Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the National Commission for SCs

Fourth Meeting of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC) was held at 3.00 PM on 27.12.2010 under the Chairmanship of Dr. P.L. Punia, Chairman in the Conference Hall of the Commission. The list of participants is as at <u>Annexure-I.</u>

2. At the outset, JS welcomed the Hon'ble Chairman and the Members. Then, the proceedings started as follows:

The Commission discussed the following agenda items:-

Agenda Item No.1: Representation of Smt. Bakul Mandal W/O Shri Arup Kumar Mandal, Kolkata for reinstatement of her husband into service in the Indian Oil Corporation.

The case of Arup Kumar Mandal, Kolkata for reinstatement of his service in the Indian Oil Corporation was discussed in the Commissions meeting and it was notice by the Commission that Shri Mandal applied for VRS in 2003 and got all the retirement benefits. The Commission therefore found that there is no substance in this case for reinstatement of service back into the IOCL. (Action SSW)

Agenda Item No.2: Representation of Shri Joginder Singh, New Delhi with regard to denial of promotion to the post of Inspector of post in the year 2004.

The case of Shri Joginder Singh, Deptt. of Posts, New Delhi with regard to denial of promotion to the post of Inspector of posts was discussed and the Commission observed that the case of Shri Joginder Singh was taken up with the Deptt. of Posts. Deptt. of Posts has intimated that the promotion matter of the petitioner was also considered in consultation with the DoP&T and who subsequently advised that the Deptt. of Posts may process the matter in terms of the instruction contained in the DoP&T OM dated 1.1.1998. The Commission advised to obtain complete details of the Supreme Court case of IOB and DoPTs OMs on the subjects based on which the OM was issued. After getting these details, legal expert's view may be obtained and submitted for discussion by the Commission. (Action SSW)

Agenda Item No.3: Tax Concession for SC/ST/Minorities

The issue was discussed in detail however, the Commission did not find the proposal to extend concession in taxes to SCs. (**No action**)

Agenda Item No.4: Constitution of Experts Committees

Hon'ble Chairman observed that the Committees on various issues may be finalized quickly. He viewed that the information about good NGOs working for the welfare of the SCs may be collected and they may also be associated with the committees for their valuable contribution. He directed that proper Bio-data of experts in the matter of SCs may be obtained and circulated to Members for including them in the committees to be formed on various subjects. He advised to engage Shri Dhara Puri, IPS (Retd), as expert. From U.P. Hon'ble Chairman suggested some changes in the nomenclature of some of the committees decided earlier. Accordingly, the following committees have been finalized.

- 1. Committee on atrocities on SCs in place of Committee on Human Rights.
- 2. Committee on the effective utilization of funds under the SCP & SCSP in place of committee on economic development. In place of committee on economic development.
- 3. Committee on residential school and hostels for SCs students.
- 4. Committee on allotment of land/Pattas to SCs under 20-point Programme.
- 5. Committee on reservation in judiciary.
- 6. Committee on strengthening of NCSC's functioning.
- 7. Committee on Employment and Reservation.
- 8. Committee on improvement of plight of Sweepers Community-Abolition of Manual Scavengers.

One officer from the Commission may be included in the each committee who will act as the Member Secretary. (Action: C.Cell)

The Hon'ble Chairman perused the provisions in the rules of procedure where the NCSC can not intervene in cases pending a Court of law. He observed that a comprehensive proposal making out a case where the NCSC can interfere in subjudice matter may be brought out after consulting the legal exports in this matter.(Action:C.Cell)

Agenda Item No.6: Any other items with the permission of the chair.

1. A letter to be sent to Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment for fixing up an appointment with the Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment for a meeting of the Full Commission wherein the pending issues may also be forwarded in advance so that a fruitful discussion may be held with the Hon'ble Minister. (Action: C.Cell)

2. Hon'ble Chairman desired that the State Review of Tamil Nadu may be conducted on 31.01.2011 and 01.02.2011. (Action: C.Cell)

3. Issues of modernization, computerization and re-launch of the Commission's web-site may be discussed in the Commission's meeting only through an agenda. (Action: C.Cell)

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

THIRD MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED CASTES HELD AT 3.00 PM ON 2712.2010 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE COMMISSION.

PRESENCE OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

S.NO. NAME & DESIGNATION

- 1. Dr. P.L. Punia, Chairman
- 2. Shri Raju Parmar, Member
- 3. Shri M. Shivanna, Member
- 4. Smt. Latha Priyakumar, Member

Shri T.Theethan, Joint Secretary

Officers

- 1. Shri Dhruv Kumar, Director
- 2. Shri S.Kesava Iyer, Deputy Secretary
- 3. Shri S.N. Meena, Under Secretary
- 4. Shri Lokhan Marandi, Under Secretary