

MINUTES OF 30th MEETING OF NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED CASTES (NCSC) HELD ON 22.1.2013 at 12.00 NOON.

30th Meeting of the National Commission for SCs (NCSC) was held on 22.01.2013 at 12.00 Noon under Chairmanship of Dr. P. L. Punia, Chairman, NCSC in his office. List of participants is at **Annexure 1**.

2. After deliberations following decisions were taken:

2.1 Agenda No. 30.1: Confirmation of minutes of 29th meeting of the Commission held on 3.12.2012.

Decision: Minutes of the 29th Meeting held on 3.12.2012 were confirmed.

2.2 Agenda No. 30.2: Action taken on minutes of 29th meeting of the Commission.

Decision: Action taken reports were noted.

2.3 Agenda No. 30.3: The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2012 (Amendment of Article 25) by Dr. Rattan Singh Ajnala, MP.

Decision: Comments sent to MHA.

2.4 Agenda No.30.4: Access to justice by SC life convicts, under trial prisoners and juveniles.

Decision: APCR will send the format. **(Action: APCR)**

2.5 Agenda No. 30.5: NCSC comments on the Memorandum for Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) for revision of the schemes of Special Central Assistance (SCA) to Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan (SCSP).

Decision: To follow-up for report from DoSJE and put up after analysis of the same. **(Action: ESDW)**

2.6 Agenda No. 30.6: Inclusion of Peruvannan as synonym of Mannan, Pathiyan, Perumannan, Vannan, Vela (Sl. No. 37) in the list of Scheduled Castes of Kerala State.

Decision: A final view by NCSC would be taken after holding public hearing in the concerned States on matter relating to inclusion/exclusion of Scheduled Castes. **(Action: SSW)**

Kozhikode, Wayanand and Kasaragod)" in the list of Scheduled Castes of Kerala.

Decision: To follow up as per 27th meeting of the Commission with State Office NCSC Thiruvananthapuram for their comments and also for public hearing in Kerala. **(Action: SSW)**

2.7 Agenda No.30.7: State Level Review Meeting of Kerala.

Decision: It has been approved for State Level Review Meeting of Kerala for 18-19th February, 2013. Public hearing for inclusion / exclusion of castes would be held on 18.2.2013 in the morning. Meetings with MPs / MLAs and SCs Associations on 18.2.2013 in Kerala at afternoon. Followed by this on 19.2.2013 State Level Review Meeting by the Full Commission in Thiruvananthapuram. This has since been postponed and new dates are to be fixed afresh. **(Action Co-ordination)**

2.8 Agenda No.30.8: Action on recommendation / suggestions of the Standing Committee on Social Justice & Empowerment in its Twenty Eighth Report on "The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Orders (Amendment) Bill, 2012".

Decision: In continuation of the Action Taken of the decision of the 29th meeting, it was informed that relevant procedure has been laid down and hearing has been done and communication from DoSJE has been responded to.

2.9 Inclusion / Exclusion of caste of Bihar State.

Decision: There was a representation from the petitioner for non-exclusion. However, hearing has been done by NCSC. The Commission should get report from State Government and RGCCI and place it in NCSC meeting, thereafter. **(Action: SSW)**

2.10 Ensuring that CMIS and new website are fully operational. (Action: C.Cell)

Action Status: (1) Website is ready for launch. It will be inaugurated by Hon'ble Chairman Dr. P.L. Punia, NCSC as soon as possible. **(Action: Consultant)**

(2) CMIS- Necessary steps may be taken for making it fully operational at the earliest.

2.11 Any other items with the permission of the chair.

2.11.1: In every NCSC meeting, following items / matters should form Agenda for discussion.

- i) Sub Committee Reports submission and finalization of;
- ii) Case of fake caste certificates and action thereon;
- iii) Operation (a) Toll Free No; and (b) CMIS.
- iv) Office - space augmentation including provision of 2/3 Court Room like facilities;
- v) Pending legal / statutory amendments; and
- vi) Completion of state Review minutes in a booklet and Annual Reports.

2.11.2 Ministry-wise profile (including status of SCSP implementation) should be prepared in 2 pages including major policy initiative for SC benefits that can be taken up (For example: In case of Mo P&NG, provisions for SCs in allocation of Coco Pumps, LPG outlets in rural and urban areas) (**Action: ESDW**).

2.11.3 Similarly State - wise profile should be prepared in 2/3 pages covering ;

- i) 1 page on status of educational, SCSP and other important parameters, including demographic features;
- ii) 2nd page for atrocities and reservation (A suggested format is annexed. **Annexure 2**)

2.11.4 Placing Uttarakhand State under jurisdiction of NCSC State Office, Chandigarh. (Lucknow office would handle UP only).

Decision: Order/OM may be issued authorizing Chandigarh NCSC State Office to have jurisdiction over Uttarakhand State. (**Action: Admn.**)

2.11.5 The matter relating to de-reservation of Staff Nurse Post reserved for Scheduled Castes in Lady Harding Medical College was posed by Hon'ble Member Smt. Latha Priyakumar.

Decision: Full facts of the case may be obtained and put up. (**Action: SSW**)

2.11.6 NCSC Annual Reports.

Decision: DoSJE is preparing Action Taken Report for placing it in Parliament. Work should commence on preparation of NCSC Annual Report for 2012-13.

2.11.7 All Sections to keep a record of phones attended through Toll Free Number and send monthly progress report to Admn. (**Action: APCR / ESDW /SSW**)

2.11.8 Facilitation Centre should daily bring dak from the Box placed at the Gate No.2 of Loknayak Bhavan. One person from Facilitation Centre should assist in collection of Dak. **(Action: Admn.)**

2.11.9 Proposal may be sent to IFD, DoSJE for giving to Members of the NCSC as a lump sum amount of Rs.30,000/- per month per person for all expenditure relating to their official traveling expenditure instead of office vehicles. The Staff Car drivers will work with the Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Members. This stand may be justified keeping in view existing rules and high expenditure on staff cars otherwise. **(Action: Genl. Admn.)**

2.11.10 Monthly / Quarterly (at least once in 2 months) review meeting with State Offices by Secretary, NCSC. Secretary may hold quarterly (or once in 2 months) meetings of all State Officers to review performance of NCSC State Offices. Whenever the meeting is held in Hqrs., Hon'ble Chairman / Vice- Chairman / Members may also address the State Directors / Officers.

In this meeting position with regard to atrocities, SCSP and pending cases should be discussed. Also important happenings in various States relating to SCs within the ambit of State Offices of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes.

State Offices of the NCSC must bring to notice important happenings / issues and atrocity cases relating to concerned jurisdictional area for information of NCSC Hqrs. They should also take immediate action on important cases under intimation to NCSC. A monthly progress report on this should also be sent to Head Office as well.

2.11.11 In every district there should be fast track courts for atrocity cases with fixed time frame for disposal. In case there is willful neglect of duty as required to be performed by a public servant, action should be taken under Section 4 of POA Act.

2.11.12 Commission's achievement and good work done should be highlighted in NCSC website and other networking websites.

2.11.13 Hon'ble Chairman, Members Shri Raju Parmar and Shri M. Shivanna expressed displeasure at non-attending to duties by Shri A. Sathyanarayana, Assistant Director, NCSC State Office at Ahmedabad. He has been frequently on leave. Secretary should check into this. **(Action: Admn.)**

2.11.14 A proposal for national level conference at Vigyan Bhavan may be planned at the level of Chief Secretaries, Home Secretaries, DGPs and Principal Secretaries, Social Justice of all the States. **(Action: APCR)**

Meeting ended with vote of Thanks to the Chair.

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PRESENCE OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

S.NO. NAME & DESIGNATION

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

Officers

1. Dr. Shyam Agarwal, Secretary
2. Shri Jagjit Singh, Addl. PS to Chairman
3. Smt. R. Lakshmi, Assistant Director

