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**ST & SC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

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No. 28720 /SSD Dated Bhubaneswar the 26th August, 2013  
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From:

Sri Ramesh Chandra sai OAS(S),  
Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare

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All Members,  
Scheduled Caste Welfare Advisory Board  
(As per List)

Sub: **Proceedings of the meeting of Scheduled Caste Welfare Advisory Board to be held on 02.08.2013 at 11.30 A.M. in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Hall of Odisha Secretariat Building .**

Sir,

I am directed to send here the copy of the Proceedings of the meeting of Scheduled Caste Welfare Advisory Board to be held on 02.08.2013 at 11.30 A.M. in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Hall of Odisha Secretariat Building for kind information.

They are, therefore, requested to kindly send their suggestions/ comments/recommendations, if any on the aforesaid proceedings to this Department at an early date for needful action at this end.

Yours faithfully

Memo No. 28721 / SSD Dt. 26/08/13 Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare

Copy along with copy of the proceedings of SC welfare Advisory Board meeting held on 02.08.2013 forwarded to the P.S. to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Odisha/ P.S. to Hon'ble Minister, ST & SC Dev. Minorities and Backward Classes Welfare/ OSD to Chief Secretary, Odisha/ Sr. P.S. to Development Commissioner-cum-ACS, Odisha/P.S. to Agriculture Production Commissioner/P.S. to Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt., ST & SC Dev. Deptt. for kind information of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Odisha/ Hon'ble Minister, ST & SC Dev. Minorities and Backward Classes Welfare.//Chief Secretary, Odisha/ Development Commissioner-cum-ACS, Odisha/ Agriculture Production Commissioner/ Commissioner-cum- Secretary to Govt., ST & SC Dev. Deptt.

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They are requested to furnish compliance /Action Taken Report on the pointes of the proceedings of the meeting related to them to this Deptt. at an early date for preparation of Action Taken Report for the next meeting of the Board.

Memo No. 28723 / SSD Dt. 26/08/13 Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare

Copy along with copy of the proceedings of SC welfare Advisory Board meeting held on 02.08.2013 forwarded to All Collectors/All DWOs/All RDCs/All Brach Officers of ST & SC Dev. Deptt./ /All Under Secretaries/ All Special Officers/ Welfare Officer (Hqrs.)/Section Officer, Building Section/Post Matric Section/Pre-Matric Section,Education I & II Sections/SCP Section/PCR Section of ST & SC Dev.Deptt. for information and necessary action.

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Director, ~~Scheduled~~ Castes Welfare

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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE SCHEDULED CASTES WELFARE  
ADVISORY BOARD HELD ON DT. 02.08.2012 AT 11.30 AM IN THE 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR  
CONFERENCE HALL OF SECRETARIAT BUILDING, BHUBANESWAR.**

The Meeting of the Scheduled Castes Welfare Advisory Board was held on Dt. 02.08.2012 at 11.30 AM in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Hall of Secretariat Building, Bhubaneswar under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Odisha. The list of members and other participants present in the meeting is at Annexure - I

At the outset, Hon'ble Chief Minister welcomed all Members, Officers and others present in the meeting and highlighted the welfare and protective measures taken up by the Govt. of Odisha.

After detailed discussion & deliberation by the Members the following decision were taken:-

**Item No. 1 Confirmation of the Proceedings of the last Meeting Held on 25.8.2012**

The Proceedings of the last meeting was confirmed.

**Item No. 2 Action Taken on the Proceedings of the last Meeting Held on 25.8.2012**

The Commissioner- cum – Secretary shared all the actions taken up on the proposals made in the last meeting. The item wise action taken up is as follows:

- i. The draft amendment of the ORV Act is pending with the Select Committee of the Odisha Legislative Assembly.
- ii. DG of Police stated that expeditious steps have been taken to complete the investigations of all PCR and POA Act cases and accordingly all concerned have been intimated for timely accomplishment of the tasks.
- iii. Being the Nodal Deptt. H&U Deptt. has issued instructions vide letter No. 10604 dt. 13.3.2013 for survey and identification of manual scavenger in a time bound manner.
- iv. GOI have been requested vide letter No. 647 Dt. 5.1.2013 for inclusion of pending proposals of 22 cases in the SC list of Odisha.
- v. The broad based studies on 03 communities namely Kumbhar, Mahara, Girigiria,, along with the broad based studies on 02 communities i.e. Radhi / Niari and Ghani as per Item No. 9 regarding their inclusion in SC list of Odisha has been completed. Since Girigiria, Radhi / Niari and Ghani are related communities and Kumbhar and Mahara are different communities, all these cases were presented by Director, SCSTRTI separately after Agenda Item. No. 6.

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- vi. Secretary, Panchayati Raj Deptt. reported that the Collector, Bhadrak has sanctioned additional allotment for the construction of the market Building at Bhadrak District.
  - vii. State Government has to enhance the reservation for admission of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes students in Medical, Engineering colleges and Technical/Professional institutions from 20 to 38%. As per the advice of Law Department necessary enactment will be made by Legislation. As SCs comprise 16.25% and STs constitute 22.5% of the State's population, the Government would bring a legislation to raise the reservation quota for them to 38 %.

### **Item No. 3. (1),(2) &(3) Review of PCR and POA Acts**

The same as mentioned at 2. ii) above. As reported by IG/DG Police, not a single case against PCR and POA Acts relating to untouchability against the SC people has been charge-sheeted for the period from 2011-12 to 2012-13. Similarly, out of 371 cases filed in the court, the trial of not a single case in the court has been completed during the same period.

As regards to the cases registered under POA Act relating to SC Category by the Police from 2011 to 2013, large number of cases pending investigation with police at the end of the year and cases disposal and conviction under POA Act relating to atrocity against SC Category by the Courts of Odisha from 2011 to 2013 is abysmally low.

### **3.4 Review of District Level Vigilance & Monitoring Committee (Rule-17 of POA Rules, 1995)**

The District Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committees as required under Rule-17 of SCs & STs (PoA) Rules, 1995 have been constituted in all the 30 districts in the State. Meetings of District Level Committees should be held in each quarter to review incidence of atrocities and implementation of the provisions of the Act and the proceedings of the said meetings from the Districts need be sent to the State Govt. regularly.

### **3.5 Setting up of Special Courts under SCs & STs (POA) ACT, 1989**

Hon'ble High Court, Odisha has approved for establishment of 3 exclusive Special Courts at Balasore, Bolangir, and Cuttack to expedite the disposal of Atrocity cases. The concerned Collectors of the districts have been directed to expedite the identification and providing alternative land for the court building. Rs.6.00 crores have been earmarked for establishment of the Special courts. Home Dept. vide Memo No. 23715 Dt. 29.6.2013 intimated the sanction of 36 posts of Group C and Group D posts for opening of the above 3 Special Courts. However, notification for opening of the 3 Special Courts has been issued by Home Deptt. vide No.128139/Home Dt.31.07.2013.

### 3.6 Legal Aid & Legal Aid Cells

For extending free legal aid to the SC/ST people, 390 Legal Aid Cells at block, subdivision and district level have been decided to be opened. Out of these, as many as 298 Legal Aid Cells at Block, Sub-Division & District level has been made operational. One day video conferencing on 18.10.2012 was organized by ST & SC Dev. Deptt. in the State NIC center for imparting training to the retainers engaged in the Legal Aid Cells.

The Board advised the State Government to take immediate steps for early operational of the remaining Legal Aid Cells.

### 3.7 Wide publicity for getting monetary relief & cash -incentive

The house was apprised regarding release of Compensation/Monetary Relief to the victims of atrocity for an amount of Rs.279.15 lakhs to 1266-SC victims of atrocities during the year 2012-13 and an amount of Rs. 165.26 lakhs to 572 SC & ST victims of atrocities during 2013-14 as per provisions under section-124 of SCs & STs (POA) Act.

### 3.8 Inter-caste Marriages

During the 2012-13 an amount of Rs.279.77 lakhs has been released towards payment of cash incentive to 582 inter-caste married couples with a view to curb the practice of social discrimination. During 2013-14, an amount of Rs.207.87 lakhs has been released for payment of incentive to 421 inter-caste married couple.

### 3.9 Traveling Expenses, Daily Maintenance Expenses & Diet Expenses for the witnesses, victims of atrocities under Section 21(2)(ii) of the Act)

The Diet Expenses from Rs.20/- to Rs.100/- & Daily Maintenance Expenses from Rs.50/-to Rs.200/- have been revised in ST & SC Dev. Deptt. Resolution No.9824 Dt. 28.02. 2013 for payment to the witnesses and victims for adducing their evidence in the trial court as well as at the time of investigation of cases under the Act. For this purpose of funds of Rs.20.00 lakhs have been released to 20 Districts @ Rs. 1.00 lakh during the year 2012-13.

### 3.10 Implementation of 38 percent reservation for SC & ST students in Engineering, Medical Colleges etc

Approval of Govt. has been taken in principle for implementation of 38 percent reservation for SC & ST students for admission in Engineering, Medical Colleges, Technical/ Professional Colleges of the State. As per advice of Law Department necessary enactment will be made to implement such provision.

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### **3.11 Public Awareness generation through hoardings**

For eradication of untouchability and prevention of atrocities, the State Govt. has prepared a 'Strategy Plan on Elimination of untouchability'. For this purpose funds have been provided and interventions are under implementation during the year, 2013-14 through the State Level SCST Research & Training Institute, Bhubaneswar.

SCSTRTI with the support of NGOs, different TV channels, All India Radio and other localized broadcasters have taken up massive awareness programme on eradication of untouchability and prevention of atrocities and relief and rehabilitation of the atrocity victims.

### **3.12 Setting up of Sanjog Help Line**

The ST & SC Development Department has joined with R.D. Deptt., P.R. Deptt. & I.T. Deptt for Sanjog Help Line. The Help Line No. 155335 is maintained by OCAC under public awareness generation Programme for redressal of grievances relating to various schemes of Government Departments. Now the Help Line is available 24 hours for receiving complaints of SC & ST victims. Funds has been provided for wide publicity of the above help line through T.V. scroll, Radio Jingle and Print media circulation.

### **3.13 Setting up of SC/ST Protection Cell**

Home Deptt has set up separate Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Protection Cell in separate entity under the Charge of an Inspector General of Police, in the Police State Headquarters at Cuttack in terms of Rule-8 of the SCs & STs (POA) Rules, 1995.

### **Item No. 4 Rehabilitation of Identified Manual Scavenger**

The Nodal Deptt. H&U Deptt., Odisha has been requested to conduct a time-bound fresh survey to ascertain if any manual scavengers existed in urban areas and if so, take for their rehabilitation in alternative viable occupation.

Sri Arjun Ch, Sethi, Hon'ble MP Bhadrak was of the opinion a firm time line may be fixed for completion of the survey/ rehabilitation.

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**Item No. 5 Construction of SC Hostel in districts having more SC population**

Out of 155 SC girls' hostels sanctioned under Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojana, 135 hostels were completed and the rest 15 nos are expected to be completed soon. Besides, out of the State Govt.'s own fund, 55 new hostels, @ of 5 hostels in each district with 100-bed each, for SC students will be constructed in 10 coastal districts and Subarnapur.

The construction of hostel at Andapur college be completed and money will be provided for repair of the old hostel building of the college. The Chief Secretary asked to provide the list of such incomplete hostels for which funds are to be provided.

**Item No.6. OSFDC Activities**

**6.1 Skill Development Training**

Skill development training provided to 3647 Scheduled Caste youths at a cost of Rs. 349.35 lakhs by OSFDC and to 7500 persons through Employment Mission during 2012-13.

Question was raised regarding monitoring of post-training employability. A task force may look into the output of post-training employability of PLET programmes for the years 2011-12 and 2012-13. The House suggested that adequate finance should be provided to the SC people for the post training employment to open the avenues.

One Time Settlement Policy-2012 of Odisha Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Development Finance Co-Operative Corporation Ltd. (OSFDC) & Odisha Backward Classes Finance & Development Co-operative Corporation Ltd.(OBCFDC) has been adopted in ST & SC Dev. Deptt. Resolution No.22040 Dt.11.7.2012. As on 16.7.2013 an amount of Rs.53,57,082/- has been collected out of which Rs.48,86,082/-towards repayment of loan and Rs.4,71,000/- towards application fees.

**Broad Based Ethnic Status Studies on 05 Communities – Kumbhar, Mahara, Girigiria,, Radhi / Niari and Ghani**

Director, SCSTRTI appraised the House on the findings of the broad based studies on 05 communities ie, Kumbhar, Mahara, Girigiria, Radhi / Niari and Ghani. After discussion the following was decided

All cases for inclusion of Girigiria, Radhi / Niari and Ghani who claim themselves to be sections/sub-castes of the notified SC community Keuta, Kaibarta, Dhibar having the same social status as well as marital relationship among themselves was referred to the Sub-Committee to be headed by Hon'ble Minister, ST & SC Development and further action will be taken after the receipt of the recommendations of the Sub-Committee. Similar decisions were taken for Kumbhar/ Kumbhara & for Mahara/ Mahra/ Mohara.

**Item No.7. Proposals of Sri Jogendra Behera,Honable,Ex.MLA & Member:-**

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**7.2. Leasing of 57 fishery sources known as Sahara Penth Machhadia Sairat of Kendrapada & Jagatsinghpur district**

The matter is subjudice. Hence no decision was taken.

**7.3. Prohibition of fishing by applying chemical and blasting in river Mahanadi flowing by the side of Boudh district.**

At Sonpur and Boudh application of chemical and blasting by the industries should be banned. There should be proper vigil by police & Fisheries Deptt. to prevent unauthorised blasting. This also leads to loss of State revenue. Hon'ble MLA, Biramaharajpur said. Other castes people also involved in fishing in Paradeep and other areas.

In the ensuing Amendment of ORV Act the reservation provision for contractual, appointments should be inserted.

**ItemNo.8. Proposal of Sri Arjun Chran Sethi, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha)**

Construction of an Adivasi Hostel at Belada Village in Bonth Block of Bhadrak District in the State may be made to help the sparsely distributed Adivasi population.

**ItemNo.9. Proposal of Sri Duryodhan Gardia, Hon'ble MLA,Rengali**

9.1. The case of "PAB" of Western Odisha has been recommended for inclusion in the ST list as a new entry as "PABA" vide Letter No. 31884, dt.30.12.85 followed by reminders in Letter Nos. 19919 dt.29.05.09 &.22620 dt.17.07.12. This proposal has been rejected by GOI vide letter No.12026/8/ 2006-C&LM dt.13.02.13.

9.2. The case of 'Beta', of Western Odisha has been recommended for inclusion in the SC list at Sl. 91 as synonym of the notified SC community 'Turi' vide Letter No. 21793, dt. 19.07.88.

**Item No.10 Post-Matric Scholarship**

As announced by Hon'ble chief Minister, the Government has decided to enhance the Post-Matric Scholarship to Rs.1,000/- per month for ST/SC boarders of all the three categories i.e.Group-2,3&4.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Hon'ble Chairman, members and all the participants.

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**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED THE SCHEDULED CASTES WELFARE  
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 02.08.2013 at 11.30 A.M. IN THE 3RD  
FLOOR CONFERENCE HALL OF SECRETARIAT BUILDING**

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Sl.No.	Name & Designation
1.	Sri Naveen Pattnaik Hon'ble Chief Minister & Chairman
2.	Sri Lal Bihari Himirika Hon'ble Minister, ST & SC Dev.
3.	Sri Arjun Sethi, Hon'ble M.P. Bhadrak
4.	Smt. Snehagni Chhuria, Ex-Chairperson, Bheden
5.	Sri Bibhu Prasad Tarai, Hon'ble M.P., Jagatsinghpur
6.	Sri Bishnu Prasad Das, M.L.A., Jagatsinghpur
7.	Sri Padmanabha Behera, Hon'ble MLA. Birmaharajpur
8.	Sri Raghuram Padal. Hon'ble MLA, Koraput
9.	Dr. Sipra Mallick, Hon'ble MLA Kendrapara
10.	Sri Purna Ch, Sethi, Hon'ble MLA. Khalikole
11.	Sri Kasinath Mallik, Hon'ble MLA Daspalla
12.	Sri Durvodhan Gardia, Hon'ble MLA, Rengali
13.	Sri Bhagirathi Sethy, Hon'ble MLA. Anandapur
14.	Sri Surendra Prasad Pramanik, Hon'ble MLA, Soro
15.	Dr. Prarnod Kumar Mallick, Hon'ble MLA, Niali
16.	Sri Mahesh Sahoo, Hon'ble Ex-MLA, Talcher
17.	Sri Jogendra Behera, Hon'ble Ex-MLA, Tiliagarh
18.	Sri Jugal Kishore Pattnaik, IAS Chief Secretary, Odisha
19.	Sri I. Srinivas, IAS Development Commissioner-cum-ACS
20.	Sri Vipin Saxena, IAS Principal Secretary, Home Deptt.
21.	Sri Tara Dutt, IAS, ACS, Revenue & D.M. Deptt.
22.	Sri Prakash Mishra D.G. & I.G. of Police, Odisha, Cuttack.
23.	Sri Jayadeep Nayak, IPS, I.G. of Police, SC&ST Protection Cell, Odisha, Cuttack
24.	Sri Santosh Kumar Sarangi. IAS, Commissioner-cum-Secy, ST & SC Dev. Deptt.
25.	Sri Bishnu Pada SelhY, IAS Secretary, Co-Operation Deptt.
26.	Sri C.S. Kumar, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, E&TE&T Deptt.
27.	Sri Lalit Das Spl. Secy., Home Deptt.
28.	Sri Sashikant Mishra, Member Secretary, OSLSA, Odisha, Cuttack
29.	Sri Sarat Ch. Nayak, Additional Secy., Industries Deptt.
30.	Sri. D.K. Singh, IAS, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, P.R. Deptt.
31.	Sri Sanjeeb Mishra, Secretary, F & ARD Deptt.
32.	Sri P.K. Mohan, Director, Fisheries
33.	Dr.(Prof.) A.B. Ota, IAS, Director(ST)-cum-Addl. Secy., ST & SC Dev. Deptt.
34.	Sri P. Dandasana, F.A.-cum-Joint Secy.
35.	Sri L.N. Mishra, Collector, Bhadrak
36.	Sri D.R. Das, P.D., DRDA, Bhadrak
37.	Sri B.K. Rath, D.W.O., Bhadrak
38.	Sri S.N. Day, Director, P.R. Deptt.

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