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Minutes of the District Level Review Meeting conducted by Shri Vada palli Ramchander, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Castes, New Delhi on 07.11.2024 at 1200 Noon for Chenagalpattu District

The District Level Review Meeting was conducted by the Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Castes on 07.11.2024 with the District Higher Officials. Shri V Kranthi, PS to Hon'ble Member, NCSC, New Delhi, Dr. S. Ravivarman, Director, Shri N. Suresh, Research Officer, Shri S. Lister, Senior Investigator, National Commission for Scheduled Castes, State Office, Chennai participated in the meeting. Shri S.Arunraj LA.S. District Collector Chenagalpattu, Shri V.V.Sai Praneeth. I.P.S. District Superintendent of Police, Chenagalpattu and other higher officials attended the meeting. The District Collector, Chengalpattu Welcomed the Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Castes, New Delhi and other Officials.

The District Collector explained various activities and welfare schemes are being implemented in the district for the SCs / STs. The District Collector explained further that the number of students availed pre-matric scholarship schemes in Schools at Chengalpattu District. The Hon'ble Member instructed to furnish report on the pending sanction of scholarship till now.

1. Education Department

The Hon'ble Member inquired regarding the Post Matric Scholarship for SC / ST students in the academic year 2023-2024. The total number of applications received from SC students were 29799 and among them 29429 applications were sanctioned. It was questioned as to why the remaining 370 students did not receive their scholarships.

The CEO and DADW Officer stated that as the 370 students did not meet their eligibility of the requirement of the annual income of the parents to be less than Rs.2,50,000/-.

2. Revenu e Department

The Director NCSC, SO, Chennai raised that five SC families who have been cultivating in the land which is situated in Perubakkam, Tambaram for the past 8 decades. The neighbour-bood lands were issued with land pattas to the Non-SCs by the revenue department. Despite RI and Tahsildar recommended for issuance of patta to SCs, they were denied patta and all of a suciden, the SCs were forcibly evicted with the help of Police Force. Further, the Director NCSC SO Chennai instructed to conduct a fair inquiry and the SCs be issued land patta as compensating in the alternative land.

The DRO replied that the land in question is an encroachment of Govt Natham Porompokku Land, however the request of the SCs as directed by the Hon'ble Member the issue will be looked into and taken up with the Government of Tamil Nadu for assignment of alternative land in the district. The Hon'ble Member resented that if the SCs were not compensated suitable alternative land, the authorities will be summoned to New Delhi to deal the case.

3. MGNREGS

APO explained about that implementation of MGNREGS scheme in the district during the from the Financial Year 2021-22 to 2024-25. The Hon'ble Member advised the APO to help the needy SCs and covering more number of SCs through MGNREGS scheme.

4. Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Scheme

The Hon'ble Member recommended the district administration to monitor the distributors to implement the scheme to the SC beneficiaries. The district administration was advised to advertise the scheme through banners, pamphlets, print and visual media in order to reach the target group. The District Collector has to conduct meetings periodically to review the scheme,

5. Lead District Manager

The Hon'ble Member Questioned about the beneficiaries on MSME, PMFME, Annal Ambedkar Scheme and instructed the bank officials to increase the SC Beneficiaries for above schemes and ensure the upliftment of their livelihood through the Schemes. Further the Hon'ble Member directed to submit the list of business covered under CGTMSE to the commission and asked about whether all the banks are supporting the scheme.

6. TAHDCO

The District Manger stated that Educational Loan was sanctioned to one student during 2023-24 and three students were sanctioned during 2024-25. Further informed that applications are being accepted from the students through offline mode and the same would be forwarded to District Head Office and the applications would be forwarded to Head Quarters of New Delhi for final sanction.

7. EXCISE DEPARTMENT

The Hon'ble Member enquired with Assistant Commissioner of Excise is there any illicit liquor in the Chengalpattu District. The District Collector stated that illicit liquor issue was traced out in Guruvanmedu Panchayat and the moonshiners were imprisoned immediately by the Police Department.

8. AD WELFARE DEPARTMENT

The Hon'ble Member inquired on the facilities and amenities provided in the hostels. Further, the Hon'ble Member asked about the food menu provided to the inmates of the hostels.

9. POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Hon'ble Member directed the Police Officials to register FIR under SCs/STs (PoA) Act whoever SC preferred atrocity complaints without conducting preliminary enquiry. The investigation officer shall not require approval of the arrest, if necessary, of any persons. In this regard, the Hon'ble Member circulated a copy of the Cazette of India dated 17th August 2018.

Furthermore, the Hon'ble Member directed the District Administration to furnish a report on the details of Additional Rehabilitation measures extended to the atrocity victims such as disbursement of second instalment of Monitory relief. Pension, Govt. employment, House site patta, Agriculture land, Free Education to the Children of the Victim.

10. MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

The Hon'ble Member enquired on the reservation of awarding contracts to SC/ST contractors in Government work. The District Collector replied that detailed report will be furnished to the Commission after verification.

Finally, the Hon'ble Member inquired on the details of "D" cadre backlog Vacancies. The District Collector instructed the DRO and the PA(G) to provide the data to the Hon'ble Member.

The review meeting was concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by the Sub - Collector, Chengalpattu.

Actionable Points:

- The Hon'ble Member instructed to furnish report on the pending sanction of Post Metric scholarship for the students.
- The Hos ble Member directed to submit the list of business covered under CGTMSE to the commission.
- 3. The Hon'ble Member directed the District Administration to furnish a report on the details of Additional Rehabilitation measures extended to the atrocity victims such as disbursement of second instalment of monitory relief, pension, Govt. employment, House site patta, Agriculture land, Free Education to the Children of the Victim.
- The Hon'ble Member instructed to furnish a report on the reservation of awarding contracts to SC/ST contractors in Government work.
- The Hon'ble Member instructed to the District Collector to provide data on Group "D" cache backlog Vacancies.

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