National Commission for Women 4, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Marg New Delhi

No.1-6/2009-NCW (Commission Meeting)

Dated 27th August, 2010

Subject:- Meeting of the Commission held on 18.8, 2010 at 10.30 hrs. in the Conference Hall of the National Commission for Women- circulation of minutes regarding.

The minutes of the Commission Meeting held on 18.8 2010 at 10.30 hrs. in the Conference Hall of the National Commission for Women are enclosed for information and necessary action.

It is requested that action taken report, if any, on the decision taken in the above meeting may please be furnished to the undersigned at the earliest.

> Sd/-(H.C.Bharti) Coordinator

PS to CP, PS to M (YA), PS to M(WS), PS to MS, PS to JS, U.S. LO, SRO/ Consultant, PRO, PAO Coordinators (Ms. Sonali, Kanchan, Sunit Shri Bhim Singh) Shri Atul Sinha, Programmer for uploading in the NCW Website.

Minutes of the Commission Meeting held on -18.8.2010 at 10.30 hrs. in the Conference Hall of the National Commission for Women. New Delhi.

The following attended the meeting:-

1. Dr. Girija Vyas	Chairperson
2. Ms. Yasmeen Abrar	Member
3. Ms. Wansuk Syeim	Member
4. Mrs. Zohra Chatterji	Member Secretary
In attendance were:-	
1. Shri Yogesh Mehta	Law Officer
2. Shri S.C. Kaushik	SRO
3. Shri J. K. Uniyal	PAO
4. Smt T Kareena	PRO
5. Shri Jawahari Singh	SRO/Consultant
6. Shri H. C. Bharti	Coordinator

The Chairperson welcomed all the Members and Officials of the Commission.

<u>Agenda Item No.1</u> Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held On 29.06.2010.

Confirmed

<u>Agenda Item No. 2:-</u> Action Taken Reports on Commission's Meeting held on 23rd April, 1st June, and 29th June, 2010.

ATRs were noted. Regarding Item No. 11 of the Commission Meeting held on 1st June, 2010, tentative time frame for the Seminars and Conferences should be completed expeditiously. As regards Item No. 2 of other items concerning Commission Meeting held on 29th June, 2010, it was pointed out that the matter is considerably delayed and as a result Jail visits could not be undertaken. LO Assured that the Jail format will be ready within a week. Regarding finalization of Recruitment rules (Item 12 Of Commission meeting held on 29^{th} June 2010), US (Admn) was asked to finalize it at the earliest.

(Action: Legal Cell/ Admn Section)

Agenda Item No. 3. Approval of expenditure of Rs. 12,28,000/in connection with programme on launch of NRI Cell.

Approved. It was observed that the expenditure details of the programme held on 27.8.2009 have been put up now after a span of about one year. In future such inordinate delays should be avoided.

(Action: Legal cell)

Agenda Item No 4:- Approval of expenditure of Rs. 22,98,017/- in connection with programme on National Consultation on PWDV Act held on 13.11.2009 at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi.

Approved

(Action: Legal cell)

Agenda Item No.5:- Seminar at Chittorgarh- approval of expenditure of Rs. 4,30,454/-

Approved .

(Action: Legal cell)

Agenda Item No.6:- Seminar at Udaipur on PC PNDT Act.

Approved

(Action: Legal cell)

Agenda Item No.7:- Approval of MOU with Safer India and Navjyoti India Foundation.

It was decided that the draft MOU proposed be finalized by CP after seeking the comments of Mrs. Kiran Bedi, India Vision Foundation and Navjyoti India Foundation in the matter.

(Action: Legal cell)

Agenda Item No.8:- Construction of Office Complex of NCW at Jasola.

The Commission may shift to Jasola as soon as infrastructure is ready. In the mean time, a meeting with the Ministry of Women and Child Development should be held to push up our case.

(Action: Administration Section)

<u>Agenda Item No.9:-</u> National Consultation with Chairpersons and Member Secretaries of State Women Commission at New Delhi-Approval of Expenditure of Rs.11,42,009/-

Approved.

Chatty !

(Action: Research & Study Cell).

Agenda Item No. 10 :- Comprehensive Note on NRCW- to form a view regarding the proposal of MWCD.

The matter regarding closure of NRCW under NCW and it's transfer to the National Mission for Empowerment of Women was discussed at length in the meeting. It was informed that since 2005 nothing substantial has been done in NRCW after its transfer to NCW from NIPCCD and nor NCW has been provided with the resources to run it effectively. In case NCW is to run it then funds and Website are needed. It was learnt that the site was blocked as it was lying dormant for a long period and some vulnerable threats of unauthorized access was detected. MS suggested that since MWCD has asked for it to be transferred we may have no objection. However, the status of Account and transfer of funds by NIPPCD should be clarified through MWCD. Chairperson directed that NCW should improve its website by making it up to the mark by outsourcing to outside technical personnel who will do the necessary data entry including information received from State Commissions for Women within two months. It was decided to have a meeting with the MWCD to sort out the issue.

(Action NRCW Cell)

<u>Agenda item No. 11:-</u> Renovation work in NCW premisesapproval of rates regarding.

Approved. M(YA) informed that the condition of her bath room is very bad, it stinks badly. It was decided that the tiles and other installations in the bath room need to be changed/repaired.expeditiously.

(Action: Administration Section)

Agenda Item No. 12:- Creation of Audio and Video spots and audio jingle costing Rs. 5,30,000

Approved as per DAVP rates.

(Action: Public Relation Cell)

<u>Agenda Item No. 13:-</u> Approval of Advertising proposal for Mass Awareness Campaign of NCW on UFO Digital Cinema as received from UFO in May, 2010.

Approved as per DAVP rates.

(Action: Public Relation Cell)

<u>Agenda Item No.14:-</u> Views of the Commission pertaining to EFC Memorandum on the Scheme "Financial Assistance and Support Services to Victims of Rape; A Scheme for Restorative Justice."

The scheme has been included in 11th five year plan. It was discussed in depth in the meeting and found that there are several divergences from the proposal sent by NCW. It was decided that a letter should be written to MWCD with copies to Prime Minister of India for handling the entire scheme by the NCW.

(Action: legal cell)

<u>Agenda Item No 15;-</u> Final Payment of CPF to Chairperson and Members.

Noted.

Chatty :

(Action: Accounts Section)

Agenda Item No. 16:- To reconsider the limit of overtime hours from 40 hour to 100 hours to the staff car drivers of the Commission.

The issue of enhancement of OTA from 40 hours to 100 hours to the staff cars drivers of the Commission was discussed in view of the representations received from them stating that they perform the duties beyond office hours and even on Sundays. It was decided that the limit of overtime could be increased to 70 hours per month based on the recommendations of the Supervising Officer. The position will be reviewed after three months. The OTA of drivers and clerks should be at par. There is need for regular monitoring of the performance of drivers before any further increase is considered. This is an administrative matter and need not be brought up before the Commission for decision.

(Action: Administration Section)

Agenda Item No. 17 :- Other items.

1. Members pointed out that they are not provided sufficient advance information about the programmes being at various places and they come to know of it only through agenda items. It was decided that advance information about organizing the programmes will be given to the Members by the concerned sections.

(Ation: LegalCell/ Research & Study Cell/ PRO)

2. Member (YA) pointed out that the problem of car has not been solved so far despite decisions taken in earlier Commission Meeting. It was informed that the orders for purchase of cars have already been placed and spayment made. They are expected to reach here by 23rd of this month.

(Action: Administration Section)

3. Members objected that it has come to their knowledge that hearing and counseling of the cases is being done at the level of Coordinators and Counselors without informing Members which is not correct. Coordinators and Counselors need to be directed not to specifically conduct hearing in the absence of Members. It was agreed that Coordinators and Counselors will take up hearing and counseling only in the presence of Members. Chairperson suggested that to expedite the hearing of the cases, they could be divided among six people namely Chairperson, Two Members, Member Secretary, Joint Secretary and Law Officer, till more Members are appointed. The matter may be examined.

(Action: C&I Cell)

4. M (YA) pointed out that in many cases First Installment for organizing different programmes by the NGOs, has not been released. She desired that a list of such cases may be provided to her for checking purposes. It was informed that letters have already been issued to the NGOs to seek their acceptance for release of 1st installment. The cases of those NGOs who have sent their acceptance to the Commission are attended to on first come first serve basis.

(Action: M(YA)/ SRO)

5. Chairperson impressed upon the Members to undertake the Visits of Jails and Short Stay Homes. In this connection, names of Tihar Jail, Rohini Jaill and Jaipur Jail were suggested for visit.

Chatty

6. Chairperson directed that Review Meeting with Lawyers, Media on Dowry Act and Marriageable Age for Marriage should be organized and there after these should be followed by the Regional Seminars on the subjects.

(Action: Legal Cell)

7. It was decided that Research studies should be got conducted on the topics provided by various Govt. departments in response to the circular of NCW. A study on alleged misuse of. Section 498 A, and reported Suicide cases of families harassed by misuse of Section 498A, may also be done.

(Action :Legal Cell)

8. It was decided that Ms Soni Tandon may be appointed as Consultant for three months to frame rules and regulations pertaining to many financial matters. Another Consultant may also be hired on task- based terms for formulating new schemes for submission to the MWCD & Planning Commission.

(Action :Administration Section)

9. The case of regularization of daily wagers came up for discussion in the meeting. Law officer pointed out that the case of regularization of 13 persons was done in an unauthorized manner for which objections have come and even strictures against the then Joint Secretary have been passed. Further, those who are working as daily wagers, have not been recruited through Employment Exchange which is one of the conditions for regularization. Taking a lenient view, it was agreed upon that in order to regularize the daily wagers who are working in the Commission for the last 15 years without any break in service, there should be provision in the rules being framed for recruitment in the Commission

(Action : Administration Section)

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Chairperson

Member Secretary