GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
ST & SC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

No. 16466/SSD Dated Bhubaneswar the 14th August, 2015

PCR-40/2013

From:

Sri Ramesh Chandra Sai, OAS,
Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare

To:

All Members,
Scheduled Caste Welfare Advisory Board

Sub:
Proceedings of the meeting of Scheduled Caste Welfare Advisory Board held on 05.06.2015 at 11.30 A.M. in the 3rd 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 held on 05.06.2015 at 11.30 A.M. in the 3rd 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

Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare

Memo No. 16467 / SSD Dated 14-08-2015

Copy along with copy of the proceedings of the meeting held on 05.06.2015 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/ P.S. to Hon’ble Minister of State (Scheduled Tribes), ST & SC Dev. Minorities and Backward Classes Welfare/ P.S. to Hon’ble Minister of State (Scheduled Castes), 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/ Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt. Finance Deptt./ P.S. to Principal Secretary to Govt., Law Deptt./ P.S. to Principal Secretary to Govt., Industries Deptt./ P.S. to Principal Secretary to Govt., Health & Family Welfare, Deptt./ P.S. to Principal Secretary to Govt., Higher Education.
Deptt./ P.S. to Principal Secretary to Govt., Revenue & Disaster Management Deptt. P.S. to Principal Secretary to Govt, Home Deptt./ P.S. to Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt. ST & SC Dev. Deptt./ P.S. to Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt., E&TE&T/ P.S. to Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt., Housing & Urban Development Deptt./ P.S. to Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt., Fisheries & Animal Resources Development Deptt./ P.S. to Director (ST) & Addl. Secretary to Govt. ST & SC Dev. Deptt./ P.A. to Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare 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/ Hon'ble Minister of State (Scheduled Tribes), ST & SC Dev. Minorities and Backward Classes Welfare/ Hon'ble Minister of State (Scheduled Castes), ST & SC Dev. Minorities and Backward Classes Welfare/ Chief Secretary, Odisha/ Development Commissioner-cum-ACS, Odisha/ Agriculture Production Commissioner/ Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt., Finance Deptt./ Principal Secretary to Govt., Law Deptt./ Principal Secretary to Govt., Industries Deptt./ P.S. to Principal Secretary to Govt., Higher Education Deptt/ Principal Secretary to Govt. Health & Family Welfare. Deptt./ Principal Secretary to Govt., Revenue & Disaster Management Deptt./ Principal Secretary to Govt., Home Deptt./ Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt. ST & SC Dev. Deptt./ Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt., E&TE&T/ Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt., Housing & Urban Development Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt., Fisheries & Animal Resources Development Deptt/ Deptt Director (ST) & Addl. Secretary to Govt. ST & SC Dev. Deptt./ Addl. Secretaries to Govt. ST & SC Dev. Deptt/ Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare to Govt, ST & SC Dev. Deptt for information and necessary action.

Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare

Memo No. 16468 / SSD Dt. 14-08-2015.

Copy along with copy of the proceedings of the meeting held on 05.06.2015 forwarded to the Director General & I.G. of Police, Odisha, Cuttack/ I.G. of Police, SC/ST Protection Cell, Odisha, Cuttack/ Director, Public Prosecution, Tosali Plaza, SatyaNagar, Bhubaneswar/ Member Secretary, Odisha State Legal Service Authority, S.O-20, Cantonment Road, Cuttack-753001/ Managing Director, OSFDC Ltd., Bhubaneswar / Director, SCSTR&T, Bhubaneswar/ Director of Census Operation, Odisha, Janapath, Unit IX, Bhubaneswar-751022 / Director of Fisheries, Orissa, Cuttack/ Director, National Commission for SCs, State Office, Mayukh Bawan (Ground Floor), Kolkata, PIN-700091/ All RDCs/ All Collectors/ All DWOs/ All Sub-Collectors for information and necessary action.

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They are requested to furnish compliance/Action Taken Report on the aforesaid proceedings to this Deptt. at an early date for taking necessary action at this end.

Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare

Memo No. 16469 / SSD Dt. 14-08-2015

Copy along with copy of the proceedings of the meeting held on 05.06.2015 forwarded to All Sections (except Expenditure & Account Section/Cash Section/Issue Section/ NGO Section) for information and necessary action.

They are requested to furnish Compliance/Action Taken Report on the proceedings may please be intimated to this Deptt. for needful action at this end.

Director, Scheduled Castes Welfare
The meeting of Scheduled Castes Welfare Advisory Board was held on 05.05.2015 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister and in the presence of Hon'ble members of the Board and senior officials of the State Govt. The list of participants present in the meeting is enclosed at Annexure ‘A’.

At the outset, welcoming all the members and officials present in the meeting the Hon'ble Chief Minister and Chairman Scheduled Caste Welfare Advisory Board emphasized the commitment of the State Government towards providing economic empowerment, enhanced livelihood opportunities, education and skill development for the Scheduled Caste population of the state and solicited valued suggestions of the Hon'ble Board members for socio-economic development of the Scheduled Castes.

Thereafter, Agenda Wise presentation was made to the members by the Commissioner-cum Secretary, SSD Department. After threadbare discussion on different Agenda items, following decisions were taken:

Agenda No.1: Confirmation of the proceedings of the SC Welfare Advisory Board held on 02.08.2013.

The proceedings of the last SC Welfare Advisory Board meeting held on 02.08.2013; circulated among all concerned vide ST & SC Dev Deptt letter No. 28720/SSD dtd, 26.08.2013 was confirmed.

Agenda No.2: Discussion on Compliance Report on decisions taken in the last SC Welfare Advisory Board meeting held on 02.08.2013.

The Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in the last Scheduled Caste Welfare Advisory Board meeting held on 02.08.2013 was placed before the Board and after detailed discussion the same was approved.

Agenda No.3: Implementation of PCR & POA Acts

Inspector General of Police, ST/SC Protection Cell informed the house that in the year 2014, a total 2181 numbers of atrocity cases have been registered by Police. He emphasized that the opening of Legal Aid Cells and free legal advice provided by these cells have helped the SC/ST victims to come up for registration of atrocity cases against them. He further informed that Special efforts are being made to ensure that pendency of
investigation is reduced. The pendency now is 1737 for cases registered till 31/12/2014. In the year 2014, a total 1972 cases were closed (1533 cases registered against SCs & 439 for cases registered against STs).

Agenda No.4: Review of District Level Vigilance & Monitoring Committee (Rule 17 of POA Rules, 1995)

House was informed that the District Level Vigilance & Monitoring Committees have been constituted in all the 30 districts in the State and barring few Districts all other Districts are holding the review meeting regularly. In the meanwhile, as per the amendment of SCs & STs (POA) Amendment Rules, 2013, constitution of Sub-Divisional Vigilance & Monitoring Committee has been inserted at Rule-17 A.

It was decided to instruct all Collectors to hold the District Level Vigilance & Monitoring Committees meeting in time and ensure constitution Sub-Divisional Vigilance & Monitoring Committee and their regular meeting as per the provisions of the Act.

Agenda No.5: Relief and Rehabilitation

The board was apprised of the monetary relief being provided to the victims of atrocities belonging to SC/ST community as per the norms and scale prescribed in the scheduled annexed to Rule-12 (4) of the SCs and STs (POA) Rules, 1995.

Agenda No.6: Incentive for Inter-caste marriages

Cash incentive for inter-Caste marriage is being provided to the couple as per the prevailing norms of Rs.50,000/- w.e.f. 3.12.2007.

It was decided to submit a proposal to Finance Department to consider enhancing the incentive for Inter-caste marriage from current Rs.50,000/- to Rs. 1,00,000/- to encourage more inter-caste marriages in the State.

Agenda No.7: Odisha Scheduled Caste & Scheduled Tribe Development Finance Cooperative Corporation Ltd. (OSFDC) - waiver of high cost loan & advanced to the SC/ST beneficiaries

The house was informed that OSFDC has an outstanding loan of Rs.10.50 Crores. Due to default in loan re-payment by the borrowers, OSFDC is unable to re-pay the Loan to NSFDC and as a result NSFDC has declined to give further Loan Assistance to OSFDC. This is leading to non-financing of SC beneficiaries by OSFDC due to want of Capital.

Board was requested to consider waiving off the outstanding loan on SC beneficiaries.
It was decided that best practices followed by other states in this regard should be examined and thereafter appropriate decision should be taken by Government in this regard.

Agenda No.8: **Construction of Hostel Buildings for Scheduled Caste students**

House was informed that under the Babu Jagjeevan Ram Chhatrawas Yojana, a total 167 nos. of Hostels for SC students have been sanctioned by GoI. This apart, State Govt. have also sanctioned 55 nos. of 100 seated SC Hostels under State Plan in 2013-14.

It was decided that State Government will increase the numbers of hostels available for SC students both at the High School and College level. It was further decided that State Government will increase the number of seats available for SC students in 100 seated ST hostels without decreasing the seats available for ST students.

Agenda No.9: **Instruction to be issued not to insist for production of recent caste certificate**

In the Tribal Advisory Council meeting held on 27.07.2013, it has been decided to issue instructions not to insist upon for production of "RECENT" Caste certificate from the ST people by any authority.

Since the issue relates for both the SC & ST communities and a decision has already been taken for benefit of ST community in the earlier TAC meeting, it was decided to examine the matter by Revenue and Disaster Management Department in case of SCs.

Agenda No.10: **Proposals of Hon'ble Governor of Odisha**

Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCSP) Budget for 2014-15 should be proportionate to SC population as per the guidelines of Planning Commission

The State-plan budget provision of the Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCSP) for 14-15 had been prepared as per the guidelines of Planning Commission.

**Status of functioning of Special Courts under SCs & STs (POA) Act, 1989**

State Govt. has declared 92 District & Sessions Court and Addl. District & Sessions Court for trial of offences under the SCs & STs (POA) Act, 1989. Similarly, 3 exclusive Special Courts, one each in Cuttack, Bolangir & Balasore Districts, have been declared for speedy trial of offences under the Act. Rs.2.00 Crores has been released to each district for construction of Special Court Building
Pending issues involving welfare of SC should be expedited

Pending issues like inclusion of Caste in SC list of Odisha, Atrocity cases, Pre-Matric & Post-Matric Scholarship etc. are being attended regularly.

Agenda No.11: Proposal of Sri Raghuram Machha, Hon'ble Member

- The percentage of seats reserved for SC students in ST hostels of ST SC Residential schools must be enhanced from the current 10% to 30%.

  It was decided that State Government will increase the number of seats available for SC students in 100 seated ST hostels without decreasing the seats available for ST students.

- The percentage of SC students admitted in Eklabya Model Residential Schools must be enhanced to facilitate the SC students to get better education.

  As the Eklabya Model Residential Schools are funded under the Article 275 A of the constitution by the GoI in Ministry of Tribal Affairs, the admission guidelines, as prescribed by MoTA is followed.

- If there is no such project in our Scheduled Area in the alternative it would be necessary to ensure maintenance of Hostel specifically at Block Hqrs. by constructing 100 seated Hostels for SC students.

  State Govt. have sanctioned 55 nos. of 100 seated SC Hostels under State Plan in 2013-14 based on budget provisions. More such hostels for SC students would be taken up in future based on financial provisions in the budget.

- The landless ST peoples are provided Jungle pattas and the same facilities need be extend to landless SC peoples in rural pockets who comes under Below poverty line for their economical developments.

  SCs are also entitled for the benefits under the Forest Right Act, 2006 provided they have been in occupation of that particular piece of Forest land for 3 generations (75 years) prior to the cutoff date i.e. 13.12.2005. Till March 2015, 516 SC beneficiaries have been benefitted under the Forest Right Act, 2006 in our State.

- The Self-Help Groups formed with SC members ought to be encouraged by granted adequate Bank loan for their economical developments.

  Women Self-help Groups are being provided various support through OSFDC for their economic development.
It is also necessary to keep strict vigil on the persons who are producing SC certificates in fraudulent manner and enjoying the benefits intended for SC communities.

To deal with the fake Caste Certificate cases, State level scrutiny committee has been set up under the Chairmanship of Revenue Divisional Commissioners. Out of the 2997 Fake Caste certificate cases filed, 621 cases have been disposed off up-to March, 2015.

Whereas although there is restriction for transfer of ST lands, the banks are entertaining the SC candidates by allowing them to pledge their land records for industrial loan, but the Bank are not extending such facilities to the SC Industrialist and not entertaining their land records for pledging owing to restriction imposed under OLR Acts whereby they are deprived of Industrial loan.

This matter will be included in the agenda and taken up in the next State Level Banker's Committee meeting.

Agenda No.12 Proposal of SCSTRTI, Bhubaneswar for inclusion of caste Sualgiri/Swalgiri as synonym of Sabakhia in SC list of Odisha

Based on the recommendation of the Tribal Advisory Committee in 2005, State Government proposed to MoTA, Gol for inclusion of the Sualgiri/Swalgiri caste in ST list of the State. However, upon examining the case, Registrar General of India noted that Sualgiri/Swalgiri possess characteristics features befitting to SC status and they are really a synonym of SABAKHIA (SC). SCSTRTI has again taken up the broad based ethnic study during 2014 and found that Sualgiri/Swalgiri possess the socio-cultural characteristics of SC and are synonymous to SABAKHIA (SC).

It was decided to recommend MoSJ&E, Gol for considering Sualgiri/Swalgiri of Balasore District for inclusion in the SC list of the State at Sl. No. 79 as a synonym of SABAKHIA.


The ETE & T Deptt. has proposed for construction of Women's hostels in TSP area for SC students studying Technical Education in technical colleges / Institution.

It was decided that ETE & T Department may examine to create such infrastructure utilizing the SCSP component of their budget.
Agenda No.14: Agenda proposed by Gobinda Chandra Das Hon'ble MLA (Remuna) & Member

- Inclusion of Kalandi Kula in the list SC category –

  It was decided that SCSTRTI should be asked to conduct an empirical study on KALANDI KULA Community and submit its findings along with recommendations for placing the same before the next Welfare Advisory Board Meeting.

- Inclusion of Patra Tanti may be done in the list SC category – The second proposal in respect of PATRA TANTI made by Hon'ble Member, has been elaborated under Agenda Item 15.

Agenda No.15: Proposal by Shri Bishnu Charan Das, Hon'ble Member regarding non-deletion of PATRA TANTI (Sl. No. 76) from SC List of Odisha

The proposal of Hon'ble member in respect of PATRA TANTI was discussed.

It was decided that a proposal to MOSJE, GOI will be sent to keep the deletion proposal at abeyance till such time a broad based study is made by SCSTRTI.

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

By Order of Hon'ble CM

Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt. ST & SC Development Department
LIST OF PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED THE SCHEDULED CASTES WELFARE
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 05.06.2015 at 11.30 A.M. IN THE 3RD
FLOOR CONFERENCE HALL OF SECRETARIAT BUILDING

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