

Record Note of the Meeting of the National Commission for Minorities held on 16th October, 2019

A meeting of the National Commission for Minorities was held at 11:00 A.M. on 16th October, 2019 in the Conference Room.

The following were present:

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| (i) | Shri Syed Ghayorul Hasan Rizvi | Chairman |
| (ii) | Shri George Kurian | Vice Chairman |
| (iii) | Shri Sunil Singhi | Member |
| (iv) | Shri Khurshed K. Dastoor | Member |
| (v) | Shri Manjit Singh Rai | Member |
| (vi) | Shri Atif Rasheed | Member |

2. Ms. Sulekha Kumbhare, Member was granted leave of absence.
3. Shri Prashant Sukul, Secretary assisted the Commission.
4. In Attendance: S/Shri Daniel E. Richards, Joint Secretary, A. Sengupta and Shariq Saeed, Under Secretaries.

Agenda Item No. 1: Confirmation of the record notes of the Meeting of the Commission held on 18.09.2019.

5. Confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 2: Follow up Action on the decisions taken in the Meeting of the Commission held on 28.08.2019.

6. Noted.

Agenda Item No. 3: Tour Report of Shri Manjit Singh Rai, Member to District Hisar, Haryana on 10th August, 2019.

7. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission.

Agenda Item No. 4: Tour Report of Shri Manjit Singh Rai, Member to District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand from 12th August, 2019 to 13th August, 2019.

8. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission and it was decided to send the recommendations to all concerned. It was decided to obtain clarification from M/o Law regarding applicability of Anand Marriage Act in Uttarakhand. Further, a

communication was to be sent to Collector, Bareilly regarding saving of historical Gurudwara Sahib on NH 74, as per report of 2nd August, 2017 of Dep. Collector Sub-Division Bahedi, Bareilly, UP.

Agenda Item No. 5 : Tour Report of Shri Manjit Singh Rai, Member to District Palwal, Haryana on 3rd September, 2019.

9. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission.

Agenda Item No. 6 : Tour Report of Shri Manjit Singh Rai, Member to District Kurukshetra, Haryana on 5th September, 2019.

10. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission.

Agenda Item No. 7 : Tour Report of Shri Manjit Singh Rai, Member to District Kaithal, Haryana on 6th September, 2019.

11. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission. It was decided to write a letter to Deputy Commissioner, Kaithal to take immediate action to stop flooding of graveyard of the Muslim Community at Guhla block.

Agenda Item No. 8 : Tour Report of Shri Sunil Singhi, Member to District Hazaribagh and District Jamshedpur (East Singhbhum) Jharkhand from 11th September, 2019 to 12th September, 2019.

12. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission and it was decided to send the recommendations to all concerned. Member(SS) also informed that sports persons belonging to minority communities from Jharkhand demanded better facilities/incentives for advancement in their respective field. It was decided that Secretary will write to DG, Sports Authority of India, in this matter.

Agenda Item No. 9 : Tour Report of Shri Sunil Singhi, Member to Nagpur, Maharashtra from 14th September, 2019 to 15th September, 2019.

13. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission. M(SS) informed that there have been reports that construction of hostels for minorities are taking a long time due to shortage of funds or slow pace of PWD of States. He suggested that hostels can be run from rented accommodations to reduce the expenditure and time. MoMA can be requested to explore the feasibility of this option. Further M(SS) highlighted the

issue of need for separate veg/non-veg kitchens. It was decided to suggest this to MoMA.

Agenda Item No. 10 : Tour Report of Shri Khurshed K Dastoor, Member to Mumbai (Maharashtra), Daman & Diu and Gujarat from 30th August, 2019 to 16th September, 2019.

14. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission.

Agenda Item No.11: Tour Report of Shri Atif Rasheed, Member to District Mathura (Uttar Pradesh) on 21st September, 2019.

15. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission and it was decided to send the recommendations to all concerned.

Agenda Item No. 12: Tour Report of Shri Sunil Singhi, Member to Ajmer, Rajasthan from 25th September, 2019 to 26th September, 2019.

16. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission.

Agenda Item No. 13: Tour Report of Shri Sunil Singhi, Member to Bengaluru, Karnataka from 27th September, 2019 to 28th September, 2019.

17. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission.

Agenda Item No. 14 : Tour Report of Shri Sunil Singhi, Member to District Tapi and District Surat (Gujarat) from 30th September, 2019 to 1st October, 2019.

18. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission and it was decided to send the recommendations to all concerned.

Agenda Item No. 15 : Tour Report of Ms Sulekha Kumbhare, Member to District Firozabad, Uttar Pradesh on 26th September, 2019.

19. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission and it was decided to send the recommendations to all concerned. Secretary also informed that Interns appointed by the Commission have also submitted similar report in the matter regarding glass workers in Firozabad (Ms. P. Arora) and the need to develop the glass sector. Towards this objective another intern Mr. Vikram Sachdeva would prepare a report on modernisation of glass artifact production in December, 2019. Another intern has submitted a report on Chikan workers from Lucknow. Chairman desired that Roadmap be prepared on the basis of these inputs so that these reports are sent to

MoMA for further necessary action and mention of these studies may be made in the Annual Report.

Agenda Item No. 16 : Tour Report of Ms. Sulekha Kumbhare, Member to District Nagpur, Maharashtra from 27th September, 2019 to 15th October, 2019.

20. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission.

Agenda Item No. 17: Proforma seeking clarification from the petitioner.

21. The Commission desired that the Proforma may be simplified and shortened.

Agenda Item No. 18: Follow-up actions of Tour Reports.

22. Noted.

Agenda Item No. 19 : Receipt and Disposal Report of G&R Section from 16.09.2019 to 11.10.2019.

23. Noted.

Supplementary Agenda Item No. 1 : Tour Report of Shri George Kurian, Vice Chairman to Puducherry (Mahe) from 24th September, 2019 to 25th September, 2019.

24. Noted. The tour report was approved by the Commission and it was decided to send the recommendations to all concerned.

Agenda Item No. 16: Any other item with the permission of Chairman:

- (i) Chairman directed that matter be taken up with State Governments for inclusion of Scheme for Minorities in the hoarding put up for development scheme.
- (ii) It was decided that Secretary will write to Commissioner of Police regarding the non participation of DCPs of Delhi during meetings taken by Members of the Commission. They would be thereafter invited to meet the Commission.
- (iii) As Shri Prashant Sukul, Secretary is going to superannuate at the end of this month, the Commission thanked him for his outstanding service and assistance to the Commission during his tenure and wished him a happy and healthy future.
