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File No.14/5/2011/Nilambar Pitamber University/Review/RU-III

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To

1. The Secretary,
Ministry of Human Resource
Development,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi
2. The Chairman,
University Grants Commission,
Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg,
New Delhi
3. The Vice Chancellor,
Indira Gandhi National Tribal
University,
Anarkantak,
Madhya Pradesh.

Subject : Implementation of reservation policy in services and admissions run for STs in Central Universities.

Sir/Madam ,

I am directed to refer to the Sitting taken by Hon'ble Chairperson, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes on 03/09/2013 with Secretary, MoHRD, Chairman, UGC and Registrar, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University (IGNTU) on the above mentioned subject and to enclose a copy of the proceedings of the Sitting for necessary action.

It is requested that action taken on the above points emerged during the Sitting may please be sent to the Commission as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,


(K.D. Bhansor) Mrs.
Deputy Director

- Copy to: (1) The Vice Chancellor, Nilambar-Pitamber University, Medininagar, Palamu, Jharkhand.
(2) The Research Officer, NCST, Regional Office, 14/New AG-Co-operative Colony, Kadaru, Ranchi (Jharkhand) – 834002.


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Summary record of the proceedings of the Sitting taken by the Chairperson, NCST at 1500 hrs. on 03.09.2013 with Secretary, MoHRD, Chairman, UGC and Registrar, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University (IGNTU), Amarkantak, Madhya Pradesh regarding implementation of reservation policy in services and admissions run for STs in Central Universities.

1. List of the officials present in the meeting is annexed.
2. In pursuance of the meeting taken by the Hon'ble Chairperson, NCST on 31.10.2012
 - (i) in improving the representation of Scheduled Tribes in teaching and non-teaching posts in Central Universities since at present it was considerably lower
 - (ii) implementation of DoPT Orders for grouping of posts
 - (iii) to review the action taken by the Indira Gandhi National Tribal University in relation to outlined objectives for its establishment since the Commission noted with concern that IGNTU continues to function in the absence of any specific action plan to achieve its targeted objectives in relation to STs.
3. In connection with above, Hon'ble Chairperson vide his letters dated 06.10.2012 requested Minister for Human Resources & Development, His Excellency Governor of Jharkhand and Chief Minister of Jharkhand to undertake the critical review of the functioning of the University vis-a-vis its mandate and also urgently formulate suitable mechanism to facilitate higher intake of ST students, especially in specialized areas, prioritized establishment of facilities in areas having high demand like medical and

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engineering disciplines etc., to fully serve the outlined objectives of establishment of IGNTU and also to ensure adherence of DoPT instructions for reservation of STs in services and admissions.

4. The Commission drew the attention of the officers present that in the meeting held on 31.10.2012, NCST had advised that UGC should issue immediate instructions to all Universities for strict compliance of the DoPT instructions on implementation of reservation policy, especially on grouping of posts, roster management and also implement other measures to improve the overall representation of STs in all the levels of the Central Universities. Further it was advised that UGC should also periodically monitor the position regarding the steps taken by the various universities to improve the representation of STs for taking timely corrective measures. UGC was also advised to communicate the action taken in the matter to the Commission within a month. Commission vide its letter dated 01.11.2012 forwarded the summary records of proceedings held on 31.10.2012 to Secretary, MoHRD and Chairman, UGC for necessary compliance and submission of report within a month's time. However no response was received hence it was decided to review the progress/action taken in a Sitting scheduled on 03.09.2013.

5. The Hon'ble Chairperson reiterated that Commission had reviewed the functioning of the IGNTU in September, 2012, and Commission noted with concern that the IGNTU continues to function like any other Central University of the Govt. with absence of any specific action plan to achieve its targeted objectives in relation to the STs and had advised that MoHRD and UGC may take action for promoting higher education among tribals and undertaking other mandated activities relating to STs, that reservation in admission to the extent of 50% is being provided in the Dr. Babasaheb Bhim Rao Ambedkar University, Agra. It was proposed that similar provisions could also be considered for the IGNTU, Amarkantak in respect of STs. The Commission

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also observed that the name (IGNTU) assigned suggest specific university was set-up for development of Tribals but there is no any special policy indicating special consideration for tribals as the University is while having the national scenario of Tribal Civilization and Culture but any study material available for the Schedule Tribe students in the University. The Commission also brought out that the University has been built up but various infrastructure facilities like transport, medical and technical education to the students in the university premises were not created upto desired level . The students have to go 15-20 KM away from the University for their Boarding and Lodging. Scholarships are being not paid to students on time, and as a result of it students were not allowed to sit in examinations.

6. The Hon'ble Chairperson also pointed out that similar is the situation of the Nilambar Pitamber University with regard to implementation and reservation policy and it was a matter of deep concern that the instruction issued by the DoPT with regard to group of post are not being followed by Universities/Teaching institutions.
7. After due deliberations, the Commission advised that the MoHRD and UGC may take urgent action on the issues/concerns of STs which emerged during visit of the Commission and in the sittings held on 31.10.2012 and 02.11.2012 so that tribal students can be inspired to take higher education.
8. The Secretary, MoHRD assured that the Ministry would initiate immediate action for fulfillment of the duties and functions of the Universities. The Chairman, UGC assured that the action would be taken on the issues raised by the Commission.
9. MoHRD and UGC will submit action taken report to the Commission on the issues/concerns within one month.

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DR. RAMESHWAR ORAON
Chairperson
National Commission for Scheduled Tribes
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New Delhi

List of participants

NCST

1. Dr. Vijaya Kumar, Secretary
2. Shri Aditya Mishra, Joint Secretary
3. Mrs. K.D. Bhansor, Deputy Director
4. Shri H.R Meena, Senior Investigator

Officials from HRD

1. Shri Ashok Thakur, Secretary
2. Shri Anant Kumar Singh, Joint Secretary

Officials from UGC

1. Prof. Ved Prakash, Chairman
2. Dr. K.C. Pathak, Joint Secretary
3. Shri Vasu Dev Tarleja, Section Officer

Official from IGNTU

1. Dr. Utpal Dev Nath, Registrar