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Case File No.PressClipping/03/Rajasthan/2021/RU-II (APCR)

Dated: 18.04.2022

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Subject:

The Press Clipping published in the daily News Paper " Times of India on 12.08.2021New Delhi regarding 7 tribal workers killed as illegal Stone Mine collapses in Bhilwara District, Rajasthan

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the Proceedings of the Sitting held on 30.03.2022 under the Chairmanship of Shri Ananta Nayak, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes on the above mentioned matter for necessary action and submission of compliance report to this Commission within 30 days for placing the same before the Hon'ble Member, NCST.

Encl: as above

Yours faithfully,

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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES

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PROCEEDINGS OF SITTING HELD ON 30.03.2022 CHAIRED BY SHRI ANANTA NAYAK, HON'BLE MEMBER, NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES (NCST) IN THE CASE OF NEWS ITEM APPEARED IN THE NEWSPAPER 'THE TIMES OF INDIA, NEW DELHI' DATED 12.08.2021 REGARDING SEVEN (7) TRIBAL WORKERS KILLED DUE TO ILLEGAL STONE MINES COLLAPSED IN BHILWARA DISTRICT, RAJASTHAN.

Date of Sitting: 30.03.2022 List of officers present in sitting is Annexed.

A press clipping was appeared in the daily newspaper 'The Times of India, New Delhi' dated 12.08.2021 regarding Seven (7) tribal workers killed due to illegal stone mines collapsed in Bhilwara District, Rajasthan and the Commission took Suo-motto cognizance of the incident reported in the newspaper.

- 2. The Commission vide its Notice dated 23.08.2021 sought a report from the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Rajasthan and DGP, Rajasthan. Thereafter, the Superintendent of Police, District Bhilwara has submitted a report, and after analysis of the report, the same was found to be unsatisfactory.
- 3. Accordingly, a sitting was held on 30.03.2022. In sitting, the District Collector, Bhilwara and the Superintendent of Police, Police Headquarter, Jaipur appeared before the Commission.
- In sitting, the District Collector, Bhilwara appraised the facts of the case and further reported that on 12.08.2021, the Police Station, Aasind, District Bhilwara had received a information of incident of collapse of stone mining and death of 07 ST labourers due to stuck under stone mining site. Immediately, the Police reached at incident place and started rescue operations. The Police recovered 07 bodies of labourers from the mining site. The Police registered a case against accused under Section 4/21 of MMDR Act, 1957 and RMMCR, 2017 for illegal mining against accused and then arrested the owner of stone mining Shri Noor Mohammed and his son Shri Kalu along with Thakedar of mines. During the investigation, it was found that out of 07 victim, 04 belongs to ST community and 03 belong to other than ST community. The case was investigated by registering FIR against accused under relevant provisions of IPC Act and relevant provisions of SCs&STs (PoA) Act, 1989 and also MMDR Act at Aasind Police Station. The investigation has been completed and a charge sheet was filed before the Court. Presently the matter is subjudice in the Court. It is further submitted that the District Administration has provided an amount of Rs. 50,000/- has been provided to each of the victim family members. Thereafter, Rs. 1 lakh was also provided to each of the victim family as monetary relief at the time of filing charge sheet. He further reported that the District Administration regularly monitor the licensee mines and also raids to the illegal mining on the basis of the information received.
- 5. On the analysis of the case, based on the reports received and submission made by the Officers appears, the Commission observed that it is a grave incident of death of ST and

अनंत नायक/ANANTA NAYAK सदस्य/Member चाष्ट्रीय अनुसृधित जनजाति आयोग NATIONAL COMMIS\$ION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES भारत सरकार/Govt. of India नई दिल्ली/New Delhi other persons. Though, the District Administration as well as Police Administration took prompt action in the matter. However, adequate monetary relief has not been provided to the victim ST family. There is a need to check the illegal mining and protection of labourers particularly members of ST community. The Commission therefore, recommends and advice the District Collector and District Superintendent of Police, Bhilwara to take immediate action in the case which is as follows:

- Provide adequate monetary relief and other rehabilitation measures to the kin of victim ST family under the Central and State Government Schemes. The District Welfare Officer may be deputed to co-ordinate with Police for adequate protection and disbursement of compensation.
- Take necessary action for conviction of accused and speedy trial of the case before the Court of Law or Fast Track Court. The periodically monitoring of the case may be made.
- To ensure that such incidents may not be happened in future and safety of ST persons engaged in hazardous activities be made.
- Provide a detailed report in the matter of Silicosis disease among the persons involved in the mining activities and corrective measures taken by the Government Agencies.
- Ensure the protection of witness and victim family members.
- Take immediate action against illegal mining in the District
- Submit an action taken report on the Commission's recommendations within 30 days.

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MEMBER

National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

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List of participants

Officers from Government of Rajasthan

- 1. Shri Ashish Modi, District Collector, Bhilwara, Rajasthan.
- 2. Shri Chuna Ram Jat, Superintendent of Police, Civil Rights, Police Head Quarters, Jaipur