

**Minutes of the 127th Commission Meeting held on 11.03.2008 at
11.00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Commission**

The following attended the meeting :

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| 1. | Ms.Yasmeen Abrar | Chairperson |
| 2. | Ms.Malini Bhattacharya | Member |
| 3. | Ms.Nirmala Venkatesh | Member |
| 4. | Shri S.Chatterjee | Member-Secretary |

In attendance were :

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| 1. | Ms.Vijaya Moorty | Joint Secretary |
| 2. | Ms.Kusum Mishra | Deputy Secretary |
| 3. | Sh.Abdus Salam | Under Secretary |
| 4. | Sh.Yogesh Mehta | Law Officer |
| 5. | Sh.V.K.Asthana | Section Officer |
| 6. | Sh.M.R.Verma | Coordinator |

It was agreed in the last meeting of the Commission held on 27th February 2008 that the meeting of the Commission should be chaired by any of the member as mutually agreed upon. Accordingly, the meeting of the Commission was chaired by Ms.Yasmeen Abrar, Member, NCW.

Mrs.Kareena B.Thengamam who has joined NCW on 5th March, 2008, introduced herself to the Members of the Commission and all Members welcomed Mrs.Kareena B.Thengamam in NCW as PRO.

Item No.1. Leave of absence.

Leave of absence was granted to Ms.Neeva Konwar and Ms.Manju S.Hembrom, Member, NCW.

Item No.2. Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 27.2.2008.

Minutes of the last two meetings are confirmed.

(Action : All Concerned)

Item No.3. ATRs will be submitted in the next meeting.

It was agreed that the ATRs of the previous meeting of the Commission held on 11.2.08 and 27.2.08 shall be submitted in the next meeting of the Commission.

(Action : All Concerned)

Item No.4. Formulation of the Annual Action Plan (AAP) for submission to Parliamentary Standing Committee on HRD – examination of Demand for Grants of the Ministry of WCD.

Confirmed.

(Action : Pay & Accounts Officer)

Item No.5. Closure of Non-Mandate complaints.

It was deliberated upon that all non-mandated cases should not be closed in variably. Incase of sub judicial matter, it depends on merit of the case whether the matter pending in the Court and the matter which has been brought to the notice of Commission are different. If so, such matters can be taken up by the Commission.

The procedure adopted for segregating the non-mandate complaints was approved by the Commission. Only the mandated complaints will henceforth be sent to the Counselors. The non-mandate

complaints will be closed by the Coordinator scrutinizing the complaints will approval of the Deputy Secretary. A list of such cases will be put up to the Commission every month. Accordingly a list of 103 non-mandate cases closed was put up to the Commission.

(Action : C & I)

Item No.6. Re-appointment of Ms.Sinu Jain, Research Assistant.

Approved.

However, it was decided that at the next meeting of the Commission and overall picture of wage structure of different kinds of staff working in NCW shall be put up.

(Action : Law Officer)

Item No.7. CMA supplication No.1760 of 2008 Smt.Rajkumari Awasthi and Vs State of UP.

It was decided to file an affidavit by NCW before the Hon'ble High Court of U.P. as prepared in the Agenda note.

(Action : Legal Cell)

Item No.8. Case of Incest-filing review petition in High Court.

A copy of judgment in the case may be circulated to the all Members so that they can go through the judgment and give their opinion. In the meantime medical report of the victim (i.e. daughter of the accused) may be obtained from police. The matter be placed in the next meeting of the Commission.

(Action : Legal Cell)

Item No.9. ATR in respect of Screening Committee meetings.

Approved.

Item No.10 Report on two days workshop on study on availability of Micro credit to women and role of SHG.

Approved.

Item No.11. Report on public hearing on fisher women at Thavalkuppam in Pondicherry.

Approved.

Item No.12. Report on Study on Access to Credit by Women Agribusiness Trade.

Approved.

Item No.13. Report on study on condition of women in embroidery and handicraft industry in UP.

Approved.

Item No.14. Report on public hearing on women with disability conducted by Haryana Berojgar Yuva Sansthan.

Approved.

Item No.15. Report on assessment of socio-economic and health status of tribal women in Orissa.

Approved.

Item No.16. Study report on socio-economic status of Muslim Women in UP.

Approved.

Item No.17. Study report on understanding women development issues in Rebari Community.

Approved.

Item No.18. Study report on condition of women prisoners of Bihar.

Approved.

Item No.19. Report on state level seminar on women leadership development empowerment and self employment.

Approved.

Item No.20. Report on state level seminar held on 24th and 25th December 2006 on women in politics.

Approved.

Item No.21. Report on state workshop held on 16th & 17th March 2007 on education of muslim women and girls in Haryana.

Approved.

Item No.22. Report on participation of women in Panchayati Raj in Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh.

Approved.

Item No.23. Report on two day seminar on Rehabilitation of women in Orissa.

Approved.

Item No.24. Study report on Rights of Tribal women vis-à-vis forest land in Orissa.

Approved.

Item No.25. Study report on impact of increasing migration of women in Orissa.

Approved.

Item No.26. Report on women's health and empowerment in integrated child development services. (ICDS) – An exploration in West Bengal.

Approved.

Item No.27. Report on Divorcee Women conducted by Association for Development initiative, New Delhi.

Approved.

Item No.28. Report on domestic violence against elderly women in South Orissa.

Approved.

Item No.29. Report on public hearing on conditions of women and Girl Prisoners in Jail of Orissa.

Approved.

Item No.30. Report on analysis on economic impact of domestic violence in nine districts in North Karnataka.

Approved.

Item No.31. Report on 'awareness about health rehabilitation and education among parents of disabled girl child.

Approved.

Item No.32. Report on women workers in mining sector in Udaipur and Bhilwara districts of Rajasthan.

Approved.

Item No.33. Report on state level seminar on tribal women upliftment organized by Vagad Vasudha Kalyan Sansthan Rajasthan on 28/29th May, 2007.

Approved.

Item No.34. Report on comprehensive legislation for working women.

Approved.

Item No.35. Report on two days workshop on Art of Counselling organized by Pondicherry Women's Commission.

Approved.

Item No.36. Approval of the revised budget for National Conference on Dayan Pratha held at Udaipur on 25-26 April, 2007.

Approved.

Item No.37. International Women's Day celebration by Assam State Women's Commission.

Five Legal Awareness Programmes (LAP) approved for Assam State Commission for Women (ASCW) for a total amount of Rs.1,00,000/-. This may be requested to inform us about the details of holding five LAPs.

(Action : Legal Cell)

Item No.38. Agenda Note from M(MB) reg (i) settling accounts and releasing installments (ii) Proposal from CFAR for holding public hearing in Delhi for women living in settlements and basic civic amenities available to them (iii) Increasing wage for daily workers working at NCS (iv) Pending reports to be approved.

- (i) Action already taken ;
- (ii) Approved, subject to submission of necessary accounts by the organization ;
- (iii) Shall be put up in the next meeting of the Commission giving proper justification along with rule position ;
- (iv) Action already taken ;
- (v) It was agreed upon that the payment to all the proposals, study reports etc. which has been approved by the Commission shall be cleared before 31.03.2008. Ministry of WCD shall be reminded to release the additional funds required by Commission and the unspent balance, if any, shall be carried forward to the next financial year.

It was observed that when Members are away from headquarters, the peon and staff car drivers alongwith the car attached to the concerned members are also not available in the office for most of time. It was decided that the peons and staff car drivers should mark their attendance in the attendance register placed with the PSs attached to the members so that the members can know the whereabouts of the peons and staff car drivers directly with them.
