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National Commission for Women, 4, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Marg, New Delhi

Minutes of the Meeting of the Commission held at short notice on 11.11.2008

A meeting was called by the Chairperson to discuss certain issues. The following members attended:

- Mrs. Manju Hembroom, Member
- 2. Ms. Yasmin Abrar, Member
- Ms. Neeva Konwar, Member
- 4. Shri S. Chatterjee, Member Secretary
- (i) The holding of conference and seminars on women issues in the States needs to be expedited.

It was decided that each member will finalize and conduct 4 to 5 State level seminars in the States allotted to them, on issues relevant to those States.

The member concerned would be responsible for holding the seminar and make all arrangements in this regard. They may involve the Panchayats, State Women's Commission and reputed NGOs for this purpose. In case of each such conference the help of PS to the member and one official or coordinator may be taken. PS and the official so assigned will assist the member in finalizing the accounts etc and completing reports on the deliberations and outcome of the conference including list of people who attended etc.

The members will finalize the programmes as early as possible and ensure that this is completed within March'09. Separately National level conferences will be held by the NCW in consultation with the Chairperson.

(ii) The matter of taking *suo moto* cognizance of incidents was discussed. It was decided that wherever *suo moto* cognizance is to be taken of an incident which is considered very important from the point of view of investigation etc., the matter should be brought to the notice of the Chairperson.

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However, in cases of urgent importance, the Chairperson may ask members to visit any site etc. depending upon the gravity of the situation. In such cases office will take necessary action to ensure that proper records are maintained of such visits and that the reports from the members after the visit is completed at the earliest and sent to the concerned authorities for further action.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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