# F.No. 4-181/2017-18/NCW-183 National Commission for Women

Plot No. 21, Jasola Institutional Area New Delhi-110025, Dated, the 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

Subject: Minutes of the 183<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Commission- reg.

The minutes of the 183<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Commission held on 16.02.2018 at 1100 hrs in the Conference Hall of the Commission, are enclosed for information and necessary action.

2. It is requested that Action Taken Report, if any, on the decision taken in the above meeting and agenda items to be placed before the Commission in its forthcoming meeting may please be furnished at the earliest.

Encl: As abvoe

Under Secretary

To

- 1. PS to CP
- 2. PS to Member (SS)
- 3. PS to Member (AR)
- 4. PS to Member Secretary
- 5. PS to JS
- 6. US(RC)/US(PK)/PAO
- 7. Sr. Coordinators (Smt. Kanchan Khattar/ Smt. Lilabati)
- 8. All Head/ In-charge of the Cell
- 9 Sr. Programmer/ Administration for uploading the same in local server.



## NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

MINUTES OF THE 183<sup>rd</sup> MEETING OF THE COMMISSION HELD ON 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2018 AT 1100 HRS IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF THE COMMISSION, NEW DELHI.

#### Present:

Ms Rekha Sharma
Shri Alok Rawat
Ms Sushma Sahu
Dr. Satbir Bedi
Chairperson (In-charge)
Member
Member
Member Secretary

## Also Present:

| 1. Shri K.L.Sharma         | Joint Secretary         |
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| 2. Shri R.C.Ahuja          | Under Secretary         |
| 3. Ms. Priti Kumar         | Under Secretary         |
| 4. Shri Rajesh Kumar Ahuja | Pay and Account Officer |
| 5. Ms. Loma Vashisth       | Pay and Account Officer |

At the outset, Chairperson (i/c) thanked everyone for making sincere efforts for the successful organisation of the event held on 31.01.2018 to commemorate the 25 year of the establishment of the National Commission for Women. She also stated that the National Seminar on acid attack held on 24.1.2018 was also well organised.

Thereafter, the Member Secretary, National Commission for Women welcomed the Chairperson, Members of the National Commission and officers present in the meeting of the Commission.

The following agenda items were taken up for discussion:-

## Agenda Item No. 1:

Minutes of the 182<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Commission held on 23.01. 2018

Minutes of the 182<sup>nd</sup> Commission meeting held on 23.01.2018 were confirmed.

#### Agenda Item No. 2:

A Report on the one day National Seminar on Combating Acid Attacks in India: Socio-Legal Aspects held on 24.01.2018

The Commission noted the status brought out in the Agenda Note.

2. Member (AR) took exception to the facts highlighted by Joint Secretary. After detailed discussion, the Commission decided to discuss the matter further separately.

## Agenda Item No. 3:

# Restructuring of the NRI Cell in the National Commission for Women

The Commission took note of the findings/recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Parliament and approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note. The Commission, after detailed discussions, also decided that better facilities including High Speed Internet and facility for Video Conferencing may be provided to NRI Cell. With regards to the number of staff to be posted in the Cell, the Commission decided that a final view in the matter may be taken by CP (i/c).

## Agenda Item No. 4:

# Creation of a Cell to handle Psychiatric Home/ Custodial Homes Cell

The Commission approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note with the modification that depending upon the number of newly recruited contractual staff joining, CP (i/c) may take a final view about the number of contractual staff to be posted in the Cell.

## Agenda Item No. 5:

# Restructuring of Legal Cell

The Commission approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note and decided that efforts be made to fill up the vacant post of Law Officer at the earliest possible.

### Agenda Item No. 6:

### Creation of Women Safety Cell

The Commission approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note with the modification that with regards to the number of staff to be posted in the Cell, a final view may be taken by CP (i/c).

## Agenda Item No. 7:

# Creation of Women Welfare Cell

Noting the context of the directions of the Supreme Court and letter from Secretary, Women and Child Development (WCD), the Commission approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note. Member (AR) stated that NCW could move a proposal for increasing the regular man-power of the Commission for this Cell in view of the additional responsibility having been entrusted to the Commission. The Commission also decided that CP (i/c) may take a final view about the number of staff posted in the Cell.



## Agenda Item No. 8:

## Creation of a Capacity Building Cell

The Commission approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note with the modification that a decision regarding the number of staff to be posted in the Cell, may be taken by CP (i/c).

## Agenda Item No. 9:

#### Restructuring of C&I Cell

The Commission approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note with the modification that as regards the number of staff to be posted in the Cell, a final view may be taken by CP (i/c).

## Agenda Item No. 10:

### Restructuring of Suo Moto and North East Cell

The Commission approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note with the modification that with regard to the number of staff to be posted in the Cell, a final view may be taken by CP (i/c).

2. The Commission also decided that priority may be given to posting of additional manpower in the Suo-Moto Cell as work in the Cell has slowed down.

#### Additional Agenda Item No. 1:

### Honorarium to Officers and staff of NCW for the financial year 2017-18

The Commission approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note with the direction that the wishes of two Under Secretaries to be excluded from the list of those being paid honorarium may be honoured.

#### Additional Agenda Item No. 2:

### Restructuring of NCW- Engagement of officials on contract basis

The Commission noted the information brought out in the Agenda Note.

### Additional Agenda Item No. 3:

### Engagement of Interns in the National Commission for Women

Member (AR) wanted more time to study the proposal and indicated his inability to support the proposal.

2. The Commission, however, approved the proposal brought out in the Agenda Note after detailed discussions with the modification that the minimum period of engagement with honorarium may be increased to 60 days in place of 45 days.



## Other Agenda Item No. 1:

## Reclaiming Safety of Women

Member Secretary briefed the Commission about a proposal for holding a night walk on Rajpath on 04.03.2018 in which Ms. Srishti Bakshi who has undertaken a 3800 Kms walk from Kanyakumari to Srinagar will participate. Member Secretary mentioned that if approved by the Commission, the first lady can be requested to flag off the march.

2. The Commission approved the proposal and decided that further steps be taken to organise the event.

## Other Agenda Item No. 2:

## National Consultation on Emotional well-being of Women

Member Secretary mentioned that the matter relating to a national consultation being organised on emotional well-being of women had been discussed in a meeting in the Ministry of Women & Child Development. Member Secretary added that a preliminary assessment had been carried out by her. She proposed that the Commission could approve the consultation being organised in 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> week of March 2018.

2. The Commission accorded approval for the proposal to undertake consultation as proposed by the Member Secretary.

# Other Agenda Item No.3

#### Creation of Coordination Cell

Member (AR) proposed that a separate Cell should be created for coordination purposes in the Commission.

2. The Commission approved the proposal for a Coordination Cell being set up.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

(Dr. Satbir Bedi)

Member Secretary, NCW

(Rekha Sharma) Chairperson, NCW