#### F.No.4-181/2016-17/NCW National Commission for Women New Delhi

Plot No.21, Jasola Institutional Area, New Delhi 110 025

Dated 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2017

Subject: Minutes of the 171st Meeting of the Commission – reg.

The minutes of the 171st Meeting of the Commission held on 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 at 12.00 hrs in the Conference Hall of the National Commission for Women 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.

(G. Nagarajan)

**Under Secretary** 

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- 1. PS to CP
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### National Commission for Women

Minutes of the 171st meeting of the Commission held on 27th January, 2017 at 1200 hrs in the Conference Hall of the National Commission for Women, New Delhi.

At the Outset, the Commission welcomed the new Member Secretary who has recently assumed charge in the Commission. Thereafter, with the permission of the chair, Joint Secretary presented, ad seriatim, the agenda items of the meeting.

The following agenda items were taken up for discussion:-

## Agenda Item No. 1:- Minutes of the Commission meeting held on 28 November, 2016.

Minutes of the 170th Commission meeting held on 28.11.2016 were confirmed by the Commission.

#### Agenda Item No. 2:-Discussion on preparation of Silver Jubilee Celebrations of NCW

It has been decided that Editor, Rashtriya Mahila may be asked to initiate compilation of achievements of NCW over the past 25 years. In respect of release of Stamp the matter is being pursued with the Department of Posts; Convenience of Speaker, Lok Sabha, Minister for Women and Child Development, MoS for Women and Child Development, Minister for Communication and Information Technology, MoS for Commerce and Industry, MoS for Rural Development etc., may be obtained. Besides personalities like MS Swaminathan may also be associated. Some former Chairperson/Members of the Commission have agreed to associate with the proposed Silver Jubilee preparations. A coordination committee may be constituted to coordinate the activities relating to the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of NCW. The suggestion of Member (AR) relating to release of a Coin is noted by the Commission for taking up the matter with the appropriate authorities. Allocation and Utilisation towards gender budgeting may also be looked into afresh.

(Action: PR Cell)

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# Agenda Item No. 3:- Ex-post approval of Legal Awareness Programmes conducted in the North-Eastern Region by NCW

The expenditure of Rs. 38.40 lakhs for a total number of 32 camps has been approved by the Commission.

Chairperson is of the view that a conference be held in the North Easter Region preferably at Khaziranga during the current financial year wherein an interaction between NCW and State Commissions of the Region along with the State Authorities be held. Member Secretary opined that an awareness campaign be initiated to make the women of NE Region aware of the precautions that are required to be taken by them when they move out of their region to mainland. Further, Chairperson is of the view that the conditions of women workers of Tea Gardens in the Northern and North Eastern States be reviewed and be included in the proposed meeting to be held in the North

(Action: NE Cell)

## Agenda Item No. 4:- Supply of Godrej Compactors (2 Nos.) by M/s. Sun Shine Enterprises.

The Commission has granted ex-post facto approval for expenditure of Rs.18,04,931 towards payment made to M/s. Sun Shine Enterprises.

## Agenda Item No. 5:- Ex-post approval of Legal Awareness Programmes conducted by NCW

The expenditure of Rs. 66.00 lakhs for a total number of 66 camps has been approved by the Commission.

(Action: - Legal Cell)

### Agenda Item No. 6:- Mahila Jan Sunwais during 2016

The Commission noted the conduct of the Jan Sunwais between August, 2016 to November, 2016 at various States of the Country and appreciated the efforts of the Members. Chairperson is of the view that the working of Complaints and Investigation Cell needs to be revamped so as to be more proactive and to ensure that the complaints are duly attended to timely and followed up religiously to bring them to logical ends.

(Action: - C&I Cell)

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Agenda Item No. 7:- Research Study on "Compliance to Provisions of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 with focus on Private Sector" by Bharatiya Institute of Research and Development (BIRD), Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh - regarding.

The Commission accepted the proposal and approved release of an amount of Rs. 7,02,450/- for the study for a period of 8 months towards Bharatiya Institute of Research and Development (BIRD), Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh. A copy of the report be kept in the Library of the Commission besides forwarding the findings to the Ministry of Women and Child Development as well as the State Government concerned.

(Action: - PPMRC Cell)

Agenda Item No. 8:- Memorandum of Understanding between National Commission for Women (NCW) and the National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR) -regarding.

The Commission impressed for the need of obtaining the original MoU from NIRD complete in all respects.

(Action: - PPMRC Cell)

Agenda Item No. 9:-Research Study on "Problems of issues faced by women sarpanches and Panches.

The Commission accepted the proposal and approved release of an amount of Rs. 49,980/- for the study undertaken by Dhara, Bokaro, Jharkhand. A copy of the report be kept in the Library of the Commission besides forwarding the findings to the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Panchayat Raj and as well as the State Government concerned.

(Action: - PPMRC Cell)

Agenda Item No.10:- Research Study on "Study of Preparedness and Level of Enforcement of Private Hospitals in the National Capital Region (NCR) in implementing the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 by National Law University, Delhi - regarding.

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The Commission approved the proposal and the budget of an amount of Rs.9,84,900 to undertake the study for a period of one year for conducting and completing the study by National Law University, Delhi and release of the same as per standard procedure.

(Action: - PPMRC Cell)

## Agenda Item No.11:- Research Study on "The Role and Status of Women Cultivators in Rajasthan"

The Commission approved the final report received from the organization and to restrict the sanction to Rs.2,05,800 in view of the observations of the Commission. A copy of the report be kept in the Library of the Commission besides forwarding the findings to the Ministry of Women and Child Development as well as the State Government concerned.

(Action: - PPMRC Cell)

Agenda Item No.12:- Research Study on "Increasing Domestic Violence against women through Alcoholism in Rural Andhra Pradesh: the case of Chittoor District

The Commission approved the final report received from the organization and approved release of balance payment of Rs.77,385 as per standard procedure. A copy of the report be kept in the Library of the Commission besides forwarding the findings to the Ministry of Women and Child Development as well as the State Government concerned.

(Action: - PPMRC Cell)

Agenda Item No. 13:-Research study on "Documenting Traditional Wisdom for Environmental Sustainability: voices of Tribal Hill Women Living in the Himalayan Zone" by Rural Litigation and Entitlement Kendra (RLEK), 68/1, Suryalok Colony, Rajpur Road, Dehradun, Uttarakhand.

The Commission approved the proposal and the budget of an amount of Rs.6,56,250 to undertake the study for a period of nine months for conducting and completing the study by Rural Litigation and Entitlement Kendra (RLEK), 68/1, Suryalok Colony, Rajpur Road, Dehradun, Uttarakhand and release of the same as per standard procedure

(Action: - PPMRC Cell)

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Agenda Item No. 14:- Report "An Approach to National Creche Policy" of the Expert Committee on National Policy on Creche.

The Commission noted the developments in the matter and desired immediate necessary action.

(Action: - PPMRC Cell)

Agenda Item No. 15:- Action Taken Report on the Commission's Meeting held on 28.11.2016 by PPMRC Cell

The Commission noted the Action Taken Report submitted by the PPMRC Cell on the Commission's Meetings held on 28.11.2016.

Additional Agenda Item No. 1:- Research Study on "A Comparative Study: Maternity Benefits & Child Care Provisions for Working Women in Public and Private Sectors" by Haryali Centre for Rural Development, Plot No. 14, Zakir Nagar (West), New Delhi 110 025.

Approved by the Commission.

(Action: - PPMRC Cell)

#### The following have attended the above meeting: -

1. Ms. Lalitha Kumaramangalam

2. Ms. Rekha Sharma

3. Ms. Sushma Sahu

4. Shri Alok Rawat

5. Smt. Satbir Bedi

Chairperson

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Member Secretary

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#### In attendance were:-

- 1. Smt. Vandana Gupta
- 2. Shri V.V. B. Raju
- 3. Shri J. Shailender
- 4. Shri G. Nagarajan
- 5. Shri Rakesh Ahuja

Joint Secretary
Deputy Secretary
Under Secretary
Under Secretary
Pay and Accounts Officer

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Satbir Bedi)

Member Secretary, NCW

(Lalitha Kumaramangalam

Chairperson, NCW