

### राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग

## **National Commission for Scheduled Tribes** (A Constitutional body set up under Article 338 of the Constitution of India)

6th Floor, Lok Nayak Bhavan, Khan Market, New Delhi - 110003

Date: 16.06.2024

F. No.: NCST/DEV-3786/AP/94/2024-RO-BHUV

To,

1. The Collector and District Magistrate Collectorate, Trunk Rd., Santhapet, Ongole, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh - 523001 Tel. No: 8886616001

2. The District Forest Officer Office of the DFO, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh - 523000 Email ID: dfoprakasam@gmail.com

Subject: Representation received from Shri Desavath Srinu Naik, FRC Committee Chairman of Bode Naik Thanda, Dornala Mandal of Prakasham District regarding allotment of land Sir.

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to say that a Meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, NCST on 06.05.2025 at NCST, New Delhi. A Copy of the Minutes of the Meeting is enclosed herewith.

2. It is requested that Action Taken / to be taken Report on the recommendations may be submitted to National Commission for Scheduled Tribes within 30 days from the receipt of the

Yours sincerely,

(P. Kalyan Reddy) Director

Tel: 20819841

#### Copy to:

- 1. Shri D Sreenu Naik, Secretary, FRC, Bodeniak Thanda, Dornala Mandal, Prakasam, Andhra
- 2. PS to Hon'ble Member (JH), NCST.
- 3. NIC, NCST to upload on the website.

# NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES NCST/DEV-3786/AP/94/2024-RO-BHUV

Minutes of the Sitting held under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes at Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi in the case of Shri Desavath Sreenu Naik, Bode Naik Thanda, Dornala Mandal of Prakasham District regarding non issuance of Community Forest rights.

Date of the Sitting: 06/05/2025, 1:30 PM Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure

Shri Desavath Sreenu Naik, Bode Naik Thanda, Dornala Mandal of Prakasham District vide representation dated 29.11.2024 has represented that approximately 150 acres of forest land in their habitation have been traditionally used by the community for cattle grazing and fishing in a tank for the past 40–50 years. However, Community Forest Rights over the said land have not yet been issued. Hence, do the justice.

- 2. NCST vide notice dated 22.01.2025 sought facts and comments from the the Collector and District Magistrate, Prakasam and the District Forest Officer, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh within 30 days from receipt of the Notice. The reply was not received, hence, NCST decided to discuss the issue with the authorities and the petitioner on 06.05.2025. Accordingly, a sitting notice was sent on 21.04.2025.
- 3. The District Collector and Magistrate, Prakasam District vide letter dated 3.5.2025 has deputed Sub-Collector, Markapur, Prakasam District to attend the sitting. There was no response from DFO, Prakasam.
- 4. In the sitting, the Sub-Collector, Markapur, Prakasam District was present. But the petitioner was absent. the Sub-Collector, Markapur, Prakasam District has provided the letter no LA3/381315/2025 dated 3.5.2025, which contains the facts and comments. In the letter it has been informed that the Bode Naik thanda is the hamlet village of Peddabommalapuram Revenue Village of Dornala Mandal. But there are cattle in side the forest area like Chinthala, Thummalabayalu Chinnarutla etc, Gudems and they are living in the reserve Forest are and they will not come out side the Reserve area. Forest people are allowing the cattle which are in the Forest area. But they are not allowing the cattle relating to out side Reserve Area. In this regard a District Level Committee is scheduled on 12.5.2025 at Collector Officer, Ongole with all concerned and action will be initiated as per decision.
- 5. Specific provision for protection of the rights of pastoralist/nomadic communities under Section 3(1)(d) may be invoked which describes the following forest right: "(d) other community rights of uses or entitlements such as...grazing (both settled or transhumant) and traditional seasonal resource access of nomadic or pastoralist communities".
- 6. The District Administration is requested to provide the outcome of the DLC meeting scheduled for 12.5.2025 for deciding further course of action by the NCST.

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सदस्य / Member

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List of participants of the sitting held on 06.05.2025 at 1830..... under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu, Hussain, Hon'ble Member, NCST

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Ш	District Forest Officer, Prakasam		
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IV	Petitioner		
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