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File No. NCST/DEV-449/DL/11/2022-ESDW(RU-III)

Dated: - 08.07.2025

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(3) The Collector & District Magistrate, Collectorate, Collectorate Main Road District – Koraput, Odisha, 764020 Email: dm-koraput@nic.in

Sub: A representation dated 28.04.2022 of Shri Radhakanta Tripathy, Advocate & Rights Activist, 27, Old Lawyer Chambers, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi - 110001 regarding prolong injustice caused to the victims of displaced persons due to allotment of land of Hindustan Aeronautic Limited (HAL), a PSU of Government of India, I hear by draw your attention to redress the grievances of the affected people.

महोदय/महोदया,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of the sitting held on 06.06.2025 at 12:20 PM under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes at New Delhi on the above mentioned subject.

It is requested that the action taken/to be taken in the matter may be intimated to NCST within stipulated time from receipt of the letter for placing it before the Commission.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. P. Kalyan Reddy)

Director

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Copy for information:-

PS to Hon'ble Member (JH), NCST
 NIC, NCST for uploading on the website of the Commission.

National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

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 on the representation of Shri Radhakanta Tripathy, Advocate & Rights Activist, New Delhi regarding displaced of Scheduled tribes people in Koraput District (Odisha) due to land allotment to Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL).

(NCST/DEV-449/DL/11/2022-ESDW) (RU-III) Date of the Sitting: 06/06/2025 at 12:20 PM Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure

Shri Radhakanta Tripathy, Advocate & Rights Activist, New Delhi vide his petition dated 28.04.2022 has drawn attention to the plight of displaced ST persons in Koraput district due to land allotment to Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL). He alleged that the State Authority's report misrepresents facts and omits details of RPDAC meetings and minutes. He highlighted non-compliance with terms of agreement between HAL and Government of Odisha and asserted that affected ST communities have been denied proper rehabilitation, ST certificates, land rights and basic necessities. He pointed out the provisions of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 and requested an independent investigation by the Commission, submission of an ATR, verification of the HAL-Govt. MoU, RPDAC details and quarterly updates with documentary evidence on rights, welfare schemes and rehabilitation efforts for STs.

In this matter, a sitting was held on 07.06.2023 in which the following recommendations were made and the minutes were sent to all concerned on 6.7.2023 for furnishing the Action taken report within 30 days from receipt of the Minutes.

- 1. The District Collector to submit all the documents and complete file of the High court cases filed along with the orders in this issue.
- 2. A Field Visit by a team constituted by the Commission to conduct to ascertain the ground realities, facts and circumstances in the interest of justice.
- 3. HAL vide letter no. HAL/HR/47(02)/2023 dated 31-07-2023 informed that the land was acquired by the Government of Odisha, which handled compensation and rehabilitation and HAL played no role in the acquisition process. HAL asserts that the complainants are not displaced persons but unauthorized encroachers on HAL land, who have repeatedly refused to vacate despite the provision of a relocation colony with houses and amenities funded by HAL under CSR and despite orders from the Orissa High Court directing them to vacate. HAL recounts its efforts to engage the encroachers through meetings and awareness camps and highlights continued resistance, including demands for permanent jobs and obstruction of HAL's operations, such as the construction of a boundary wall essential for national security. HAL urges the NCST to recognize the complainants as encroachers and take appropriate action to prevent further false claims and ensure vacation of the encroached land.
- 4. The problems of ST persons remains unresolved, hence, NCST decided to discuss the issue with the authority and the petitioner on 06.06.2025. Accordingly, a Sitting Notice was sent on 27.05.2025.
- 5. CMD, HAL vide letter dated 2.6.2025 has sought exemption and deputed Executive Director, HAL, Koraput Division to attend the sitting.
- 6. In the sitting, the Executive Director, HAL, Koraput Division and other Sr. officers of HAL, Addl. District Collector & Magistrate, Koraput and petitioner were present. There was no officer present on behalf of Principal Secretary, Revenue & Disaster Management, Govt. of Odisha. The petitioner has reiterated his earlier submission and stated that the problems of ST persons remains unresolved.

जाटोतु हुसेन/Jatothu Hussain सदस्य/Member

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- 7. The officers of HAL and ADM, Koraput informed that the people residing on the land are encroachers and they are not displaced by the HAL. The Hon'ble High Court of Odisha in its Order dated 9.10.2023 in WP(C) No.14804 of 2017 had directed to vacate the land. HAL and the District Administration are attempting to relocate the people to another location but are facing resistance. The ST persons are asking for employment in HAL and also not cooperating with the management. The petitioner stated that the locations where the administration is trying to move the people lack of proper facilities. HAL and the District Administration need to properly develop these locations to ensure that basic amenities and essential facilities are available.
- 8. After discussion with the officers of HAL, ADM, Koraput and petitioner, the following recommendations were made and action taken report to be submitted within 15 days from receipt of the minutes.
- A Committee (in which concerned SDM of District Koraput, Liaison Officer nominated by HAL, one Sr. Officer
 of HAL from HR Division and representatives (at least 3, including one female of the affected localities/villages)
 be constituted by HAL, within 15 days. The Committee may submit its report within two months
- The conditions pointed out in the Affidavit filed by HAL before the Hon'ble High Court of Odisha may be shared with the villagers for their reference.
- The CSR allocated by HAL may be informed District Magistrate, Koraput for Welfare and Development of localities/ villages where HAL is planning to relocate the persons, who residing on HAL Land.
- After receipt of the report of the Committee (as mentioned above), a team of NCST will visit HAL to assess the
 progress and status of ST families.

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List of participants of the sitting held on 6.6.2025 at 12-20...under the chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, NCST

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