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National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

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File No. NCST/DEV-5038/TS/53/2025-RU-III

Dated: 31.07.2025

To

1. The Collector & District Magistrate
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2. The Secretary,
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Sub: Non-payment of compensation for land acquired from ST farmers for Seetarama Lift Irrigation Project – a representation dated 28.3.2025 of Shri Kursam Chinna Raju and others, ST Farmers of Jaggaram Village, District Bhadradri Kothagudem, Telangana

महोदय/महोदया,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of the sittings held on 18.07.2025 at 12:30 PM under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes at Dilkusha Guest House, Hyderabad 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,


(डॉ. पी. कल्याण रेड्डी/Dr. P. Kalyan Reddy)
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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 Dilkusha Guest House, Hyderabad in the case of Shri Kursam Chinna Raju and other ST farmers regarding non-payment of compensation.

Date of the Sitting: 18/07/2025, 12:30 PM
Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure
NCST/DEV-5038/TS/53/2025-RU-III

Shri Kursam Chinna Raju, Shri Kalluru Bodappa (represented by his son Shri Rajeswar Rao), Shri Madivi Rajulu (Late, represented by his son Shri Madivi Rambabu), and Shri Madivi Bojji, all Scheduled Tribe farmers of Jaggaram Village, Dammamet Mandal, Bhadradi Kothagudem District, Telangana, vide their petition dated 28.03.2025, have stated that their agricultural lands measuring 103.07 acres were acquired for the Seetarama Lift Irrigation Project-Sathupally Trunk, and they had accepted the compensation amount finalized in the price negotiation committee on 13.09.2019. However, even after 5 years, the agreed compensation has not been paid, while the land has already been transferred in the name of the Irrigation Project, resulting in their loss of government benefits like the Raithu Bandhu Scheme and inability to secure bank loans. They further contend that with the lapse of 5 years, the previously agreed compensation is no longer valid due to a rise in land prices. They have requested the Commission to direct the concerned district officials to restore the land in their names so they can avail of government subsidies.

2. The Commission issued notice to the Collector & District Magistrate Bhadradi Kothagudem District vide NCST letter dated 30.05.2025 seeking facts and comments within 30 days.

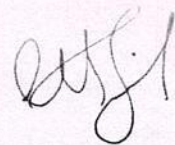
3. The Commission decided to discuss the issue with the authority and the petitioners on 18.07.2025. Accordingly, a Sitting Notice was sent on 14.07.2025. On behalf of the Collector & District Magistrate, Bhadradi Kothagudem, the Special Deputy Collector, Seetharama Lift Irrigation Project, attended the sitting. The petitioners, Shri Kursam Chinna Raju and Shri Kalluru Rajeswar Rao, also attended the sitting.

4. The authorities informed that bills were prepared for claiming the compensation/ex-gratia amounts as per the awards and proceedings passed in accordance with the decision of the Price Negotiation Committee on 13.09.2019 and submitted to the PAO, Bhadradi Kothagudem. Token numbers have been issued, but the bills have not yet been honoured. It is expected that the payment will be cleared shortly, as compensation for neighbouring villages has been cleared recently.

5. The petitioners stated that although the PESA Committee resolved that distributor canals were not required, the land was still acquired, and mutation took place in favour of the Irrigation Department. As a result, they have been deprived of government support such as Rythu Bandhu and input assistance for oil palm cultivation. They further submitted that the eucalyptus plantations and borewells on their land were not considered during the estimation of compensation.

6. After hearing both the authority and the petitioners, the following recommendations are made and action taken report may be submitted within 30 days of receipt of minutes:

- Either the land may be returned to the farmers or the compensation should be enhanced and revalued at the current market price, in line with the rates recently given to farmers in Julurpadu, since 5 years have elapsed from the date of the compensation award in 2019.
- The fresh notification for the acquisition of 43 acres of land may be put on hold until the procedure for the previous acquisition is completed and concluded.
- As the oil palm plantations and borewells in the plantations have been lost, compensation is to be recalculated by including these as well. The District Agricultural Department may submit a report on the productivity of the acquired lands to assist in estimating their value.
- The Secretary, Irrigation Department, may attend the next scheduled sitting and provide reasons for the delay in payment of compensation.



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List of participants of the sitting held on 18.07.2025 at under the chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, NCST

Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Address & Phone No.	Signature
I	<u>National Commission for Scheduled Tribes</u>		
1.	Dr. P.K Reddy Director		
2.	NCST Officials		
II	<u>Collector & District Magistrate, Bhadradi Kothagudem</u>		
Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Address & Phone No.	Signature
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III	<u>Petitioner</u>		
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