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To

- The Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, Central Secretariat, New Delhi. Fax No. 011 23093003.
- The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Secretariat, Shimla – 171001 Fax: 0177-2621813.
- 3. The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir, Civil Secretariat, Srinagar – 190001 (J&K), Fax: -0194-2452356.

- The Principal Secretary, Revenue Department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002. Fax No. 0177-2621154.
- Revenue Secretary, Civil Secretariat Jammu, Revenue Department, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir, Srinagar-190001. Fax No. 0194-2473828.
- 7. The Deputy Commissioner, District Lahaul & Spiti, Lahaul Block, Keylong – 175132. Himachal Pradesh.
- The Deputy Commissioner, District Kullu, Kullu,175101, Himachal Pradesh.
- 6. The Survey General of India, Hathibarkala Estate, Dehra Dun, Pin - 248 001. Fax No. 0135-2744064, 2743331.

10. The Deputy Commissioner, Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council, District Kargil Jammu and Kashmir Pin: 194 105.

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9. The Deputy Commissioner, LAHDC, Leh, Jammu & Kashmir, Fax: 01982 25106.

Representation dated nil received from Shri Tenzin Sonam, Councillor Lungnak, LAHDC Kargil, R/o Ichar Sub: Lungnak, P.O. Padum Zanskar, Distt. Kargil Ladakh, Jammu & Kashmir regarding border issue between Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir bordering Sarchu and Zanskar Sumdho.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose a copy of the minutes of the Proceedings of the Sitting held in the NCST on 29/04/2016 on the above mentioned subject for necessary action. Action Taken Report may be submitted to the Commission as soon as possible.

As above Encl:

Yours faithfully,

(Pramod Chand)

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India



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Proceedings of the Sitting held under the Chairmanship of Shri Ravi Thakur, Hon'ble VC, NCST on the representation, dated 29/04/2016 at 1100 A.M. received from Shri Tenzin Sonam, Councillor Lungnak, LAHDC Kargil, R/o Ichar Lungnak, P.O. Padum Zanskar, Distt. Kargil Ladakh, Jammu & Kashmir regarding border issue between Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir bordering Sarchu and Zanskar Sumdho.

Hon'ble Vice Chairperson, NCST held a Sitting with the Secretary (Home) Govt. of India, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir, Secretary (Revenue) Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Secretary (Revenue), Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir, Director General, Survey of India, Dehradun, Deputy Commissioner, Lahaul & Kashmir, Deputy Commissioner, Kullu District, Deputy Commissioner, Leh District, Deputy Commissioner, Kargil District, Jammu & Kashmir for discussion in the matter on 29/04/2016 at 1100 A.M. in the NCST Headquarters, New Delhi. List of Participants is placed at Annexure – A.

Discussion

Shri Vedantum Giri, Joint Secretary, (NDCC) and Shri A. K. Singh Manish, Under Secretary (NDCC), Ministry of Home; Shri A.P. Singh, Resident Commissioner, Himachal Pradesh; Shri Tsering Mutup, SDM, Nyoma, Leh Ladakh, Jammu & Kashmir; Shri Maj Vivek Malik, Survey of India; Shri Vivek Bhatia, Deputy Commissioner, Lahaul, Himachal Pradesh attended the Sitting on the day.

The matter was discussed in length. The Commission asked the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs to explain the position of Ministry of Home Affairs on the issue. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs submitted that issue of Demarcation of Boundary of Border between Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir at the Sarchu and Zanskar Sumdho is subject matter of the Survey General of India and the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh & Jammu & Kashmir and on the report of Survey General of India necessary action will be taken by the Ministry of Home Affairs. Survey of India submitted that Boundary already existed in the area and the same was demarcated in the presence of Deputy Commissioners concerned of the districts.

Deputy Commissioner, Lahaul submitted that boundary in the area already existed. The present dispute is arising as taxes / duties are imposed by the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh on the businessmen of these areas.

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Commission advised that on the basis of the record of demarcated boundary of the area completed in 1984 in the presence of Deputy Commissioners concerned of both the Staess Survey of India should take up the work of demarcating the boundaries at the disputed areas afresh in the presence of Deputy Commissioners concerned of the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh and Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir. Pillars of boundary in these areas may also be erected.

Commission advised that Survey of India submit the demarcation report to the Ministry of Home Affairs and National Commission for Scheduled Tribes. On the basis of the report of Survey of India, both the State Govts. will be asked by the Ministry of Home Affairs to stick to this demarcated boundary. If the problem is not resolved the Commission will fix another Sitting with the Chief Secretaries of both the State Govt., Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs and Survey General of India.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

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