



Government of India National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (A Constitutional Commission set up under Art. 338A of the Constitution of India)

File No. AK/12/2016/MDEF2/SEOTH/RU-IV

25.10.2016

To,

The Director General, Sashatra Seema Bal, SSB Hqrs, East Block – 5, R.K. Puram, New Delhi – 100 066.

Sub: Representation of Shri Anand Kumar, President, Ex-Paramilitary Forces Wel. Asso. Spiti, HP regarding granting canteen and medical facility to ex-paramilitary forces personnel's.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose a copy of the Proceedings of the Sitting held in the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes on 01.09.2016 on the above mentioned subject for necessary action and to send the action taken report to the Commission at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

(V.P. Shahi)
Assistant Director

Copy to:-

Shri Anand Kumar,
President,
Ex-Paramilitary Forces Wel. Asso.,
Distt. Lahoul and Spiti,
Himachal Pradesh.

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Proceedings of sitting taken by Hon'ble Vice-Chairperson, NCST on 01.09.2016 at 03.00 p.m. in case of Shri Anand Kumar, President, Exparamilitary Forces Wel. Association, Spiti, Himachal Pradesh regarding for granting the canteen and medical facility to Ex-Paramilitary Forces personnel.

Date of Sitting: 01.09.2016

List of officers present in the sitting is at Annexure-I.

- 1. Representation dated 27/10/2014 received from Shri Anand Kumar, President, Ex- paramilitary Forces Welfare Association, Spiti, Himachal Pradesh regarding extending canteen and medical facilities to ex-paramilitary forces personnel.
- 2. The petitioner submitted that the Ex-army personnel have been provided the facility of canteen and medical facility.
- 3. The petitioner submits that the personnel be provided mobile canteen twice a month from the nearest canteen i.e. S.S.B. Canteen stationed at Shamshi or I.T.B.P. Canteen stationed at Babeli in Kullu district, H.P., etc. Secondly, the petitioner also suggested that medical facilities be provided to the Ex-paramilitary forces at the nearest hospital and that the hospital be specifically marked for the same purpose.
- 4. In this regard, a notice dated 11/11/2014 was sent to the Director-General, Sashastra Seema Bal, SSB Headquarters, New Delhi to submit facts and information regarding the same.

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- 5. Reply dated 14/08/2016 was received from the Office of the Director General, Sashastra Seema Bal, New Delhi.
- 6. On perusal of the matter, the Hon'ble Vice Chairperson Shri Ravi Thakur decided to discuss the matter with the Director General, Sashastra Seema Bal and therefore a sitting was fixed on 01/09/2016 at the NCST Headquarters. The petitioner was also called for the sitting.
- 7. In the sitting the respondents explained that all ex- CAPF personnel irrespective of their Force affiliation can avail CPC facility. Even state police personnel can avail the canteen facilities. However, they added that where they are not deployed then they can't do anything about providing such canteen facilities, and there was no provision for mobile canteen facility under CPC (Central Police Canteen). The nearest canteen facility for the petitioners is available in Lahaul and Spiti where the ITBP is deployed.
- 8. The Commission pointed out that though there may be a canteen facility available under the ITBP unit, the supply would not be enough for meeting the entire needs of the personnel. Further adequate windows should be provided to meet the needs of the ex- personnel to avail the canteen facility considering those ex-personnel who live in far flung areas keeping in mind the difficult climate and terrain of the region. The Hon'ble VC noted that since the paramilitary forces are highly concentrated in the tribal and border areas, proper windows should be opened for the welfare of the ex-servicemen in which all required canteen facilities, amenities, liquor, toiletries, etc. are available in adequate quantities, or else mobile canteen may be deployed.
- 9. Concerning medical facilities, medical I-card is being issued to the retired CAPF personnel to avail medical facilities for themselves and their dependent family members from nearby composite hospital. For availing medical I- card they may apply with their parent unit from where they

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proceeded on retirement. Apart from this they can also avail CGHS facility but for this they have to forgo the monthly medical allowance of Rs. 500 per month.

- 10. The Commission decided that an advice be given to the Secretary, Home Department, regarding the possibility of opening canteen window facilities in difficult and far flung areas for the welfare of the ex-personnel or the possibility of deploying mobile vans. It was also decided that action taken by the Home Department may be conveyed to the Commission within 2 months on this matter.
- The Commission concluded that better facilities should be given to the 11. ex-personnel and a further sitting could be proposed with the DG CRPF cum Chairman, CAC, CPC as far as canteen facilities are concerned in the coming days.

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

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Annexure-1

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List of participants

NCST

- 1. Shri Ravi Thakur, Hon'ble Vice Chairperson (In chair)
- 2. Smt. K. D. Bhansor, Director
- 3. Ms. N. Singsit, Assistant Section Officer

Officers of Sashatra Seema Bal, New Delhi

- 1. Shri Bhanu Updyay, (IG (Admn)
- 2. Shri S. Boom, AO

Petitioners