

Record Note of the Meeting of the National Commission for Minorities held on 11th October, 2023

A meeting of the National Commission for Minorities was held at 11:30A.M on 11th October, 2023 in the Chamber of Hon'ble Chairman.

2. The following were present:

- i. Shri Iqbal Singh Lalpura, Chairman
- ii. Shri Kersi K. Deboo, Vice Chairman
- iii. Ms. Rinchen Lhamo, Member
- iv. Shri Dhanyakumar Jinappa Gunde, Member

3. In Attendance: Shri Daniel E. Richards, Joint Secretary, Shri Manoj Kumar Singh, Deputy Secretary, Shri Shariq Saeed, Under Secretary and Shri Suman Kumar, Under Secretary.

Agenda Item No. 1: Confirmation of the record notes of the Meeting of the Commission held on 13.09.2023.

4. Confirmed. Regarding Point No.4 of Agenda item No.9, Chairman directed M(DJG) to visit Mangu Math at Odisha, Vice Chairman to visit Kutch, Gujarat regarding Sikh farmers issue. Regarding issue of Gyan Godri at Uttrakhand, Chairman stated that M (RL) has visited the site. D.O. letter has been written to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Uttar Pradesh and Uttrakhand. He emphasized that a meeting with both Chief Ministers is needed to settle the long pending matter.

Agenda Item No. 2: Tour report of Shri Kersi K Deboo, Vice Chairman to Bhavnagar, Surat and Navsari (Gujarat) from 25th August, 2023 to 11th September, 2023.

5. Approved.

Agenda Item No. 3: Tour report of Ms. Rinchan Lhamo to U.T. of Ladakh from 2nd September, 2023 to 11th September, 2023.

6. Approved.

Agenda Item No.4: Tour report of Ms. Rinchan Lhamo to U.T. of Ladakh from 14th September, 2023 to 15th September, 2023.

7. Approved.

Agenda Item No. 5: Tour report of Shri Dhanyakumar Jinappa Gunde to District Dharwad, Karnataka from 14th September, 2023 to 15th September, 2023.

8. Approved.

Agenda Item No. 6: Tour report of Shri Dhanyakumar Jinappa Gunde to Districts Thiruvananthapuram and Kanyakumari, Kerala from 19th September, 2023 to 22nd September, 2023.

9. Approved.

Agenda Item No. 7: Tour report of Ms. Syed Shahezadi, Member to Districts Adilabad, Nirmal and Hyderabad, Telangana from 26th August, 2023 to 11th September, 2023.

10. Deferred due to leave of absence of M (SS).

Agenda Item No. 8: Tour report of Ms. Syed Shahezadi, Member to District Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh from 4th October, 2023 to 5th October, 2023.

11. Deferred due to leave of absence of M (SS).

Agenda Item No. 9: Tour report of Ms. Rinchan Lhamo to Uttarakhand from 25th September, 2023 to 27th September, 2023.

12. Approved.

Agenda Item No. 10: Regarding instructions on channel of submission of grievances, their disposal, diary and other instructions.

13. Approved. However, details of number of complaints received, their pendency, disposal and at various stages of processing should be submitted to Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and Secretary on weekly basis. However, any matter of urgent attention should be brought to the notice of Chairman/Vice Chairman/Members immediately.

Agenda Item No.11: Any other items with the permission of the Chairman

14. Regular meetings of all communities may be held where intellectuals, outstanding sports performers, Retd. Judges & Army Officers etc. may be invited. To start with such meetings, a meeting with Sikh minorities may be held in early November, 2023, preferably in Chandigarh.

15. Minorities Day will be celebrated on 18th December, 2023 wherein Hon'ble Prime Minister is proposed to be invited and felicitation of Asian games medalist & old Mahavir Chakra/Paramveer Chakra from Minority community may be explored.

The meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.
