



राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग
National Commission for Scheduled Tribes
(भारत के संविधान के अनुच्छेद 338क के अंतर्गत एक संवैधानिक निकाय)
(A Constitutional body under Article 338A of the Constitution of India)

F. No. NCST/ATY-784/RJ/25/2022-ESDW

Dated: 26.05.2023

To,

The Vice-Chancellor,
University of Rajasthan,
JLN Marg, Jaipur,
Rajasthan - 302004.
E-Mail: vcuorj@gmail.com

Sub: Minutes of the Sitting taken by Shri Ananta Nayak, Hon'ble Member, NCST, New Delhi on 23.05.2023 at 12:30 PM on the representation dated 12.11.2022 from Shri Pushpendra Singh, DBN Hostel, Room No. 42, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur, Rajasthan-302004 regarding Discrimination and Violation of 'Lyngdoh Committee Guidelines and RUSU Constitution' in the University Election.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of Minutes of the Sitting taken by Shri Ananta Nayak, Hon'ble Member, NCST, New Delhi on 23.05.2023 at 12:30 PM on the above mentioned subject for information and necessary action.

2. You are directed to send the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the recommendations of the Commission **within 07 days** from the date of receiving of the Minutes.

Encl: as Above.

Yours faithfully,


(H.R. Meena)
Research Officer

Copy for information to: -

1. **Shri Pushpendra Singh,**
DBN Hostel, Room No. 42,
University of Rajasthan,
Jaipur, Rajasthan-302004

2. **NIC Cell for upload in NCST
Website.**

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Minutes of the Sitting held under the Chairmanship of Shri Ananta Nayak, Hon'ble Member, NCST on the representation from Shri. Pushpendra Singh who has raised concerns over the discrepancies and anomalies in the Research Student Union Election 2022.

Date of the Sitting: 13.05.2023

List of Participants: As per Annexure

The Commission has received a representation dated 26/06/2021 from Shri. Pushpendra Singh alleging that there are several discrepancies and anomalies in the Research Student Union Election 2022, including the removal of many sections from the RUSU constitution without proper amendment, the selection of an ineligible candidate, and disqualification of candidates after the implementation of the code of conduct. The interpretation committee added new rules against the RUSU constitution, which is illegal, and there was no new decision related to research student union elections taken in the Syndicate meeting held on August 13, 2022, nor was there a meeting related to the elections of the Syndicate after that. However, due to caste discrimination and political pressure, the university administration made discrepancies, which went against the rules. The petitioner alleges that due to such illegalities he lost the election with a margin of only six votes.

Considering the allegations as serious, the Commission issued notice to Shri. Rajeev Jain, Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University, on 12/12/2022 seeking Action Taken Report (ATR) within 15 days.

Since the Authorities fail to act upon the issue, the Commission held a Sitting on 17.04.2023, wherein the Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University sought exemption, and deputed the Dean, Students Welfare, who is also the Chief Returning Officer of the Rajasthan University Students' Union Election as per Constitution of RUSU, to appear before the Commission

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The Commission had expressed serious displeasure on the lackadaisical attitude on deputing the Dean, Students Welfare instead of personal appearance before the Commission. Further the Commission directed that in the next hearing the Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University shall be present in person along with the following documents:

1. Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University shall provide the copy of the List of 11sydicate Members
2. Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University shall provide the Notification copy of Research Student Union Election 2022.
3. Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University shall provide the copy of Code of Conduct
4. Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University shall provide the report on what grounds the amendments have taken place in RUSU Constitution 2017 along with the legality of the procedure followed.
5. Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University shall provide the copy of Candidature list along with the registration details and the Winning Candidature Details.

Keeping in view of the seriousness of the issue and the lackadaisical attitude of the authorities on submission of the reports as per the recommendation of the Commission in the given period, the Commission issued Summons to Shri. Rajeev Jain, Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University.

In the hearing held on 23.05.2023, the Petitioner submitted that there are several discrepancies and anomalies in the Research Student Union Election 2022, including the removal of many sections from the RUSU constitution without proper amendment, the selection of an ineligible candidate, and disqualification of candidates after the implementation of the code of conduct. The interpretation committee added new rules against the RUSU constitution, which is illegal, and there was no new decision related to the election taken in the Syndicate meeting related to Research Student Union Election 2022. The petitioner also produced certain documents obtained by him under the RTI Act to substantiate his allegations.

Shri. Rajeev Jain, Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University submitted that in regard to the allegations on the changes to RUSU Constitution, Committee for the interpretation and removal of doubts was constituted. The Committee has only

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interpreted the RUSU constitution, neither have they changed the RUSU constitution, nor they overruled their jurisdiction. All changes are made according to the RUSU constitution 2017, and University has conducted free and fair election process. He further sought 7days time to submit the detailed report on the allegations made by the petitioner and requested the Commission to issue Summons to NeelimaTakshak, Registrar (University of Rajasthan), Prof. Sarina Kalia, Former Dean Student welfare Rajasthan University and Prof. Naresh Malik, Dean student welfare, Rajasthan University along with the Vice Chancellor in the next hearing for reaching at logical conclusion.

After the discussion, the Commission recommends the followings:

1. Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University has to submit detailed report on the grounds of the amendments in RUSU Constitution 2017 along with the legalities of the procedure followed within 7 days.

The petitioner may submit his rejoinder in the mean time. The Commission will further hear the matter on priority to reach logical conclusion of the entire issues.

In the next date of hearing the Vice chancellor, University of Rajasthan, NeelimaTakshak, Registrar (University of Rajasthan), Prof. Sarina Kalia, Former Dean Student welfare Rajasthan University and Prof. Naresh Malik, Dean student welfare, Rajasthan University shall remain personally present.

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(ANNEXURE)

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS: -

National Commission for Scheduled Tribes		
S. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Shri Ananta Nayak	Hon'ble Member
2.	Dr. Jayant Sarode	Director
3.	Sh. Radhakanta Tripathy	Special Rapporteur
4.	Sh. Avinash Mattur	Legal Consultant
Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University, Rajasthan		
S. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Prof. Rajeev Jain	VC University of Rajasthan
Petitioner		
1.	Sh. Pushpendra Singh	Petitioner