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National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

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Dated 10.12.2013

To

1. The Secretary,
Ministry of Shipping,
Transport Marg,
Sansad Bhawan,
New Delhi
2. The Chairman,
University Grant Commission,
Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg,
ITO, Delhi
2. The Vice Chancellor,
Indian Maritime University,
East Coat Road,
Uthandi,
Chennai – 600 119 (TN)

Sub: Representation of Shri Manish Oraon and others regarding concession in college fees for ST students in the Indian Maritime University.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Sitting taken by Hon'ble Chairperson, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes in the above matter with Secretary, Ministry of Shipping, Secretary, University Grants Commission, and Vice Chancellor, Indian Maritime University, Chennai on 23.09.2013 and to enclose a copy of the proceedings of the Sitting for taking necessary action and report/action taken/compliance to the Commission at an early date.

Yours faithfully,


(K.D. Bhansor) Mrs.
Deputy Director

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Proceedings of the sitting taken by the Chairperson, NCST on 23.09.2013 to discuss the case of Shri Manish Oraon and others regarding withdrawal of concession in College fees structure for ST students in the middle of the session by the Indian Maritime University, Chennai.

1. List of the participants in the meeting is annexed.

2. Shri Manish Oraon, P.O.Ghaghra, P.S. Bero, District Ranchi, Jharkhand and Shri M.L. Meena, Alwar, Rajasthan submitted representations dated 28.06.2013 and 02.08.2013 respectively to the Commission regarding withdrawal of the concession in college fees to ST students by the Indian Maritime University, Chennai. The student reported that at the time of admission the fees structure prescribed for B.Tech course in the Broucher of the Indian Maritime University was as under:-

Course	Category	Fees for First Semester	Fees for Second Semester	Total Fees* for male cadets
B.Sc. (Nautical Science) & B.Sc (Maritime Science)	General & OBC	Rs. 123000/- which includes admission fees of Rs. 10000/-	Rs. 97000/-	Rs. 220000/- per annum
	SC/ST	Rs. 77000/- which includes admission fees of Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 56000/-	Rs. 133000/- Per annum
B.Tech. (Marine Engineering) & B.Tech (Naval Architecture & Ocean Engineering)	General & OBC	Rs. 135000/- which includes admission fees of Rs. 10000/-	Rs. 90000/-	Rs. 225000/- Per annum
	SC/ST	Rs. 80000/- which includes admission fees of Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 55000/-	Rs. 135000/- Per annum

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3. As per prescribed fees structure the ST students took admission and paid the required fees and were admitted to the courses. Now IMU is asking the ST students to pay Rs. 2.25 at par with those of other students of IMU.
4. The NCST sought the comments on the representation vide its letter dated 14.08.2013, from the Secretary, Ministry of Shipping, Chairperson, University Grant Commission and the Vice Chancellor, Indian Maritime University, Chennai. The Controller of Examinations, Indian Maritime University, Chennai vide letter dated 26.08.2013 intimated that the fee collection from ST students at IMU Chennai has been made in par with those of other students categories, based on the decision made by IMU's competent authorities. The petitioners were informed of the reply vide letter dated 04.09.2013.
5. The students made further representation and met the Hon'ble Chairperson. The Commission desired to hold a Sitting on 23.09.2013 with the Secretary, Ministry of Shipping, Chairman, University Grant Commission, Delhi and the Vice Chancellor, Indian Maritime University, Chennai to find out the reason for withdrawal of fees concession to ST students in the middle of the session and decision taken by IMU against the Govt. policy on reservation and safeguard provided to STs under the Constitution.
6. The Secretary, M/o Shipping, Chairperson, UGC and Vice Chancellor, Indian Maritime University appeared before the Commission on 23.09.2013. Having deliberated on the subject, it was revealed that the IMU has not adhered to conditions prescribed in their prospectus of admission for concession given to ST students and they violated the terms of contract and without consulting the concerned authorities.
7. The Secretary, M/o Shipping & Transport assured to look into the matter.

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In view of above withdrawal of concession, the Commission advised:

- I. that Indian Maritime University will strictly follow the implementation of Reservation Policy of Govt. of India.
 - II. that "noticing the controversy in the fee structure in IMU based on the representation of ST students as per prospectus of the year 2009, Vice Chancellor, Indian Maritime University assured that he would place the entire case before the Executive Committee for its resolution for continuation of concession allowed to the SC/ST students admitted as provided in the prospectus.
 - III. The Vice Chancellor, IMU will allow/permit the ST students to appear in the examinations which was scheduled to start from 25.09.2013 and report its compliance to the Commission.
 - IV. The Vice Chancellor, IMU, would refer the cases of ST students to Ministry of Tribal Affairs for consideration of scholarship/fees etc under intimation to NCST.
8. The compliance/action taken in the matter may be sent to the Commission within one month from the date of issue of the proceedings.

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Annexure

List of participants

NCST

1. Dr. Rameshwar Oraon, Hon'ble Chairperson
2. Shri Aditya Mishra, Joint Secretary
3. Mrs. K.D. Bhansor, Deputy Director
4. Shri H.R. Meena, Sr. Investigator

Ministry of Shipping

1. Shri Vishwapati Trivedi, Secretary
2. Shri M.S. Janhavy, Joint Secretary
3. Shri Ashwani Kumar, Director

University Grants Commission

Dr. Akhilesh Gupta, Secretary

Indian Maritime University, Chennai

Capt. Mukesh Bavegs, Vice Chancellor

Petitioner

1. Shri M.L. Meena
2. Shri Robert Soren
3. Shri Santosh Kr. Baraik
4. Shri Manish Oraon