

**Delhi Minorities Commission**  
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## **1. Meaningful Year of DMC**

- 1.1** The Delhi Minorities Commission made meaningful strides during the year 2009-10 under the guidance of the State Government. Smt. Sheila Dikshit, Chief Minister of Delhi played a proactive role in this process. The Prime Minister's new 15-point programme for the Welfare of the Minorities provided insights in encouraging the Delhi Minorities Commission to pursue the tasks vigorously.
- 1.2** The year under review was a period of change and challenges in the NCT as it was undergoing unprecedented growth in keeping with the overall problems of the mega polis's status in the country, and as an important City/Capital in the global scenario. Delhi's attraction for people belonging to different parts of the Country has been part of our history and culture but it equally holds true to the contemporary times as well. The minority/ethnic groups in this regard have always occupied a special place in the agenda of the Government for providing special facilities to remain in the mainstream of the economy and society. As such the challenges before the Delhi Minorities Commission are manifold and ever-growing. The Minorities comprises of Muslims (11.72%), Sikhs (04.05%), Christians (00.94%), Buddhists (00.17%) and others (00.01%) in the Capital Territory's total population.
- 1.3** The 3<sup>rd</sup> Minorities Commission at its very first meeting on 15-05-2007 dedicated itself to consolidate the work done by earlier two Commissions as well as break fresh ground. The Commission built bridges with Commission of other States for increasing the benefits of the minorities residing in their States.
- 1.4** The 3<sup>rd</sup> Minorities Commission at its meeting with Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi apprised her of their own problems of space and shortage of staff requirement in fulfilling the objectives of Commission. The Commission put forward its innovative scheme.

## **2. Welfare Activities**

The welfare activities in the field of education and vocational courses has adopted by the Commission as a comprehensive approach for the benefit of Notified Minority Communities in Delhi. In the intervention of activities worthy of special mention is the part played by the empanelled NGOs DCVS, Allama Rafiq Trust, DBS and Institute of Objective Studies (IOS). In addition to imparting free of cost computer and development of other skills to the Minority groups, the aim had been to fulfill the objectives of Prime Minister's New 15 Point programme for the Welfare of Minorities.

## **3. Seminars / Workshops**

- 3.1** A Seminar on "Education in Women Belonging to Minorities" was organized by the Commission with Har Ustat Foundation Society in 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2009 at Mata Sundari College for Women, New Delhi.
- 3.2** A Seminar on SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES OF GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI was organized by Commission in 11<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at Heinz Auditorium, YMCA, New Delhi. Mr. H. S. Hanspal, Member of National Commission for Minorities, Govt. of India, was the Chief Guest of the programme. The main concern of the seminar was to highlight various scholarship schemes of the Delhi Govt. and provide necessary information to the needy students. Mr. V. K. Bahal, Deputy Secretary, Department for the welfare of SC/ST/OBC/MINORITIES was the main spokesperson along with the other speakers.
- 3.3** The Commission has organized the Seminar on 'Challenges- Integrated Growth of Minorities (Ways & Means)' at New Friends Club, New Delhi on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2009 in association with Har Ustat Foundation Society and it was inaugurated by H. E. Lt. Governor of Pondicherry, Mr. IQBAL SINGH.



3.4 The Commission has organized 24 Mini-Workshops in different minority dominated areas as Boudh Vihar-East Delhi, Bhikam Singh Colony- East Delhi, New Sanjay Amar Colony- East Delhi, Jafrabad-New Delhi, Seelampur- North East, Usmanpur- North East, Jahageer puri-North Delhi, Okhla- South Delhi, Abul Fazal Enclave- South Delhi, Near Jamia- South Delhi, Majnu ka Tila- Civil line Delhi, Tilak Nagar- West Delhi, Vishnu Garden- West Delhi, Boddhist colony-Rani Jhansi Road, Majbbor Nagar-East Delhi, Mulla colony- East Delhi, Trilokpuri- East Delhi, Tilak Nagar II-West Delhi, Jhimil- North East Delhi, Nangloi- North Delhi, Mukundpur- North Delhi, Govindpuri- South Delhi, Chander Vihar- East Delhi and Geeta colony- East Delhi, of Delhi to create awareness among Minority Communities on "The Welfare Schemes of KVIC (Khadi and Village Industries Commission, Govt. of India) for Minorities of Delhi" have benefited at large. It has the landmark in the history of the Commission. The Commission had also appointed DCVS -Delhi Competitive & Vocational Society (an empanelled NGO) as the Nodal Agency to look after work of workshops and to co-ordinate with KVIC and DMC. (see below KVIC programme on 29.01.2010)







29 Jan 2010 K.V.I.C programme



30 Jan 2010 K.V.I.C programme



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31 Jan 2010 K.V.I.C programme





06 Feb 2010 K.V.I.C programme



07 Feb 2010 K.V.I.C programme



07 Feb 2010 K.V.I.C programme

3.5 Maharishi Valmiki College of Education has organized a seminar on "Education for Peace & Harmony" at A. N. Basu Auditorium, Delhi University-Delhi on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2010 with support of Delhi Minorities Commission.

#### 4. U. N. Minorities Rights Day

Delhi Minorities Commission on U. N. Minorities Rights Day, were celebrated by DMC on 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2009 at YMCA auditorium. Smt. Sheila Dikshit, Chief Minister was the Chief Guest. The Mr. Kamal Faruqi, Chairman of DMC and its members Shri Pushendra Singh and Shri Arnold James were present. Shri Manoj Chauhan, Secretary of DMC was also present. The purpose of the Seminar was to focus on the Rights of Minorities in all over the India and also distributed Jute Bags by DMC to the participants.



## **5. New Initiatives Taken by DMC**

**5.2** Preparation of the Annual Reports: The Commission prepared annual reports of the years 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2008-09 with contracted its empanelled NGO, Operational Research and Development Services (ORDS).

### **5.1. DMC participation in Meri Dilli Utsav**

Delhi Minorities Commission has participated in MERI DILLI UTSAV a programme of Delhi Government highlighting the development work being done by various department of Delhi Govt. in Meri Dilli Utsav was held from 9<sup>th</sup> October 2009 to 11<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at Punjabi Bagh Stadium, New Delhi. Commission has a stalled with regard to that programme. This responsibility assigned to DCVS the empanelled NGO.

### **5.2. Awareness, Counseling and Coaching Classes**

DMC has assigned a project to Allama Rafiq Trust on Medical and Professional Courses awareness, counseling and coaching classes for competitive exam in minorities dominated areas of Delhi.

### **5.3. Vocational Courses**

- I. DMC provides vocational training to Minorities youth through Delhi Brotherhood Society, an empanelled NGO on mobile, computer, electronic & electrical.
- II. Institute of Objective Studies (IOS) provided free of cost computer Training of the highest quality to the deserving Girls candidate of Minorities Community with financial of Delhi Minority Commission.
- III. Commission has assigned a work to DCVS, an empanelled NGO, to preparation of Directory on religious Minorities managed School/ Educational Institution in Delhi.

## **6. Complaints**

**6.1** During the year under review the Delhi Minorities Commission in all received and disposal of as many as 56 complaints of various natures.



6.2 Commission has received complaints against Anti Social Elements, Police, Bhagwa Brigade, Land Mafia, DMRC, School/College, and Waqf Board matter, Land Lord, Embezzlement of money, DDA, Local goons, DSSSB, MCD, MLA, DIP, Local person, 1984 Riot compensation, Theft, IGNOU, LIC and DC revenue. During the year Commission has received 56 Complaints out of them about 30% complaints were against Police department. Out of received complaints 9-10 Cases were either closed or settled and rest was forwarded to concerned authorities and followed up for speedy decision.

**6.3. Cancellation of allotment of land at Sector 16 Block, Rohini for Construction of the Mosque**

Dargah-e-Islamia Intezamia Committee, a regd. Society had applied for a piece of land for construction of the mosque. Their application said to have been recommended by the local M.P. and MLA. Based on their application dated 16.07.2004. DDA allotted 407.17 sq. mt. of land to the society for construction of the mosque on 29.09.2008. The demand of Rs.45.04 lakh was paid by the Society on 26.11.08. DDA vide their letter dated 01.06.09 issued a former letter of allotment and the physical possession of the land was handed over and taken over by DDA and the society and Muslims started offering the prayers at the site. Thereafter DDA arbitrarily cancelled the said allotment on 07.07.09 without giving any opportunity of being heard to the allottee. DDA while cancelling the allotment observed "the Competent Authority has ordered that considering the objections of the local residents and RWA, it will not be desirable to continue with allotment of land for a Mosque at its present location. The above allotment is, therefore, withdrawn with immediate effect".

The allottee approached the National Commission for Minorities on 20.07.09 wherein the Vice-Chairperson (DDA), Principal Commission (DDA), Joint Commissioner of Police, Delhi, Joint Secretary (UD, Govt. of NCT of Delhi) and

the representative of the allottee were present. The Hon'ble Commission after considering various facts made the following observations:

"Since the action taken by DDA is arbitrary and against the basic principles of natural justice and the decision to cancel the allotment also violates the secular and democratic values of this country, DDA should, therefore, immediately withdraw the land allotment cancellation order in this case. Delhi Police should provide security to the people who are lawfully constructing the Mosque and offering 'Namaz' there. The law and order must be maintained."

To the above the respondent agreed to do the needful and send the action report to the Commission very shortly. On 25.08.09 the allottee have made representation before this Commission the allottee have made a representation before this Commission that the authorities and police are making all sorts of pressure on the allottee and advising them to vacate the place immediately.

This being a very serious matter and as it pertains to jurisdiction of NCT, the notices be issued to all the authorities concerned to explain their conduct. DDA should also be specifically asked as to why the sufficient provision has not been made for the religious place of worships for various communities in the development of DDA. Specific reference to the refusal of allotment for Masjid in Pitam Pura area in the institutional area. The authorities should also explain as to how and when are they going to take the corrective steps in this regard. The meeting of the concerned authorities called immediately.

## 7. Achievements of DMC

- 7.1 The Delhi Minorities Commission has been launched a full fledge website so that you can the website and find out the details information about minority related Welfare Schemes, Government Welfare Schemes, Educational Schemes and Scholarship Schemes. You can also to get knowledge about complains directly

from Commissions website. DMC had put the Hoarding regarding information about DMC in various places of Delhi.

## **8. Legal Counseling**

- 8.1** A panel of 6 advocates has been prepared and each member to recommend 2 names and if need be more will be added later. The names of advocates to be included in the panel have been decided by the Commission and the empanelled advocates are being paid honorarium as per the approved rates. A small advertisement in the newspapers would be given to intimate the minority's communities to come up in the office of the commission on the designated Friday to get their matter sorted out by legal expert. Shri Kapil Sibal Hon'ble M.P. who was requested to inaugurate the camp.
- 8.2** The first free legal Counseling Camp was held on 29/03/2008 at 11 AM in the Commission's office.
- 8.3** The following officials, Experts and Advocates who were recently empanelled with the DMC were present in the first ever legal Counseling held.

### **These are:**

11. Mr. Kamal Faruqui, Hon'ble Chairman
12. Mr. Arnold James, Member
13. Mr. Pushpinder Singh, Member
14. Mr. T.C. Sharma, Deputy Secretary
15. Mr. Jasmeet Singh, Advocate
16. Mr. Surinder Singh, Advocate
17. Mr. Sushil Peter, Advocate
18. Mr. Manoj V. George, Advocate
19. Mr. Firoj Khan Ghazi, Advocate
20. Mr. Amber Qamruddin, Advocate