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1. 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 ARMAN, DCVS, and Institute of Objective Studies (IOS). The aim had been to fulfill the objectives of Prime Minister's New 15 Point programme for the Welfare of Notified Minority Communities.

2. Seminar/Workshop/Research Study

2.1 Workshop

Commission has organized a workshop on KVIC in Raghuveer Nagar, West Delhi through an empanelled NGO, ARMAN. (see the KVIC below programme on 25.04.2010).





The purpose of workshop was to aware the minorities people about the different schemes of self employment for which KVIC grants easy loan.

2.2 Directory on Religious Minorities Managed Schools/ Educational Institutions

Delhi Competitive & Vocational Society, DCVS (An empanelled NGO) prepared a Directory on Religious Minorities managed schools / Educational Institutions in Delhi with the financial support and guidance by the Delhi Minorities Commission.

3. Complaints

3.1. Masjid Site at Sector 16, Rohini- Allotment- Cancellation by DDA

Delhi Minority Commission had taken up the issue of allotment and subsequently cancellation of Masjid land at Sector 16, Block-B, Rohini by DDA.

The Commission brought the following facts in front of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Mrs. Sheila Dikshit for her kind consideration.

That the Petitioner, a regd. Society had succeeded in getting an allotment for 407.17 Sq. Mt. of land from DDA for the Masjid at the noted site. The demand of Rs. 45 lakhs was paid and the physical possession of the land was given on 15.06.2009 by DDA.

The petitioner received a cancellation letter dated 07.07.2009. It was alleged by the petitioner that no opportunity was given by DDA and the cancelation was made arbitrarily. Before approaching Delhi Minority Commission the petitioner had gone to National Commission for Minorities. The Hon'ble National Commission for Minorities had passed very severe order and had observed.

DDA's subsequent action of cancellation of the allotment of the said land under undue and illegal pressure of RWA or else and under the pretext of law and order problem was illegal and unwarranted. The said unilateral action of DDA tantamount bias, prejudice and discrimination against the minority community.

It had further stated that since the action taken by DDA was 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 were lawfully constructing the Masjid and offering 'Namaz' there. The law and order must be maintained.

The respondents agreed to do the needful and send the action taken report to the Commission very shortly."



(See the site of Masjid)

That the DMC held several meetings with the Petitioner, officials of DDA and Police. Since the DDA officials did not attend any meeting thereafter DMC sought a meeting with the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor on the issue. After several reminders the Principal Secretary informed the Commission that the matter is subjudiced at present and one would have to wait for verdict of the Hon'ble Court. It was further stated "final reconciliation efforts in this behalf were progressing".

That to have updated on this case the President of the Masjid Committee was called to this office on 21.04.2010. It is stated by Sh. Iqtedar Hussain, President of the Committee, that after the arbitrary cancellation of the plot by the DDA, the Sanyukta RWA had filed a petition in the High Court for allotment of the Masjid site for Mandir. After subsequently knowing this the Committee also filed a



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petition before the Hon'ble High Court which has stayed the cancellation of the land. Hence at present the original allotment letter is in force. The petitioners have also complained the miserable conditions which they are facing and highly objectionable attitude of some of the communal forces in the area. The petitioners were also alleging that though the role of the police was cooperative but some of the officials were pressurizing them to vacate the place. However, all these facts have to be verified at an appropriate level.

That based on the material facts on record it was a clear case of violation of religious rights of the minorities and the cancellation of the land has been without any legal, technical or moral support.

DMC very earnestly request your honor to kindly look into the matter and help the restoration of Masjid site to the original allottee.

4. Legal Counselling Cell

During the year Commission was not working but on the behalf of DMC office administration look after the Commission work but legal cell was continued as usual on 2nd and last Friday of each month. Administration had given proper guidance to the complainer for solving the problem and forwarded the complaints to the concerned department.