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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES**

**(A Constitutional Commission set up under Art. 338A of the Constitution to investigate and monitor all matters relating to violation of rights and safeguards provided for STs.)**

File No.17/12/Inclusion/2013/RU-III

Dated 30/08/2013

To

Smt. Namita Priyadarshee,  
Director(C&LM)  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs  
Shastri Bhawan,  
New Delhi- 110001

**Sub: Revision of the list of Scheduled Tribes –inclusion of “Dhanuhar/Dhanuwar” communities as synonyms of Dhanwar Scheduled Tribes of Chhattisgarh**

Madam,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. 12016/4/2012-C&LM-I(pt.) dated 08/07/2013 forwarding a copy of the Revision of the list of Scheduled Tribes- Inclusion of ‘Dhanuhar/Dhanwar’ communities as Synonyms of Dhanwar Scheduled Tribes Chhattisgarh on the above subject for seeking comments of NCST and to say that the subject matter was discussed as Agenda Item No- I in the 49<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Commission held on 19/07/2013.

2. The Relevant Extracts from the Summary Record of the meeting of the Commission are enclosed for information and necessary action under intimation to Commission.

Yours faithfully,

(K. D. Bhansor) Mrs.  
Deputy Director

Copy with copies of enclosures forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. SSA (NIC)
2. Assistant Director (Coordination)

(K. D. Bhansor) Mrs.  
Deputy Director

**NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES**

**Sub: Summary record of the 49<sup>th</sup> meeting of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes held at 13:30 HRS on 19/07/2013**

The 49<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Commission was held at 13:30 hrs on 19/07/2013 in the Chamber of the Hon'ble Chairperson, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes in the Loknaya Bhawan, New Delhi. The meeting was presided over by Dr. Rameshwar Oraon, Hon'ble Chairperson, NCST. List of the participants is enclosed at **ANNEXURE**. There were Four Agenda Items for discussion in the meeting. All eight Agenda Items were discussed in the meeting.

2. The decisions taken and the action points that emerged out of the discussions held in the meeting are given below:

<b>Agenda Item I</b>	<b>Revision of the list of Scheduled Tribes –inclusion of “Dhanuhar/Dhanuwar” communities as synonyms of Dhanwar Scheduled Tribes of Chhattisgarh</b>
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3. Ministry of Tribal Affairs, vide letter No. 12016/4/2012- C&ML- I(pt.) dated 08/07/2013 have sought comments of the Commission on the Draft Note for the Cabinet on revision of the list of Scheduled Tribes with inclusion of “Dhanuhar/Dhanuwar” communities as synonyms of Dhanwar Scheduled Tribes of Chhattisgarh.

4. The Commission recalled that the Commission had earlier recommended accepting the proposal of the State Govt. in the matter in its 45<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 23/1/2013. Accordingly, the Commission agreed to further processing of the Draft Cabinet Note .



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File No.17/03/Inclusion/2013/RU-III

Dated 11/04/2013

To

Smt. Namita Priyadarshee,  
Director,  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs  
Shastri Bhawan,  
New Delhi- 110001

**Sub: Inclusion of 'Dhanuhar/Dhanuwar' community as synonyms of Dhanwar, at SI.No. 14 in the list of Scheduled Tribes of Chhattisgarh State**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No.12016/04/2012-C&LM-I dated 12/03/2013 forwarding a copy of the Inclusion of 'Dhanuhar/Dhanuwar' community on the above subject for seeking comments of NCST on the Inclusion of 'Dhanuhar/Dhanuwar' community and to say that the subject matter was discussed as Agenda Item No- XIV in the 45<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Commission held on 20/03/2013.

2. Relevant Extracts from the Summary Record of the meeting of the Commission are enclosed for information and further necessary action. It is requested that information about action taken as per directions contained in the Cabinet Secretariat O.M. No. 1/3/2/2012-Cab. Dated 16/02/2013(Copy enclosed) on the views and observations of National Commission for Scheduled Tribes on the subject matter, and the nature and the manner in which those views have been incorporated, may be forwarded to this Commission urgently for including the same in the Annual Report of the Commission.

Yours faithfully,

  
(K. D. Bhansor) Mrs.  
Deputy Director

Copy with copies of enclosures forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. SSA (NIC) for uploading on the Website of NCST
2. Assistant Director (Coordination)

  
(K. D. Bhansor) Mrs.  
Deputy Director

## NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES

**Subject: Summary record of the 45th meeting of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes held at 15:00 HRS on 20/03/2013.**

The 45<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Commission was held at 15:00 hrs on 20/03/2013 in the Chamber of Hon'ble Chairperson, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes in Loknayak Bhawan, New Delhi. The meeting was presided over by Dr. Rameshwar Oraon, Hon'ble Chairperson, NCST. List of the participants is enclosed at **ANNEXURE**. There were initially four Agenda Items for discussion in the meeting. After issue of notice for the 45<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Commission, several other proposals on policy issues were also received in this Commission for comments/ views of the Commission. With the permission of the Hon'ble Chairperson all those policy matters were also taken up for discussion. In all Agenda Items were discussed in the meeting.

2. The decisions taken and the action points that emerged out of the discussions held in the meeting are given below:

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<b>Agenda Item XIV</b>	<b>Inclusion of 'Dhanuhar/Dhanuwar' community as synonyms of Dhanwar, at Sl.No. 14 in the list of Scheduled Tribes of Chhattisgarh State</b>
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46. Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide letter No. 12016/04/2012-C&LM-I dated 12/03/2013 have sought comments of the Commission on the Inclusion of 'Dhanuhar/ Dhanuwar' community as synonyms of Dhanwar, at Sl.No. 14 in the list of Scheduled Tribes of Chhattisgarh State. The recommendation of the Registrar General of India made vide his DO No. 8/01/2003-SS (Chhattisgarh)-Pt. dated 06/03/2013 has also been received along with the proposal.

47. The Commission noted that RGI vide letter dated 06/03/2013 has supported the proposal based on the standard published ethnographic literature and other material available with them. It is stated that DHANUHAR and DHANUWAR are synonym of the

DHANWAR community specified as ST in relation to the State of Chhattisgarh as DHANUHAR (धनुहार) and DHANUWAR (धनुवार) are the terms used in colloquial language for DHANWAR (धनवर). It is also noted from the study conducted by the Govt. of Chhattisgarh that the total population of the DHANUHAR/ DHANUWAR Community is 1065 out of which male population is 543 (50.99%) and female population is 522 (49.01%) and therefore this name should be added as synonym to the existing entry of DHANWAR. In view of the study report of the State Government and the opinion of the Registrar General of India, the Commission recommended accepting the proposed amendment.

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No. 1/3/2/2012-Cab.  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)  
CABINET SECRETARIAT (MANTRIMANDAL SACHIVALAYA)  
RASHTRAPATI BHAVAN

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New Delhi, the 16<sup>th</sup> February 2012

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject:- Instructions on preparation of notes for the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees/Empowered Group of Ministers/Group of Ministers.**

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The undersigned is directed to state that some instances have been brought to the notice of the Government where the National Commission for the Scheduled Castes, and/or the National Commission for the Scheduled Tribes have not been consulted as envisaged under the Constitution on major policy matters affecting the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes, respectively, by the Ministries/Departments concerned. All Ministries/Departments have, keeping in view the Constitutional mandate of Article 338(9) and Article 338A(9), been advised *vide* Cabinet Secretary's D.O. letters no. 701/6/4/2007-CA.V dated 20.11.2007 and 703/1/1/2011-CA.V dated 04.01.2012 to ensure strict compliance of the relevant provisions of the Constitution. It has further been clarified *vide* D.O. letter no. 703/1/1/2011-CA.V dated 10.02.2012 from Secretary (Coord.), Cabinet Secretariat that such consultations would also be required in respect of major policy issues placed before the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees.

2. Accordingly, the sponsoring Ministries/Departments are advised to ensure that the National Commission for the Scheduled Castes, and the National Commission for the Scheduled Tribes, as the case may be, shall mandatorily be consulted by them through the Ministry/Department administratively concerned with the Commission before finalization of such notes for consideration of the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees. In all such cases, the administrative Ministry/Department concerned will place the views of the concerned National Commission, as the case may be, as received by them, before the Minister-in-charge of the Ministry/Department before their final views/comments on such issues are communicated to the sponsoring Ministry/ Department. It has also been decided that the unabridged/unedited views of the concerned Commission along with the views of the Ministry/Department administratively concerned with the Commission be included in/enclosed with the note for consideration of the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees along with responses thereon by the sponsoring Ministry/Department.

3. It is requested that the above instructions may be disseminated to all concerned for ensuring strict compliance.

4. The consolidated instructions relating to preparation of notes for the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees, as also the Handbook on writing Cabinet notes stand duly modified to the extent as indicated above.

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To

All Secretaries to the Government of India.