



F.No.1/13/2016-Coord.  
Government of India  
National Commission for Scheduled Tribes  
6<sup>th</sup> Floor, 'B' Wing, Lok Nayak Bhawan,  
Khan Market, New Delhi-110003  
Dated: 15 November, 2016

To,

Shri Ravi Thakur, Vice- Chairperson

Subject: Summary Record of discussions of 92<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Commission held on  
9.11.2016 at 15:30 Hrs

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to say that 92<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) was held on 9.11.2016 at 15:30 Hrs in the Conference Room of NCST, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi. The meeting was presided over by Shri Ravi Thakur, Hon'ble Vice- Chairperson, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes. A copy of the Summary Record of discussions of 91<sup>nd</sup> meeting is enclosed for information and record.

Yours faithfully,

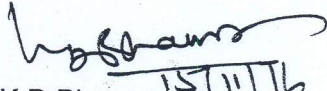
  
(K.D. Bhansor) Mrs.  
Director

Copy of the Summary Record of discussions of 92<sup>nd</sup> meeting of NCST forwarded to the following officers with the request that information about action taken on the decision taken in the meeting concerning each Unit / Office may be furnished to Coordination Cell by 21.11.2016 positively.

1. Director
2. Deputy Secretary,
3. Under Secretary (Coordination & Estt.)
4. AD (RU-I & RU-II)
5. AD (RU-III & RU-IV)

Copy of the Summary Record of discussions of the 92<sup>nd</sup> Meeting forwarded for information to:-

1. PS to Chairperson
2. PS to Vice-Chairperson
3. Sr. PPS to Secretary, NCST
4. Office of the Joint Secretary, NCST
5. Director/Assistant Director in Regional Offices of NCST at Bhopal/Bhubaneswar/ Jaipur/ Raipur/Ranchi and Shillong.
- ✓ 6. NIC, NCST, for uploading on the website.

  
(K.D. Bhansor) Mrs.  
Director

**SUMMARY RECORD OF DISCUSSIONS OF 92<sup>nd</sup> MEETING OF NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES (NCST)**

File No.1/13/2016-Coord.

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2016

Time: 15.30 hours.

Venue: Conference Room, NCST, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi.

In Chair: Shri Ravi Thakur, Hon'ble Vice-Chairperson.

**List of Participants:**

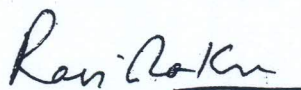
1. Shri Ravi Thakur, Hon'ble Vice- Chairperson (In Chair)
2. Smt. K.D. Bhansor, Director
3. Shri P.T. Jameskutty, Deputy Secretary
4. Shri Dilip S. Kumbhare, Under Secretary
5. Shri S.P. Meena, Assistant Director.

Scheduled Agenda Items for meeting were discussed and the following decisions were taken:

<b>Agenda Item No.1</b>	<b>Draft Cabinet Note on National Policy for Women, 2016 – Ministry of Women and Child Development.</b>
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The Draft Cabinet Note on National Policy for Women, 2016 was received from Ministry of Women and Child Development vide letter no. 25/430/2016-O/o DRI(LM) dated 13.10.2016 for comments. It was noted that the Draft National Policy for Women, 2016 was earlier received in the NCST for comments and the same was discussed in the 86<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the NCST and Comments/Views of NCST were sent to the Ministry of Women and Child Development vide letter No.Policy/4/Women & Child Development/2016/RU.III dated 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2016.

2. Commission noted that comments/ views sent by NCST on the Draft National Policy for Women, 2016 have not been considered in the Draft Cabinet Note on National Policy for Women, 2016. Commission desired that Ministry of Women and Child Development may reconsider the comments/suggestions of the Commission (Annexure-I) as already forwarded to them on 8-8-2016 as there is no change in the stand of the NCST.



रवि ठाकुर/RAVI THAKUR  
उपाध्यक्ष/Vice Chairperson  
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Agenda Item No.II	Meeting of the Sub-Group on strengthening/revamping of Tribal Research Institutes by Niti Aayog –Comments thereof
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Niti Aayog vide O.M. No.H.11011/02/2015-SJ&SW dated 17.10.2016 has forwarded a draft Report of the Sub-Group on strengthening/revamping of the Tribal Research Institutes, for discussion in the meeting under the Chairmanship of Chairman of Sub-Group held on 8.11.2016 at Niti Aayog.

Commission desired to send the recommendations made by the Commission in its Annual Reports for the period 2014-15 and 2015-16 with regard to strengthening of Tribal Research Institutes to Niti Aayog.

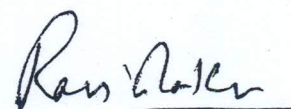
Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

Agenda Item No. I	News item published in India News dated 07.11.2016 regarding minor girl was allegedly raped at a Government aided Tribal Residential School in Buldhana District (Maharashtra)
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Taking Cognizance of the above news item, the Hon'ble Vice Chairperson, NCST desired that the Director, Regional Office, NCST, Bhopal to visit the spot and submit report, on the alleged incident in Buldhana District.

Agenda Item No.II	Visit of Hon'ble Vice Chairperson of NCST to Chhattisgarh on 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> November, 2016 to inquire into the killings of a Scheduled Tribe student on 24.09.2016 by the State Police at Dantewada- postponed
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To inquire into the above incident, it was decided to visit the spot from 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 by Hon'ble Vice-Chairperson. The same had to be postponed on the request of the Supdt. of Police, District-South Bastar, Jagdalpur (Chhattisgarh). It was desired that Director, Regional Office of NCST, Bhopal to visit the spot and submit report.



(Ravi Thakur)

Vice-Chairperson

National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

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**SUMMARY RECORD OF DISCUSSIONS OF 86<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF  
NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES (NCST)**

**Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2016

**Time:** 16:00 hours.

**Venue:** Conference Room, NCST, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi.

**In Chair:** Dr. Rameshwar Oraon, Hon'ble Chairperson, NCST.

**Following were present:**

1. Shri Anil Kumar Agarwal, Secretary
2. Shri Ashok Pai, Joint Secretary
3. Smt. K. D. Bhansor, Director
4. Shri S.P. Meena, Assistant Director

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Draft National Women Policy 2016 received from M/o WCD on National Policy Women 2016 for comments.</b>
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Above agenda was discussed in the meeting.

Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide letter F. No. 20014/10/2013-R&M/Eco/Stats. dated 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 have sought the suggestions/comments of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes on the Draft National Women Policy 2016 received from Ministry of Women and Child Development.

The Draft National Women Policy 2016 was discussed in the Commission. The Commission on deliberation decided to convey concurrence to the draft with advise to incorporate the following recommendations for safeguarding the interest of Tribal Women, consistent with the provisions provided under the Constitution of India:

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*Rameshwar Oraon*

डॉ. रामेश्वर उरांव/Dr. RAMESHWAR ORAON  
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I. Tribal Communities have distinct customs and traditions. Hence, their customary laws and traditional institutions need to be incorporated in the policy. (Differentiated approach but common goals for Scheduled Tribe women.) (this can be incorporated in 'Introduction' to the policy)

II. Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanisms exist in the tribal communities which will be recognized while promoting gender sensitive legal-judicial system. (under caption Objective item - viii)

III. Trafficking of women and violence against the migrant women labourers are emerging issues. Similarly, violence in the name of witchcraft to dispossess the property or physical exploitation in respect of ST women. They also need to be addressed in the policy. (under caption EMERGING ISSUES)

IV. As the ST women have lowest health indices, mainstreaming of validated tribal medicines and medical practices will be promoted through the primary health care system as it would help improve primary health care delivery. (under caption PRIORITY AREAS- I. Health including food security and nutrition)

V. Similarly, to enhance nutritional status, traditional crops and food like raagi (mandua), Pulses like horse gram (kulti), minor millets, traditional vegetables like chakoda bhaji, drumsticks etc. will be promoted. This will be through procurement and distribution of traditional crops like minor millets, coarse grains and traditional pulses in tribal areas by procurement by the Government and distribution under PDS. This would enhance both nutritional and food security among tribal women along with the children. (under caption PRIORITY AREAS- I. Health including food security and nutrition)

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VI. Making culturally relevant curriculum, and academic session in tune with tribal festivals, would be promoted as it would help in decreasing girls drop out and enhance their literacy during primary education. (under caption PRIORITY AREAS- II. Education, item (iii))

VII. Traditional vocations and skills during secondary education would be promoted to enhance employability. Shortage of teachers and paramedic would be overcome by training ST girls/ women. (under caption PRIORITY AREAS- II. Education, item (ii))

VIII. In view of lowest literacy among ST women, prescribing minimum education qualification for elected representatives can deprive large proportion of women in participation of democratic process and there by empowerment. Hence, no minimum qualification should be prescribed for ST Women to contest elections to the local bodies (under caption Emerging Issues of policy)

2. Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

*Rameshwar Oraon*

Chairperson

National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, (NCST)

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