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To,

13th June 2018

Hon'ble Governor,
Arunachal Pradesh

Sub: (Seeking intervention in rectification of illegal and arbitrary appointment made to 5th Body of Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Women by the State Government).

Hon'ble Sir,

At the very outset, the Arunachal Pradesh Women's Welfare Society (APWWS) on behalf of women of the State convey our heartiest greetings to you. As you are aware, the APWWS is a non-political, voluntary and pan Arunachal organization and was formed in the year of 1979 by few committed women, basically to ameliorate the status of women and fight against various social evils like child marriage, forced marriage, polygamy, and property rights of girl child in the State. Since inception, the members of APWWS have been selflessly rendering service for the cause of women and children in the State. In the year 2002, after over a decade of struggle by the members of APWWS, the State Government passed the Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Women Act 2002 and the first body of APSCW started to function from 2005.

However, it is sad to find the way present State Govt. just overlooked the section 5 of the sub-section (1) and (5) of the APSCW Act, 2002 and its amendment Act 2005 by resorting to illegal and arbitrary appointment made to 5th Body of APSCW.

As per the RTI information received from the APSCW, we have found the procedural lapses and anomalies/violations of laid down rules of the Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Women (APSCW) Act 2002 during the appointment and constituting of the 5th Body of State Commission for Women, which we would like to point out for your kind intervention for immediate rectification.

1. That the State Government appointed Smt (Dr) Nirmali Taba as chairperson, Smt. Padmeshwari Jamoh as vice-chairperson, Taba Rosy as member on 9th March 2018

A copy of Govt. Notification vide letter no. SWCD - 52/2007(WC) Vol-I dated 9th March 2018 is enclosed as **Annexure I**

2. The present Govt, while initiating the recruitment process had written to the Member Secretary, APSCW by letter no. SWCD -52 /2007(WCS) /11494 and wherein they have quoted that "As per provision of section 5 of sub-section (5) of the APSCW Act, 2002, the preceding Commission has to prepare the panel of candidates for the purpose of constitution of subsequent Commission.

It is pertinent to mention here that in the last para of the said letter the Secretary WCD, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh categorically stated that "In view of above, you are requested to start the process of constitution of subsequent



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Commission as per provision of section 5 of the APSCW Act 2002, and its amendment Act, 2005. Further, it must ensure that in order to have equal and adequate representation from various sections of the society, wide publicity of the same may be made through advertisement etc" enclosed as Annexure II.

A copy of letter no. SWCD-52/20079WCS/ 11494 dated 11th Nov 2017 enclosed as **Annexure II**.

3. That on the basis of letter written by the Secretary, WCD, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, the APSCW published an advertisement in a leading newspaper on 23rd November 2017 inviting letter of interest from interested applicants and it is clearly mentioned in last Para of the advertisement that "the letter of interest should reach the office of the Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Women (APSCW) 'C' Sector, Itanagar on or before 13th Dec' 2017 and no application will be accepted or entertained after 13th Dec' 2017. However, none of the present team members had applied for the post within the stipulated time as per the advertisement. However, none of the present team had applied within the stipulated time as advertised by the APSCW. That the Government cannot contradict its own record or bypass the provisions of the Act passed by the competent authority.

A copy of advertisement dated 23rd 'Nov 2017 and list of applicants with their date of submission of applicant annexed as ANNEXURE - III.

4. That as per the provision of section 5 of the sub section (5), the outgoing 4th Body of APSCW held a Full Commission Meeting on dated 15th March 2018 in the office of the Chairperson and taking into the consideration the educational qualification and work experience in the field of women and children related issues, the preceding Commission unanimously decided to prepare a panel of list in the ratio of 1:3 for the post of chairperson, vice-chairperson and members and forwarded it to the State Govt. for consideration .

A copy of Full Commission Meeting dated 15th Dec'2017 and empanelled list as ANNEXURE -IV

5. That regarding the appointment/constitution of Commission, there is an Act called Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Women Act 2002 wherein, it is clearly mentioned in Section 5(5) of the Act, all the procedure for appointment /constitution.

6. That, it is laid down in the Section 5(5) of the APSCW Act 2002, "for the purpose of constitution of subsequent Commission in the State, the panel of candidates shall be prepared by the preceding Commission. However, none of the present members are in the empanelled lists recommended by the outgoing 4th body of Commission as per the serial 4 of the RTI furnished by the APSCW.

A copy of empanelled list as ANNEXURE -V

7. That prima-facie it also appears that one of the Members is Non-APST.

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However, in the section 5(1) of APSCW Act 2002, it is clearly laid down that the post of Chairperson, Vice- Chairperson, a Member Secretary and not more than seven other Members to be appointed by the Government, of whom all other seven members shall be APST women. We request the Govt. to look into it and does proper cross check of the background of candidature while appointing the Commission so that no deserving tribal women's right is being deprived.

8. That on finding gross illegality and arbitrary appointment, the team of APWWS on dated 14th May 2018 submitted representation to the Hon'ble Chief Minister Pema Khandu seeking immediate rectification of the illegality and arbitrary appointment made by the State Govt. while appointing 5th Body of APSCW. After listening to the grievances placed by us, the HCM sought 7 (Seven) days time to look into the matter. However, he failed to address the issue even after the lapse of two weeks. Then the APWWS after State Level Co-ordination and Consultation Meeting on 26th April 2017 with members from twenty seven District branches and Affiliated Bodies from the entire state decided to take out a peaceful protest rally against the illegal and arbitrary appointment on 28th April 2018. There is no response from the State Govt despite repeated appraisal.

A copy of written representation is enclosed as ANNEXURE -VI

9. That the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh had also invited the APWWS in his office to discuss the issue on dated 29th April. During the meeting with the Chief Secretary and other officers, the team of APWWS lead by its President Dipti Begia Tadar made it clear that the appointment of APSCW should be made from the empanelled lists prepared by the outgoing 4th Body of APSCW and such gross illegality and arbitrary appointment made by the State Govt. by overlooking the procedure and violating the norms, is unacceptable. After committing such a gross mistake, the State Govt cannot add the term of 'prerogative' in the appointment the APSCW, which is arbitrary and clearly reflect the malafide intention of the State Govt.

7. That, on dated 31st April 2018, the team of APWWS also met Shri Nabam Rebia, after he was newly inducted as the Hon'ble Minister of Women and Child Development, Social Justice, Empowerment and Tribal Tribal and apprised him in detail about the issue.

8. That, without taking into consideration the terms of the advertisement, the Govt. has picked up some members without any actual application and made appointments.

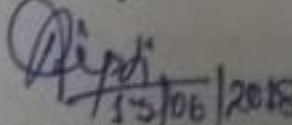
9. That, it is the duty of every citizen of the State and the Country to uphold the dignity of the law and govt. cannot contradict its own record and the norms under the APSCW Act 2002

10. Such illegalities of the authorities are not tolerable and unless rectified, it would become a bad precedent in our state.

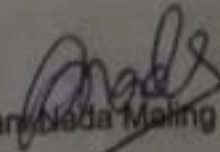
11. Therefore, APWWS request your intervention to rectify the illegal and arbitrary appointments made by the state govt and recall those illegal appointees.

Thanking you

Yours truly,


15/06/2018
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