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A
MEMORANDUM
TO
SJT. JUAL ORAM
HON'BLE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS,
GOVT. OF INDIA, NEW DELHI

SUBMITTED BY-
BODO SAHITYA SABHA
DATED17th JULY, 2014

Camp- Bodoland House,
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Respected Sir,

We, the undersigned, on behalf of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha, the Apex Body of the Bodos in the field of language, literature and culture would like to take this privilege to congratulate you on your historic victory in the last Lok Sabha Election and sworn in as the Union Minister of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India. We wish you a sound health and long life enabling you to lead the Nation as a most successful Union Minister of India.

That Sir, the Bodo people are the most aboriginal plains tribal people of India constituting the largest group among them in Assam. Yet, they have been suppressed, exploited, dominated in all spheres of social life, be it in the matter of flourishing their language and literature, protecting their lands traditionally inherited to them, growing according to their own distinctive tradition and genius by the successive State Govt. of Assam since independence. The problems they are facing now are multifarious and even non-redressal of these problems may lead to complete extinction of the Bodo Community itself.

Hence, we, take our privilege to draw your kind attention on the problems as follows-

1. Regarding Allocation of Fund under Article 275 (1) & SCA-TSP:

The Ministry of Tribal Affairs Government of India has allocates annual funds under the article 275(1) & SCA-TSP for the development of down-trodden Tribal People of Assam.

But Sir, Govt. of Assam did not properly distributes the said fund to the people as per the guidance of the Ministry. As instance the allocation during the 2013-14 budget was Rs. 4587 Lakhs under Sanction order No. 14020/7 (3) 2013 SG-1 dated 04/06/2013, & Rs. 6233 Lakhs under SCA-TSP for 2013-14 vide Sanction Letter No. 14020/8 (2) 2013-14 SG-II dated 30/08/2013.

That Sir, the WPT & BC Department Govt. of Assam could not allocate the funds to respective ITDP areas of Assam due to intervention of UPA led Governments Minister of State, Tribal Affairs Mrs. Rani Narah.

Hence the said fund is still lying unutilized by depriving downtrodden tribal people of Assam.

That Sir, you are requested to take necessary steps to ensure for the proper allocations of funds & utilization of the same equally as per guide lines of the Ministry.



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2. Proper Implementation of "The Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006".

The Bodo people belonging to Scheduled Tribes, have been dwelling in different forest areas of Assam since long year. To provide education to their inculcate children through Mother Tongue, they have established Educational Institutions of various categories i.e. Lower Primary, Upper Primary, & Secondary School etc. in those forest areas. But these Educational Institutions have been deprived of Government permission and recognition due to non-receipt of land allotment in the name of institutions though as per the chapter-II clause 3(2) of the Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 of India, they are entitled to receive land allotment. Thereby injustices have been done to the Bodo Tribal people of Assam by violating "the Schedule Tribe and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 which is also contrary to the right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009. Because of such injustice, in Sonitpur district alone as many as 128 Nos. of Lower Primary Schools, 17 Nos. of Upper Primary Schools and 16 Nos. of High Schools (Total-161) have been dropped out from the process of provincialization and also deprived from getting financial assistance provided earlier by the Govt. of Assam.

We, therefore, earnestly request your honour to issue necessary directives to the State Govt. of Assam for allotting land to the educational institutions set up at forest areas and thereby accord Govt. permission, recognition and provincialization of service to these Educational Institutions, so that they can provide proper education to the pupils.

We remain ever yours, Sir.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha

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