GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Social Welfare Department - Judgment of the Hon’ble High Court of AP, Hyderabad in W.P.No. 16827 of 1997 filed by Sri. Eedi Ganiraju, Father of the victim Girl E.Ammaji, boarder of SC Hostel, Sambhunipeta, W.G. District - Compiled - Setting up of Expert Committee at State Level and Vigilance Teams at both District level and Mandal level - Orders - Issued.

SOCIAL WELFARE (Edn.1) DEPARTMENT


Read the following :-


ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Hon’ble High Court, Hyderabad, issued orders in W.P.No. 16827 of 1997 filed by Sri. Eedi Ganiraju, for payment of compensation amount of Rs.2.00 lakhs to Eedi Ammaji, D/o Eedi Gani Raju, Ex-boarder of S.W. Girls Hostel No.2, Palacole, West Godavari District, who was seduced and raped allegedly by Sri. G.Divya Aseervadam, husband of the Matron, S.W. Girls Hostel No.2, Palacole, during 1996-1997, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of the order. Accordingly, in the reference 4th read above, Government accorded sanction for an amount of Rs.2.00 lakh to the Victim Girl, Eedi Ammaji.

2. The Hon’ble High Court, Hyderabad has also suggested that it is essential that the Chief Secretary to Government, in consultation with the Principal Secretary (SW), constitutes an Expert Committee to examine the problems being faced by the children living in Welfare Hostels, and to suggest measures to improve the living conditions of the children living in the hostels, to prevent child abuse and provide a congenial atmosphere, for continuing their education etc. Based on the suggestions, which the Expert Committee would give, the Government shall pass orders directing the concerned to implement them in letter and spirit. The Chief Secretary to Government, shall also set up Vigilance Team for conducting periodical inspections and surprise raids on the S.W. Hostels, redress any grievance of the children living in the Hostels, and take stringent action against the erring officials based on the report by the Vigilance teams.

3. Based on the judgment of the Hon’ble High Court of A.P., Hyderabad, the Government hereby constitute an Expert Committee at State level to examine the problems being faced by the children in the hostels, to prevent child abuse and provide a congenial atmosphere, for continuing their education etc:

State Level Expert Committee:

1. The Principal Secretary / Secretary to Govt. S.W. Department
   Chairperson
2. The Commissioner / Director, S.W. Department
   Convener
3. The Commissioner / Director, T.W. Department
   Member

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4. The Commissioner / Director, B.C. Welfare Department
5. Three reputed NGOs:
   M/s M.V. Foundation, M/s Deccan Development Society
   and M/s Rajwala

4. For setting up of the Vigilance Teams both at District level and Mandal level with the following members for conducting regular inspections / surprise inspections of S.W. Hostels and to submit regular report to the District Collector, so as to redress the grievances of the children living in the hostels and to take stringent action against the erring officials:

**District Level Vigilance Team:**
(i) The Joint Collector of the concerned District
(ii) Concerned Deputy Director (SW)
(iii) Project Officer, ITDA / District Tribal Welfare Officer
(iv) District B.C. Welfare Officer
(v) Representatives from NGOs / (3) Non-officials
   (To be nominated by concerned District Collector)

**Mandal Level Vigilance Team:**
(i) The Mandal Praja Parishad President
(ii) Assistant Social Welfare Officer
(iii) Mandal Parishad Development Officer
(iv) Representative, nominated by PO, ITDA / District Tribal Welfare Officer
(v) Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer
(vi) Representatives from Non-Officials / Elected Representatives (to be nominated by concerned District Collector)

5. The term of nominated Non-official Member / NGO shall be two years.

6. The Commissioner of Social Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad, shall monitor the performance of Vigilance Teams on the lines of Hon'ble High Court directions and submit feedback reports to Government.

7. The Commissioner of Social Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad / all District Collectors in the State, are requested to take necessary action in the matter.

8. This order is available in the internet and can be accessed at the address http://www.aponline.gov.in.

*(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)*

J. HARINARAYAN,
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To,
The Director, Tribal Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Director, B.C. Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad.
All District Collectors in the State.
All Deputy Directors (SW) in the State.
All District Tribal Welfare Officers.
All District B.C. Welfare Officers.
All Project Officers, ITDA through Director of TW, Hyderabad.
All Mandal Praja Parishad Presidents through concerned District Collectors.

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All Mandal Parishad Development Officers through concerned District Collectors.
All Assistant Social Welfare Officers through CSW, Hyderabad.
All Assistant BC Welfare Officers through Director of BC Welfare, Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Government Pleader for SW, High Court of A.P., Hyderabad (with a request
to appraise the position before the Court).
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The Accountant General, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Pay & Accounts Officer, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Finance (BG/Expr.SW) Department.
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Communicated to All District Collectors,
for all P.O.'s of I.T.D.A.'s and all Dist. Tribal Welfare Officer for taking necessary action.

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