The following are the major achievements, significant developments and important events of the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment during January, 2020.

Activities of the Department

- (i) The 25th meeting of the Committee under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Social Justice and Empowerment, to devise ways and means to curb offences and ensure effective administration of the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 was organized on 09.01.2020, where in implementation of status of the PCR Act and PoA Act in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana and Uttar Pradesh was reviewed.
- (ii) The tenure of the Commission constituted under Article 340 of the Constitution to examine the issue of Sub-categorization within Other Backward Classes for the Central List headed by Justice (Retd.) G. Rohini, former Chief Justice, Delhi High Court has been extended till 31st July, 2020. Now, the Commission would submit the report by 31.07.2020.

Activities of Corporations

(A) National Scheduled Caste Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC):

- (i) The Corporation disbursed Rs.114.28crores to cover 10,454 beneficiaries to its various State Channelizing Agencies (SCAs)/Channelizing Agencies (CAs) and sanctioned Skill Development Training Programmes for 690 beneficiaries at an estimated cost of Rs.1.91crores. With this, total funds disbursed under Credit Based Schemes amounts to Rs.527.57crores and Skill Training has been sanctioned for a total of 23,188 beneficiaries at an estimated cost of Rs.44.75crores during the Financial Year 2019-20.
- (ii) The Corporation signed Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with MSME Technology Centre, Indo German Tool Room (IGTR), Aurangabad to expand the outreach in the State of Maharashtra for organizing NSFDC sponsored Skill Development Training Programmes.
- (iii) The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment (2019-20) convened a meeting on 22.01.2020 at Chennai with the representatives of NSFDC, Tamil Nadu Grama Bank (Channelizing Agency of NSFDC) and Department of Social Justice and Empowerment regarding impact analysis of Micro Credit Finance Scheme of NSFDC in the State of Tamil Nadu.
- (iv) The Corporation participated in Lokutsav, Goa. Two stalls were allotted to NSFDC and 4 beneficiaries participated in the exhibition from 10.01.2020 to 19.01.2020.Approx. 1,200 persons visited the exhibition.
- (v) The Corporation participated in Mega Job Fair on 11.01.2020 at Faridabad, Haryana. Approx. 300 persons visited the Fair.

(B) National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC):

(i) The Corporation signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Institute of Human Resource Development (IHRD), Kerala for imparting Skill Development Training to the members

of Backward Classes in the State of Kerala and to facilitate loan disbursement to the eligible beneficiaries.

- (ii) The Corporation approved Annual Action Plan (AAP) of Rs.43.92 Crore to Kerala State Cooperative Federation for Fisheries Development Ltd. (MATSYAFED) & Punjab National Bank and released Rs.76.52 Crore in the States/UTs of Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Assam, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Andaman & Nicobar Island, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Odisha, Puducherry, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamilnadu, telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Uttrakhand & West Bengal. Cumulatively, Corporation has approved AAP of Rs.927.15 Crore and released Rs.489.47 Crore in the first ten months of current financial year.
- (iii) The Corporation has released Rs.87.47 Lakhs as a part payment of the training expenditure to various Training Institutes/Sector Skill Councils for providing skill development training to the target group. So far, the Corporation has sanctioned skill development training programmes for 33,149 trainees at the cost of Rs.63.96Crores in 2019-20.
- (iv) National Conference of Channel Partners (SCAs/Banks) of NBCFDC was held on 13.1.2020 at New Delhi coinciding with the Raising day of the Company. The Conference was graced by Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment and Secretary (SJ&E) besides senior officers of Ministry and the top officials of the Channel Partners. During the Conference (SJ&E) awarded the Best Performing SCAs, Public Sector Banks, Regional Rural Banks and institutes. He also released Compendium of Best Practices of NBCFDC & its Guidelines for implementation of NBCFDC schemes and Hindi Rajbhasha Patrika "Subhasini".
- (v) NBCFDC participated in Goa Lokotsav-2020 on behalf of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment from 10.01.2020 to 19.01.2020 at Panji, Goa organized by Directorate of Art & Culture, Goa. During Lokotsav-2020, 02 Stalls were allocated to the beneficiaries of NBCFDC. Beneficiaries reported sales of Rs.1.2 lakh during the mela. NBCFDC also participated in Swadeshi Mela-2020, Ballia, Uttar Pradesh from 25.01.2020 to 03.02.2020 for publicity of NBCFDC schemes.
- (vi) The Corporation sanctioned a project for 'Up gradation of the computer lab of Government High School Punjab' to benefit about 119 students. The up-gradated lab will facilitate of students to improve their skill in using computer system.
- (vii) The Corporation has initiated holding of Free Health & Eye Check-Up Camps for Transgender Communities. In this camp, consultation by Physician, Surgeon, Dermatologist & Psychologist and Dentist are available with facilities for ECG, routine blood test and eye check-up. The referral facilities and tests are also available under care of endocrinologist and urologist. During this month two such Medical Camps were organised in the State of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu where a total 82 transgender attended and got 513 OPD check-ups done. Free spectacles and medicines were also distributed.
- (viii) The Corporation sanctioned 08 Awareness Camps in the State of J& K (UT) and organized 05 Awareness Camps in collaboration with its Channel Partners in the States of Chandigarh (UT), Kerala and Punjab.
- (ix) As a fitting tribute to Bapuon martyrdom day of Father of the Nation, NBCFDC sanctioned a program for Rescue & care of Homeless from the Streets of Delhi under CSR initiative. Two rescue vans will be functional & can be accessed 24X7 (011-23378789) for rescuing homeless to DUSIB shelter.

(x) The Corporation organized Free Health & Eye Check-up Camps" in Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Kerala and Uttar Pradesh where about 2,344 poor people attended the Camps and got 4,766 OPD check-ups done and 773 free spectacles were also distributed to the poor.

(C) National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC):

- (i) The Corporation sanctioned an amount of Rs.3.30 crore for covering 13 beneficiaries/Units in the State of Madhya Pradesh under Swachhta Udyami Yojana (SUY).
- (ii) The Corporation released an amount of Rs.5.63 crore for covering 67 beneficiaries/Units in the States of Haryana and Uttrakhand under General Term Loan (GTL) schemes and Swachhta Udyami Yojana (SUY).
- (iii) The Corporation sanctioned Skill Development Training Programme for covering 1400 MS/dependents under special driver for coverage of MS/dependents.
- (iv) An amount of Rs.5.30 crore released towards One Time Cash Assistance for 1325 Manual Scavengers in the States of Uttar Pradesh.
- (v) The Corporation organized 10 workshops on Hazardouz Cleaning of Sewers and Septic Tanks at Shamli, Shikohabad, Hapur, Loni, Auriya, Muzaffar Nagar, Mathura (Uttar Pradesh), Gururgram and Pundri (Haryana).
- (vi) The Corporation participated in Lokutsav 2020 in Panji, Goa between 10-18 January, 2020.
