No. 11020 (16)/1/2013-SCD-III Government of India

Ministry of social justice & Empowerment
Department of social justice & Empowerment

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, 2044November,2017

NOTICE

- 1. Whereas, the NGO namely Prasasvi Sansthan, Rajasthan has been receiving financial assistance from time to time from this Ministry under the Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Organizations working for Welfare of Scheduled Castes for running of Residential Primary School for Scheduled Caste beneficiaries..
- 2. Whereas, the Scheme aims to enhance the reach of development interventions of the government and fill the gaps in the service deficient Schedule Caste dominant areas, in the sectors such as education, health, vocational training etc through the efforts of voluntary organizations and to provide an environment for socio economic upliftment and overall development of Scheduled Castes (SCs).
- 3. Whereas, the said NGO has executed bonds in favor of the President of India for the amount in the prescribed format bonding themselves jointly, severely to the terms and conditions in the event of the grantee failing to comply with the conditions committing breach of the conditions of the bond, the signatory to the bond shall be jointly and severely liable to re-fund President of India, the whole or a part amount of the grantee with interest at the rate of 10 percent per annum therein or the sum specified under the bond.
- 4. Whereas, the Grantee Organization was required to abide by the terms and conditions mentioned in the Sanction Order, provisions and guidelines of the Scheme of Grant-in-Aid to Voluntary Organizations working for Scheduled Castes, provisions of General Financial Rules, 2017, instructions issued by this Ministry and Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance from time to time and any subsequent revision/changes therein.
- 5. Whereas, Government of India conducted inspection of the School run by Prasasvi Sansthan, Rajasthan on 19.07.2017 and 20.07.2017 and during the inspection it was observed that there are many irregularities which are violative of the Scheme. The infrastructure of the School was found to be poor. The Caste Certificate of the students are not provided to the inspection team for which the inspection team commented that the Sansthan must immediately obtain caste certificates from the parents of the all the students and verify the certificates and submit the report to the Ministry. Only two students were found in standard 5. The

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infrastructure facilities present were not at all commensurate with the requirement of a Non Residential School.

- 6. Whereas, the organization 'Prasasvi Sansthan' has clearly violated the Scheme Guidelines, terms and condition of the sanction order issued from time to time by this Ministry and Department of Expenditure, General Financial Rule 2017. The motive of the NGO in establishing the School and the way it is being run, leads to a lot of suspicions.
- 7. Whereas, a Show Cause Notice dated 28.09.2017 was served on the organization for seeking explanation for the shortcomings/findings as observed during the inspection and as mentioned in preceding paras.
- 8. Whereas, it was stated that the Grantee Organisation may be blacklisted in case, it is found at any stage that they had received Grand-in-Aid under the above Scheme on the basis of suppression of facts, misleading information, fabricated document and false information.
- 9. Whereas the Organization has submitted its reply dated 13.10.2017 and denied all the shortcomings pointed out by the Inspection team. In the reply, the Organization stated that Non-Residential School is run as per rules and regulations. The School building is big enough and properly ventilated. The School has separate toilets for girls and boys. For proving the points, the Organization also submitted the photographs. The photographs submitted by the organization themselves speak the truth of how the Non-Residential School is being run. The main photo of the gate of the School does not look like the main gate of a School wherein 100 students could study but looked like a main gate of the small home.
- 10. Whereas, Competent Authority and the reply of the organisation having considered the shortcomings in the inspection 19.7.2017 and 20.07.2017, observed there is clear violation of the provisions of the Scheme especially the breach of trust for which the Organization has been getting GIA.
- 11. Now, Keeping in view of all the above mentioned facts especially with regard to the utilization of GIA, it has been decided, after following principle of Natural Justice & giving opportunity to the NGO, by the competent authority in public interest to blacklist the Organization namely Prasasvi Sansthan, 108, Setia Colony, SGNR Gali No. 4., Sri Ganga Nagar, Rajasthan 335001, from receiving further financial assistance in any form whatsoever under various Schemes of this Ministry.

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12. This order is issued without prejudice to any other action that may be initiated against the NGO for their action of omission and commission, without any further reference in the matter.

Joint Secretary to the Government of India
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To, The Secretary, Prasasvi Sansthan, 38, Royal Society, Bajrang Nagar Kota, Rajasthan- 324005

Copy to:-

- 1. The Principal Secretary, Department of Social Welfare, Government of Rajasthan with the request to take necessary action to take possession of the items for which non-recurring GIA was released to the NGO in past.
- 2. The DDG, NIC, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi with request to include the NGO in the list of Blacklisted NGOs maintained on the website of the Ministry.
- 3. Joint Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi
- 4. Chief Vigilance Officer, Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
- 5. CEO, NITI Aayog with request to update the same on DARPAN portal.
- 6. JS (SD)/JS (SCD-B)
- 7. Department/Ministry as per Standard list
- 8. Order Folder

