

बिहार सरकार,

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खाद्य, आपूर्ति एवं वाणिज्य विभाग ।

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प्रेषक,

श्री कै० एम० शर्मा,
सरकार के उप सचिव ।

सेवा में,

सभी जिला पदाधिकारी,
बिहार ।

विषय:- मुशहर समुदाय के सामाजिक एवं आर्थिक अध्ययन के आधार पर उनके उन्नयन की दिशा में अन्नपूर्णा योजना में शामिल करने के सम्बन्ध में ।

प्रसंग:- ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार का पत्र दिनांक 29.7.2003

महोदय,

निदेशानुसार उपर्युक्त विषयक प्रसंगाधीन पत्र जो ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय भारतसरकार से प्राप्त हुआ है, का उद्धरण की छाया प्रति संलग्न करते हुए अनुरोध है कि "सामाजिक सुरक्षा" शीर्षक के अन्तर्गत वे से अन्याय्य मुशहर जिन्हें जीविका के लिए न तो कोई आय है और न ही परिवार उन्हें अन्नपूर्णा योजना में शामिल करने की दिशा में अपेक्षित कार्रवाई की जाय ।

विश्वासभाजन,

सरकार के उप सचिव ।

ज्ञापक- आ०वा०, पटना-15, दिनांक-

प्रतिलिपि:- ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार,
एन०एस०ए०पी० सी०जी०सी०ओ० कम्प्लेक्स, न्यू दिल्ली-3 को
सूचनार्थ प्रेषित ।

सरकार के उप सचिव ।

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SOCIAL SECURITY

All eligible persons from the Musahar community must be covered under the Old Age Pension Scheme. At present the number of people covered under the scheme seems to be frozen and a large number of deserving poor are not covered. Central Govt. may be persuaded to enhance the allocation to the State to facilitate their coverage. Meanwhile, Annapurna Scheme may be implemented for indigent Musahars who have no capacity to earn a living and have no family member to look after them.

ALLOTMENT OF LAND

State Government may allot cultivable land to Musahars wherever it is feasible under the Bhoodan land, Govt. land or Ceiling land, which has become available. Local Musahars themselves would be in a position to identify which land could be allotted. A large area of land is locked in litigation filed by interested parties. If serious efforts are made to get this land released by Courts, it would become available for redistribution.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Ministry of SJ&E may select good NGOs which may have the confidence to run skill development and self employment programmes for Musahars. Skill development programmes would focus on increasing employability of Musahars in new occupations, enhanced income generation in existing occupations, upgradation of their status when they migrate in search of work, grooming them as service providers in growth areas of the economy and mobilizing them for making marketable products from indigenous raw materials. One umbrella NGO may also be identified which may coordinate the work being done by NGOs and self-help groups in the State particularly in this sector of activity for providing common services.

PANCHAYATS

All elected members of Village and Block Panchayat from Musahar Community may be intensively trained by a competent local institution. Funds for this training may be provided by the Ministry of Rural Development.