Election 2019: NASVI wants the new government to implement ‘Street Vendors Act’ in full spirit

Without speculating that who will win the Lok Sabha Elections in 2019, the National Association of Street Vendors of India (NASVI), an organization working for the protection of the livelihood rights of thousands of street vendors across the country, wants the winning party to implement Street Vendors Act, 2014 in full spirit.

Street vendors who have been in existence since ancient times are often being harassed by the civic authorities and find it difficult to run their stall on the busy roads of urban cities. They are considered as unlawful entities and are subjected to continuous harassment by Police and civic authorities. Speaking with KNN India, President of NASVI, Arbind Singh said “We want whosoever comes to power post elections must implement the street vendors act in full spirit”

He Mentioned that some parties who came to power earlier like Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) had made the mockery of this street vendors’ law in Delhi. The party failed to implement it as it promised.

Self Workers Global (SWG)

The exit from Streetnet of certain member organizations, and the negative impulses that come from other affiliated organizations regarding the way of governing in Streetnet, has led NASVI (INDIA), UPTA (SPAIN) and SIVARA (ARGENTINA) to constitute a new organization representing self-employed workers, inside and outside the informal economy.

This new organization, called Self Workers Global, has statutes of professional association, not of NGO. Statutes approved by the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Spain, in accordance with international legislation on professional associations.

Our main objective is to claim rights in social protection for self-employed workers, support the creation of new self-employment sites, homogenize the rights and duties of self-employed workers around the world, and denounce the attacks suffered by our affiliates by the different governments.

Our strength is based on transparency and participation. SWG will give voice to each and every one of its member organizations, without vetoes, without interventionism. We want SWG to have a trade union character as well as a representation, claim and defense character.

Grievance Redressal Committee

Bhopal, Grievance Redressal Committee has been formed for the street vendors of Madhya Pradesh under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) with the help of Town Vending Committee. The Grievance Committee has three members.
False notice to 500 vendors-

Jabalpur: False notices were given by miscreants to the street vendors and were asked to evict themselves immediately. When this issue came to the notice of the street vendors leaders and executive committee member of NASVI Mr. Gopal Lodhi, he inquired and found that the notices were false and not issued by authorised officer. The vendors gheraoed police station and were assured that they will not be disturbed.

Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

New Vending zone created by Nagar Nigam for vendors

In many municipalities of Uttar Pradesh, despite the issuance of the Vending Policy Court order and Town Vending Committee, the Act has not yet been implemented. Only 4171 vendors have been issued certificate in 17 municipal corporations.

Patna, Bihar

The first Vending Zone construction work has been started under Patna Smart City in Boring Canal Road, Patna

Meeting on Town Vending Committee member is being conducted by Mr. Rakesh Tripathi in Patna

Street Food and NASVI on Netflix’s

That’s the first line that narrates the trailer for Netflix’s upcoming series, Street Food, has been launched on 26th April, 2019. The show, has come from the team behind Chef’s Table, was announced last month, and has aimed to “take viewers to some of the world’s most vibrant cities to explore the rich culture of street food all over the globe,” per a tweet from co-creator Brian McGinn. Season one is all about Asia, and McGinn teased that Street Food will visit nine countries total, including Singapore and India. This is a great achievement for NASVI and street vendors as Dalchand’s story has been featured in the series.

Meeting regarding grievance committee in Bhopal
Chandigarh

Provisional Certificate of Vending by Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh

New Vending in the process in Chandigarh

Tamil Nadu

Eviction - Street Vendors at Trichy from Ariyamangalam To Thuvakkudi Highways (Tanjore High Road), Nearly 300 Street vendors are affected.

Mumbai, Maharashtra

Pune Municipal Corporation Hawker Market Patri Professional Panchayat Maharashtra State President Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Secretary Balasaheb More, here about 87 vendors have been permanently reinstated in Unicon and the same is named Pathari Professional Panchayat, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Moladina Hall, Pune Market.
In an encroachment drive in Akola District of Maharashtra, street vendors were harassed by forcibly nabbing their handcarts and belongings disrupting their vending but through the intervention of NASVI leader 2014 street vendors act was explained to them according to which it is not legal to evict the vendors and also brought to the notice of the head of Akola Municipality Shri Mishra, which led to allowing street vendors to operate their vending from the places they were being removed.

Telangana

Cooperative monthly meeting held with street vendors in Quthubullapur, Hyderabad.

Andhra Pradesh

Protest by street vendors for issuing ID Cards in Guntur and Vishakhapatnam

Karnataka

Vending certificate has been applied and put in to the process which will be issued in Ballari district in Karnataka.

Protest in front of town hall in Mysore. The dharna was success and given memorandem to the concerned officers.
NASVI’S Initiative - Through NASVI some markets have been carved out where Municipal Corporation and Police harrassed the street vendors and to get of such harrassment all the markets through the NASVI intervention on basis of THE STREET VENDORS (PROTECTION OF LIVELIHOOD AND REGULATION OF STREET VENDING) ACT, 2014 and its importance was explained making them aware about the act an organisation was formed which have been named as 1. Mithai Pool Rehdi Patri Ekta Sangathan 2. Mrignaini Chowk Purani Seemapuri Footpathi Vikreta sangh.

Through NASVI initiative all the Street Vendors of all the states were requested reach out to Urban Development and Housing Department and its Principal Secretary through a letter to request for formation of Grievance Redressal committee for Street Vendors.

URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
NOTIFICATION
Delhi, the 15th April, 2019
SCHEME

This scheme for Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Scheme, 2019 has been notified on 15th April 2019.

The meaning and interpretations of street vendors, vending zone, scheme for street vendors, Town Vending Committee (TVC) and its function and other related matters shall be as per the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood And Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014 and the Delhi Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Rules, 2017.

Surat:- Among the total number of 28340 Hawking Street Vendors only 1400 ID Cards were given for which the vendors are unhappy and expect much more something concrete.

It was informed by the vendors that the Municipal Corporation charges Rs.2000 from each of the vendor but gives the receipt of only Rs.500 and additionally they ask for the Affidevit in which against the law vending is restricted. Some vendors even went to the Courts against this law.