



EC Meeting – Nasvi

Date - 26 May 2020 (Conducted Online)

Minutes of Meeting

EC meeting was scheduled on Zoom on 26th May 2020 at 2 PM. All the members were informed regarding the same one day before.

Meeting was started by Rakesh Tripathi. 19 EC members from different States joined the Zoom Meeting. He was also managing the Zoom Meeting.

President – Chandra Prakash Singh Ji welcomed the members. He addressed the vendors’ problem amid this lockdown and how we can help vendors and migrants who are facing the most difficulties in this pandemic. He asked for suggestions that how we can help the vendors in respective states. He added that PM also mentioned vendors in his speech but no relief has been provided till now. He said the street vendors strengthen the economy of any country.

After this he along with the other members and NASVI staff paid their condolence to all the vendors, migrants and other Indians who lost their lives due to COVID – 19, lockdown and Amphan cyclone.

Arbind Singh Ji said that these meetings are very important for suggestions and knowing the situation in different states of India. He said that NASVI has started campaigns on diiferent social media for the vendors’ relief. NASVI have also written letters to the government to provide relief to street vendors. Major newspapers are covering the stories on vendors’ distress. Even today an article was published on Business Standard. They are also writing to Municipal Commissioners for the same.

They have started the campaign "Help the vendors directly" where they can transfer cash directly to the vendors our new campaign to transfer cash directly to the vendors. He asked the EC members that they should share one vendors' name whose condition is very bad due to this lockdown with Irfan from NASVI and we can campaign for that vendor. After that he asked Rakesh Tripathi to start on State wise update.

Alok Pandey of Chhattisgarh said that they have written letter to commissioner because Street vendors are not registered there and due to lock down they are in very bad condition and very little government relief money is reaching them.

Abhishek Nigam of Varanasi said that in Green zone vending is allowed but in red zone the vending is not allowed. Government might allow it after 31st May. Fruit and vegetable sellers are allowed in 63 vending zone and in residential lanes that too by mobile vendors but not on major Road. In vending zones, Government have made lines and circle so that people have to follow social distancing.

He added that maybe after 31st May other food vendor will also be allowed as per the local bodies. He suggested that there is a letter should be written by NASVI that food vendors should be allowed. He added that weekly markets are also not allowed.

Gokul bhai said that no Weekly market is allowed. He said that no vending is allowed in red zone. He suggested that TVC meeting should be there so that government can understand the vendors' problems. He added that as per government, they have given relief to 9000 people of Rs 1000/- but till now only 20% 30% have received that relief money.

OP Devra - Rajasthan said that 1100 people were given 2500 rupees but 6200 people was surveyed. The rest of the vendors have not received the money and the government is saying the rest are taking BPL ration so they will not get the money relief money. He suggested that NASVI should intervene and write letter so that the rest of vendor can also receive the relief money

Tiger Singh - Punjab said that the vendors are being evicted in this lockdown. They have met DC and they said food vendors will not be allowed till further orders by government. He added that government also give notice to police to evict vendors. He suggested that now we should help the vendors in Punjab so that this action can be stopped.

Bhaskar Urs said that in Karnataka food vendors are not allowed for their vending. He said that in five Districts, Street vending DPR have been prepared and submitted to government. He added that all type of vending is allowed except food vendors.

Anwar Ji added that all types of vending is allowed there. Even food vendors are also allowed but they can only sell as parcels. He said that the local government is also supporting them.

Pritam Singh Ji - Odisha said that vending is allowed except of food items. Time duration have also been increased by Odisha Government. Clothes, shoes and other non essential items are also allowed. They have also written that to the collected that food vendor should also be allowed. He had one suggestion that the out of Rs 10,000/- loan to be given to vendors by the government, 5000 should be given as cash transfer and other 5000 as loan.

Maheswaram Ji - Chennai said that except for in red zones, all types of vending in allowed in Green Zone and orange zone. They have written letter to the Commissioner for street vendors relief and allow the vending in red zone also. He said that Municipal Commissioner said they might allowed after 31st May. Till now, no relief money has been received by any vendors and they are working on it.

Daya Shankar Ji said that the vendors are in bad conditions in Maharashtra as no vending is allowed properly. Some vendors who are fruit and vegetable vendors are allowed to sell their items but that too in one big open ground. They have not received any relief of any kind. He has also written to a Aslam Khan regarding the same.

Honaji Chavan said said that vendors are the worst affected in this pandemic. There is no livelihood and they are working towards sustaining the vending activities. He said that they have written letter to commissioners so that vending activities can be allowed and they should they are provided with some kind of help. Shalivan Ji said that NASVI should write letter to CMs that Municipal commissioners should also coordinate with TVC for vendors issues.

Suming up the meeting Arbind Singh said that the steps to be taken in next week are

- letters to government for allowing food vending and weekly markets and coordinating with TVC for vendors' issues and help.

- Write to government for direct cash transfer of Rs 5000 and 5000 loan to the vendors

Chandra Prakash Singh Ji concluded the meeting and also wished Eid Mubarak to Ec members and NASVI team.