

File No. 723/WBHRC/Com/2012-13

Justice A. K. Ganguly, the then Chairperson of the Commissioner inspected the S.M.M. Home, Liluah on 4th July, 2012 and Shri S. N. Roy, Member inspected Sukanya Home, Salt Lake on 27th June, 2012.

The Commission considered the two inspection reports of the Chairperson and the Member. After thorough discussion, the following recommendations are made: -

In respect of S.M.M. Home, Liluah :

a) The Commission held that the food entitlement per inmate of Rs. 750/- is not adequate and the Commission directed the Secretary, Women and Child Development and Social Welfare Department, Govt. of West Bengal to take up the matter with the Govt. of India on urgent basis to increase the food entitlement of each inmate per month and also pending such concurrence by the Govt. of India, the State Govt. may explore the possibility of providing an increased amount of food allowance per inmate per month by augmenting the State share of funds on an ad-hoc basis.

b) Department of Women and Child Development and Social Welfare in consultation with the Department of School Education should make adequate infrastructure for establishing a school upto Class – VIII in the Home and also to arrange for recognition of the said school.

C) Department of Women and Child Development and Social Welfare should move the Sports Department for granting necessary assistance so as to enable the students to participate in Black Belt Karate Competition.

In respect of Sukanya Home, Salt Lake :

a) The food allowance of Rs. 750/- per inmate per month is not adequate and needs to be augmented immediately.

- b) Three Guarding staff preferably male are required immediately for guarding the main entrance of the Home.
- c) One lady Doctor with a full time Nurse and one lady Counsellor for the inmates are necessary.
- d) The post of teacher for vocational training is vacant and requires to be filled up immediately.
- e) The Commission directed that the PWD Deptt. should expedite and sanction the estimate submitted by Women and Child Development and Social Welfare Department for repairing the top floor of one of the wings of the Home which is damaged.

General :

The Commission recommends that each Home under the control of Women and Child Development and Social Welfare Department and other Homes run by the N.G.O.s receiving assistance from the State Government should be visited regularly by one senior officer of the Directorate at least once in three months and detailed inspection reports should be prepared and remedial measures to ameliorate the conditions of the Homes should be monitored under the overall guidance and direction by the Department of Women and Child Development and Social Welfare. A suitable inspection manual in this regard may also be prescribed by the Department.

By a letter dated 9th July, 2015 the Commission has received the “action taken report” in respect of the recommendations in this case as follows: -

S.M.M. Home, Liluah, Howrah.

Marked – ‘A’ : State Govt. has increased the budget w.e.f. 06.01.2015 as per ICPS revised guideline – Rs. 2000/- per child per month including food (Rs. 1400/-) and maintain per head (Rs.600/-) per month.

Marked – ‘B’ : As above.

Marked – ‘C’ : Matter will be taken-up by the Deptt. CNCP children attend out-side schools in other districts. This can be done in S.M.M. Home with CWC’s permission.

Marked – ‘D’ : Communication will be done with competent authority for exploring possibility of participating in Karate Competition.

Marked – ‘E’ : There is provision in ICPS norms for employing contractual staff viz. counselor, para-medical staff, nurse for children. CMOH of all districts have already been informed and they have been sending doctors and medicine kit to all Govt. J. J. Home over and above, this Deptt. has issued a Notification vide No. 416-SW/2V-03/2014 dt. 29.01.2015 to engage doctors from IMA @ Rs. 19,000/- per month with the additional call fees of Rs. 1000/- per visit for 5 calls per month maximum.

Regarding Sukanya Home, Salt Lake

Marked – ‘X’ : Same as ATR of Marked – ‘A’.

Marked – ‘Y’ : - do -

Marked – ‘Z’ : All Govt. run J. J. Homes have been inspected by State Level Inspection Team (SLIT) and all other CCIs including NGO-run J. J. Homes by State Level Inspection & Monitoring Committee (SLIM).
DCPU & SCPS also monitor the Homes by inspection apart.

Sd/-

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