MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28.10.2024 IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF THE DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, SIVASAGAR, IN COMPLIANCE OF HON'BLE GAUHATI HIGH COURT'S ORDER DATED 05.08.2013 AND 10.01.2014 PASSED IN WP(C) (TAKEN UP) NO. 4299/2006 AND A.B NO. 5537/2013 RESPECTIVELY

AGENDA

Item No.1 : To discuss the matter relating to the strengthening of monitoring mechanism for expeditious investigation and trial of cases.

Resolution: The District and Sessions Judge, Sivasagar, at the outset, welcomed all the members of the committee.

Initiating the discussion, the District and Sessions Judge, Sivasagar has brought to the notice of all the members of the Committee that due to the absence of a data base as to the details of Investigating Officers who have been transferred out of the district, it is difficult to cause service of summons on them whereby delay in disposal of old pending cases is taking place. The Superintendent of Police, Sivasagar, to ensure the receipt of the summons by the I.O.s has proposed to take all steps to give the addresses of the I.O.s who leave the district and accordingly has requested for service of a list of I.O.s to the Addl. SP (Crime), Sivasagar, whose presence of Investigating Officers are required by the respective Courts to enable them to get the current addresses of such I.O.s and has assured to furnish the details of such Investigating officers regularly.

Item No.2 : Regarding the issue of not having attendants for the destitute:

It is brought to the notice of the meeting that destitute mentally ill-persons who are sent to Lokapriya Gopinath Bordoloi Regional Institute of Mental Health at Tezpur do not get admission without attendants under the provisions of the New Mental Health Act. The District and Sessions Judge, Sivasagar highlighted on the role of Social Welfare Department to provide attendants in such cases. In this connection, the Secretary of Human Welfare Society (HWS), (NGO authorised by the Social Welfare Department, Sivasagar, who was present as a special invitee, mentioned about the practical difficulties if the attendants are not provided. The ADC, Sivasagar, representing Ld. District Commissioner of Sivasagar, assured to take up the matter and to come up with some workable solutions.

Item No.3 : Regarding the matter of Jail inmates who turn violent due to ailment and the difficulties faced in handling them:

(i) Meeting took up the matter of Jail inmates who turn violent due to ailment and the difficulties faced by the jail authorities in handling them. Dr. Rajib Panging, D.P.O, DMHP, Sivasagar, present in the meeting as a special invitee, submitted that a 4

(four) bedded unit has been set up in the Civil Hospital, Sivasagar to meet any emergency situations in case of people with psychiatric illness, requiring treatment in a facility. Dr. Panging submitted that such facility is in the nature of stop-gap arrangement to tackle emergency cases. The Suptt. Of the District Jail, Sivasagar, present as a special invitee, has expressed his difficulties while housing UTPs of NDPS cases showing withdrawal symptoms who often turn violent. The benefit of new arrangement would be availed of by the Jail authorities. However, the Suptt. of Police, Sivasagar is requested to provide security at the hospital whenever such UTPs are admitted in the facility.

Item No.4

: Regarding issuance of Adhar Card/PAN card etc. for the inpatient destitute/UTPs:

In the matter of non-issuance of Adhar card/PAN Card etc. for the in-patient destitute/UTPs submits that without Adhar Card/PAN Card etc. the destitute do not get the ration for sustenance even if they remain in their facility. The ADC, Sivasagar informed that necessary initiatives will be taken as without such IDs the Disability Certificate also could not be issued to the in-patients/destitute.

Item No.5

The District and Sessions Judge, Sivasagar further inquired about any steps being taken regarding the setting up of a De-addiction centre at Sivasagar at the Civil Hospital as was resolved vide Resolution dated 31.08.2024. The model of Deaddiction centre recently established at Chirang District can be adopted at Sivasagar, as such a centre has become an utmost necessity due to the rise in number of NDPS cases and apprehension of drug addicts. It is noticed that without such a dedicated place, the District Jail, Sivasagar is facing difficulty in keeping the drug addicts.

The ADC, Sivasagar, has apprised the meeting that steps would be taken in this regard at the earliest.

Item No.6

The District & Sessions Judge, Sivasagar, requested the ADC, Sivasagar to take up the matter regarding the setting up of an Observation Home in the district which has become an utmost

The meeting ends with vote of thanks from and to the chair.

Pardalai 28/10/2024 District & Sessions Judge,

Sivasagar

District Commissioner, Sivasagar

Addl. District & Sessions Judge, FTC Sivasagar

12/10/24

Chief Judicial Magistrate, Sivasagar

Superintendent of Police, Sivasagar

Add Superintendent of Police (Crime)

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