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NO. 5/13/2023-CASE/L-SC GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR SECRETARIAT: LAW & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Imphal, the 24th March, 2023

Subject: Promoting the Fundamental Duties of the Constitution of India.

Whereas, it shall be the duty of every citizen of India to perform the duties enshrined in Part IV-A, article 51A of the Constitution of India which are as follows:

- (a) to abide by the Constitution and respect its ideals and institutions, the National Flag and the National Anthem;
- (b) to cherish and follow the noble ideals which inspired our national struggle for freedom;
- (c) to uphold and protect the sovereignty, unity and integrity of India;
- (d) to defend the country and render national service when called upon to do so;
- (e) to promote harmony and the spirit of common brotherhood amongst all the people of India transcending religious, linguistic and regional or sectional diversities; to renounce practices derogatory to the dignity of women;
- (f) to value and preserve the rich heritage of our composite culture;
- (g) to protect and improve the natural environment including forests, lakes, rivers and wild life, and to have compassion for living creatures;
- (h) to develop the scientific temper, humanism and the spirit of inquiry and reform;
- (i) to safeguard public property and to abjure violence;
- (j) to strive towards excellence in all spheres of individual and collective activity so that the nation constantly rises to higher levels of endeavour and achievement;
- (k) who is a parent or guardian to provide opportunities for education to his child or, as the case may be, ward between the age of six and fourteen years.

Whereas, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in the Order dated 31.07.2023 passed in WP (C) No. 239 of 1998 (Hon'ble Shri Ranganath Mishra –versus- Union of India & Ors.), had directed the Central Government to take notice of the recommendations of the National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution/Committee and to take appropriate steps for their implementation as expeditiously as possible.

Whereas, in order to comply with the aforesaid directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, it is hereby instructed that all the concerned Departments of the Government of

Manipur shall strictly implement the following guidelines for generating awareness and to urge the citizens to perform their Fundamental Duties:

- 1. All Departments shall endeavour to initiate activities, programmes, etc. for promoting the Fundamental Duties.
- In case of already existing schemes/programmes, concerned Departments shall endeavour to optimize benefits under them for effectuating implementation of Fundamental Duties.
- All Departments shall ensure adherence to existing Acts/Rules/Regulations wherein Fundamental Duties are an integral part. For e.g. Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971, the Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act, 1950, etc.
- 4. Fundamental Duties are to be included as a part of Legal Awareness Programme and training programmes conducted by Legal Service Authority, Judicial Academy, Schools and Colleges.
- 5. Fundamental Duties to be included as part of subject in Social Studies/Civics at school level and higher level of studies.
- 6. Take initiatives to ensure Companies/Factories/Industries to participate in disseminating awareness on Fundamental Duties to its employees and local people within the local limits of their establishment.
- 7. Establishment governed under different labour laws and social legislations to display awareness on Fundamental Duties in conspicuous places within their establishment.
- 8. All Civic Bodies like Municipal Corporation/Boards and Panchayati Raj Institutions shall disseminate awareness on Fundamental Duties within their local limits.
- 9. Online propagation of Fundamental Duties through Official Government pages, online platform, etc.
- 10. Display of the text of article 51A 'Fundamental Duties' prominently in all State Government establishments and at public places.
- 11. Inter District Administration competition to promote Fundamental Duties with actionable plans.
- 12. Fundamental Duties be displayed by way of advertisements through newspapers, radio, TV, pre-movie telecast etc.
- 13. Creating awareness about Fundamental Duties shall be a part of every Government programme.

- 14. Fundamental Duties to be included as a part of curriculum for examinations for driving licenses, state-recruitment at different levels etc.
- 15. The natural urge for obedience of the norms of Fundamental Duties of a Government employee should also be reflected in the ACR of the employee.

It is further instructed that the concerned Departments shall issue separate and detailed guidance in the light of the recommendation made by the "Justice J.S. Verma Committee" to the concerned authorities/offices etc. within their respective control so as to ensure a full and effective implementation of this Office Memorandum.

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