TRIPURA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION KUNJABAN: AGARTALA Complaint No. 04 of 2025

(Suo-Muto Cognizance)
(Anganwadi center running without teacher)

ORDER SHEET

SL.	Date	Order	Note
No. 02	23/07/2025	Today is fixed for report of the Director, Social	
02	23/01/2025		
		Welfare & Social Education Department pursuant to the	
		order dated 04.06.2025.	
		This Commission on 04.06.2025 has taken	
	5.	cognizance in respect of a news item published in the	
		news paper, namely "Tripura Times" dated 04.06.2025,	
	= =	issue No. 225, where a news item was published under	
		the heading "Anganwadi without teacher running on	
		helper's shoulder".	*
		It was reported in that news paper that helpers	V
		generally cook food for the children who enroll in the	
		pre-primary classes under Integrated Child	*
		Development Project. But in Chechurimai village,	
	e e	Charilam, under Bishalgarh Sub-Division, the	
		Anganwadi has been running on the shoulder of an	
		Anganwadi helper. In that Anganwadi centre, the helper	
		was the in-charge, instead of Anganwadi worker.	1
		The Commission considers that by making in-charge	
		to a helper, the human rights of the children of that	*
		Anganwadi centre were being violated and it was a	
		serious issue and as such taking Suo-Muto cognizance	
	72/25	of that matter, the Commission directed the Director of	2
	80/	Social Welfare & Social Education to make an inquiry of	a .

the news item and to submit a report.

Accordingly, a report has been submitted signed by the Director of Social Welfare & Social Education vide communication No.F.1(8-34)-ICDS/SWE/HUMAN RIGHT/2023/2607(20), dated 01/07/2025.

It was mentioned that the retirement of the Anganwadi worker of the Anganwadi centre Chechurimai village, Charilam, under Bishalgarh Sub-Division **ICDS** project, Smt. Archana Debnath, Anganwadi worder of the nearest AWC was assigned the additional charge of the Thalabhanga AWC to ensure its smooth functioning. Subsequently after completion of engagement process Smt. Beauty Ghosh Debnath has been engaged as AWW at Thalabhanga AWC along with other 5 nos. of AWCs on 09.06.2025.

It is clear that every process was taken after this Commission had taken cognizance in view of the publication of news item in the news paper at Tripura Times dated 04.06.2025.

According to the report said Smt. Beauty Ghosh Debnath joined in her duties on 12.06.2025 and the AWC is now correctly functioning without any issue.

The report clearly shows that the Department has admitted the incident and thus it also clear that human rights of the children was violated by the Department by making an Anganwadi helper as in-charge of the Anganwadi Centre. Though subsequently proper person was appointed.

In this circumstances, the Commission deems it fit to recommend that the process of fresh engagement in



case of retirement of Anganwadi worker/Anganwadi helper must be completed at-least one month before the date of retirement of the Anganwadi worker/Anganwadi helper. With this recommendation, this complaint is thus disposed of.

Inform accordingly. Publish it in our website.

(Justice Arindam Lodh) Chairperson

(U.Choudhuri)
Member