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MINISTER OF LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT
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23rd May, 2007

D.O.No. S-11012/1/2007-BL

Dear Mr. Kumar,

As you are aware, the Central Government enacted the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976 whereby all persons in any form of debt bondage or forced labour had been freed from rendering such services. The Central Government had also launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for rehabilitation of bonded labourers. The scheme has since been modified to include the component of survey, awareness generation and evaluation study apart from enhancing the rehabilitation assistance for rehabilitation of bonded labour to Rs.20,000 per bonded labour, to be equally shared by the Central and State Government.

2. As a consequence of the steps taken by the Government, the incidence of bonded labour has been coming down over the years. However, some cases are still being reported from different parts of the country. The subject matter of bonded labour is a very sensitive one and each case tends to get highlighted at various fora. It is, therefore, necessary to keep a track of events in this context.

3. I shall be grateful, if you could kindly send the desired information in the enclosed format on quarterly basis. The information may preferably be sent by email at urmila.goswami@nic.in. To begin with, you may kindly send the status for the last quarter of the year 2006-07, i.e., upto 31.3.2007.

4. I would also like to draw your attention to my D.O. letter No.M-21015/1/2007-BL dated 1.5.2007 with regard to the Building and Other Construction Workers (RECS) Act, 1996. I have yet to receive the related information from your State.

regards,

Yours sincerely,

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