

Government of Karnataka

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Sub:- Bonded Labour System Report of the Central
Committee to draw up a workable definition of
Bonded Labourers and the modalities or
procedures for identification of Bonded Labourers
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Adverting to the above, a copy of the Summary of Recommendations of the Committee on definition of Bonded Labourers and modalities or procedures for identification of Bonded Labourers is enclosed herewith which has been received from the Ministry of Labour, Government of India. The recommendations of the Committee of Sri.A.K.Chakravorty, Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Gujarat, Gandhinagar who was Chaiman-cum-Convenor of the said Committee, were discussed in New Delhi. The State Government agrees to the recommendations of the Chakravorty's Committee except the following:

In para 3.16 and 3.17 a Survey has been recommended. The Government of Karnataka has suggested that the survey may be done once in three years so that there is sufficient time for rehabilitation.

At para 3.21, the State Government has also suggested that the Deputy Commissioners who are interested in the eradication of bonded labourer should be posted where this problem is in existence. This may not be possible since the Deputy Commissioner is in charge of several activities of the State Government including bonded labour. Similarly it has also been suggested by Government of India to associate students from SC/ST in the survey of identification. The State Government has considered that it is not advisable to associate students in such programmes which may lead to complications and social tension.

Except for the above paras, the State of Karnataka has agreed with all other recommendations made by the Committee in its report. This is for necessary compliance.

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To,
All the Deputy Commissioners of the State.

[For a Summary of the Recommendations, see: 9.1, pp. 36-39].