Proceedings of Personal Interview for the Post of Ombudsperson-West Bengal under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA held on 15.11.2021 at 12.00 Noon

Present,

- 1) Additional Chief Secretary, Panchayats & Rural Development Department, Government of West Bengal
- 2) Assistant Director, RE (V), Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India
- 3) Executive Director, PRASARI, India (CSO representative)
- 4) Commissioner, Mahatma Gandhi NREGA, West Bengal
- 5) Additional Secretary, Panchayats & Rural Development Department, Government of West Bengal
- 6) Deputy Secretary, Panchayats & Rural Development Department, Government of West Bengal

As per Section 30, Schedule 1 of the Mahatma Gandhi NREG Act, the States are mandated to appoint an Ombudsperson for each district to receive grievances, enquiry, and passing awards.

For appointment of "OMBUDSPERSON" personal interview is called among the applicants who applied. Applications were received against the advertisement published in News Papers (English and Bengali edition) as well as in the Department website (http://www.wbprd.gov.in) in two phases (vide no. vide no. 469(Sec)RD/O/NREGA/18M-04/08 Dated 04.10.2021 and 274(Sec) RD/O/NREGA/18M-04/08 Dated 10.02.2021. In the entire process 16 (sixteen) applications were received.

Active presence of Shri Pallav Kumar Chittej (virtually), Assistant Director, RE (V), Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India, and Shri Saikat Pal, Executive Director, PRASARI, India (nominated by the Ministry of Rural Development Government of India as a CSO representative) the entire process of Interview was accomplished. After the completions of the Personal Interview 4 (Four) applicants were unanimously selected by the committee engaged for selection of Ombudsperson.

The selection committee consulted and corroborated in selecting 4 (Four) candidates for a period. The engagement of Ombudsperson will be for an initial period of six months. The engagement can be terminated from either side with a notice period of 1 (One) month.

The engagement may also be terminated if there is any deviation from the guidelines laid down by the Ministry of Rural Development Government of India, vide no J11060/54/2020-RE-III (373836) Dated 21.01.2021.

Applicants present at Personal Interview

- 1) Shri Asim Kumar Banik
- 2) Shri Manindra Roy
- 3) Md Rahim Ali
- 4) Shri Pintu Hati
- 5) Shri Prasanta Das
- 6) Shri Sanchayan Ghosh
- 7) Shri Ujjal Kr Das (Virtually)
- 8) Md Mahidur Rahman
- 9) Shri Biswanath Das
- 10)Shri Snehasish Jana
- 11)Shri Mukesh Bairagi
- 12)Quazi Nazrul Islam

A panel short listing of candidates is as follows.

- 1) Shri Pintu Hati
- 2) Shri Prasanta Das
- 3) Shri Manindra Roy
- 4) Shri Biswanath Das

Additional Chief Secretary

Panchayats & Rural DevelopmentDepartment

Government of West Bengal