

5.23 UTTARAKHAND

5.23.1 COMMITTEES

STATE LEVEL VIGILANCE AND MONITORING COMMITTEE

A State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee has been set up under the Chairpersonship of Chief Minister, which reviews the implementation of the Act.

DISTRICT LEVEL VIGILANCE AND MONITORING COMMITTEE

The District Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee also functions under the Chairpersonship of District Collector, which reviews implementation of the Act.

5.25.2 SC/ST PROTECTION CELL

Special Inquiry Cell has been set up in each district under the supervision of Superintendent of Police for prompt action in the cases of offences of atrocities on SC/ST. The Deputy Superintendent of Police are investigating officer.

5.25.3 IDENTIFICATION OF ATROCITY PRONE AREAS

No area has been identified as atrocity prone.

5.25.4 SPECIAL COURT

Exclusive Special Courts are functioning at Nainital and Haridwar district.

In rest of Districts, the District and Session Courts have been designated as Special Courts for trial of cases under the Act.

5.25.5 LEGAL AID

The concerned District authorities provide free legal aid in all Districts of the State.

5.25.6 TRAVELLING AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES TO WITNESSES AND VICTIMS OF ATROCITIES

The travelling and maintenance expenses were provided to witnesses including victims of atrocities.

5.25.7 RELIEF MEASURES

Financial assistance is provided to the victims of offences of atrocities in accordance with the provisions of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Rules, 1995. During 2008-09, an amount of Rs. 16.44 lakhs was provided to 59 persons.