

5.10. JHARKHAND

5.10.1 COMMITTEES

STATE LEVEL VIGILANCE AND MONITORING COMMITTEE

State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee constituted under the Chairpersonship of the Chief Minister to review the implementation of the PoA Act.

DISTRICT LEVEL VIGILANCE AND MONITORING COMMITTEE

At District Level, Committee functions under the Chairpersonship of District Collector. During the year 2016, 47 meetings were held in 24 districts of the State.

5.10.2 STATE LEVEL SC AND ST PROTECTION CELL

A Special Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Protection Cell has been constituted under the Crime Investigation Branch of the Police Department to monitor investigation of offences under the PoA Act. The Cell is headed by the Inspector General of Police, CID, Jharkhand. A Special Cell has also been set up in every district.

5.10.3 REGISTRATION OF CASES AS PER PROVISIONS OF THE AMENDMENT PoA ACT

46 cases of offences of atrocities against the members of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes were registered as per the provisions of Section 3 as amended PoA Act.

5.10.4 INVESTIGATION AND FILING OF THE CHARGE SHEET WITHIN SIXTY DAYS

In accordance with Rule 7 (2) of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Rules, 2016, in 51

cases, investigation and filling of the charge sheet was done within sixty days and that in 67 cases investigation and filling of the charge sheet was done later than sixty days.

5.10.5 APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

A. NODAL OFFICER

The Secretary, SC/ST/OBC & Minorities Welfare Department, Government of Jharkhand has been appointed as a Nodal Officer.

B. SPECIAL OFFICER FOR DISTRICTS HAVING ATROCITY PRONE AREAS

The Additional Collectors/Additional District Magistrates of all twenty four districts have been appointed as Special Officers.

5.10.6 SPECIAL POLICE STATIONS

Special Police Stations are functioning in 22 districts in the State, viz. Ranchi, Gumla, Simdega, Lohardaga, Chaibasa, Saraikela, Jamshedpur, Hazaribagh, Koderma, Chatra, Giridih, Palamu, Latehar, Garhwa, Dhanbad, Bokaro, Dumka, Godda, Jamtara, Deogarh, Sahebgang and Pakur.

5.10.7 IDENTIFICATION OF ATROCITY PRONE AREAS

In the State, no area has been identified as atrocity prone area.

5.10.8 SPECIAL COURTS

The Special Courts have been set up in 24 districts viz. Ranchi, Gumla, Simdega, Lohardaga, Chaibasa, Saraikela, Jamshedpur, Hazaribagh, Koderma, Chatra, Giridih, Palamu, Latehar, Garhwa, Dhanbad, Bokaro, Dumka, Godda, Jamtara, Deogarh, Sahebgang, Pakur, Ramgarh and Khunti.

5.10.9 PERIODIC SURVEY

Periodic survey was conducted in 24 districts of the State.

5.10.10. PUBLICITY AND SENSITISATION OF OFFICERS

For creating awareness amongst public, 24 publicity/awareness programmes were organized. During the year 2016, 702 Police officials and 120 other officials were also sensitized.

5.10.11 RELIEF TO ATROCITY VICTIMS

During the year 2016, 117 atrocity victims were provided relief and rehabilitation.

5.10.12 LEGAL AID

Legal aid and other facilities were provided subjected to atrocities to enable them to avail themselves of justice.

5.10.13 TRAVELLING AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES TO WITNESSES AND VICTIMS OF ATROCITIES

Traveling and maintenance expenses to victims of atrocities and witnesses were provided in accordance with the PoA Rules, 1995.