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Government of India  
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated 22nd October 2013.

## ORDER

Subject: Constitution of an Expert Committee on the issues relating to 'Transgender'.

The problems being faced by the Transgender community have been brought to the notice of the Government in the recent past. Two **Public Interest Litigations** have also been filed, one in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the other in **High Court, Mumbai**. A meeting was organized by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment on 23/8/2013 to discuss the issues relating to Transgender community. **The Government have decided to constitute a Committee** to make an in-depth study of the problems being faced by the Transgender community. The composition of the Committee will be as follows:

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| (i)     | Additional Secretary, Department of Social Justice & Empowerment   | Chairperson      |
| (ii)    | Dr. Sanjai Bhatt, Professor, Delhi School of Social Work   | Member           |
| (iii)   | Dr. Rajesh Kumar, HoD, Deptt. of Distance & Continuing Education, University of Delhi                            | Member           |
| (iv)    | Dr. Ketki Ranade, Professor, Tata Institute of Social Sciences   | Member           |
| (v)     | Dr. Archana Dassi, Associate Professor, Department of Social Work, Jamia Milia Islamia University                | Member           |
| (vi)    | Dr. C.R. Samadder, I.A.S. (Retd) Former Principal Secretary Govt of Assam  | Member           |
| (vii)   | Dr. Fatima Vasanth, Principal Cum Secretary, Madras School of Social Work  | Member           |
| (viii)  | Professor Dipesh Chandra Nath, D/o Applied Psychology, Kolkata University, 92, A.P.C. Road, Kolkota              | Member           |
| (ix)    | Ms. Laxmi Narayan Tripathi, Consultant, UNDP   | Member           |
| (x)     | Ms. Priya Babu, No-153, Nagaraniillam, 6th West Extn Krisnapuram colony, Madurai (TN)                            | Member           |
| (xi)    | Ms.Seeta Kinnar Bharti, 2363, IInd Floor, Jivan Building, Opp Metro Pillar no. 218, West Patel Nagar, N. Delhi-8 | Member           |
| (xii)   | Ms. Saira Banu Sheikh.5/1202, NRI Complex, Nerul (West) Navi Mumbai- 400706                                      | Member           |
| (xiii)  | Representative of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare  | Member           |
| (xiv)   | Representative of Ministry of Home Affairs   | Member           |
| (xv)    | Representative of Ministry of External Affairs   | Member           |
| (xvi)   | Representative of Ministry of Human Resource Development   | Member           |
| (xvii)  | Representative of Ministry of Rural Development  | Member           |
| (xviii) | Joint Secretary (SD)   | Member-Secretary |