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of his family after meeting the genuine shop expenses. This request is just for a class IV employee treatment / salary for our services. We had shown your goodself about the recommendations of the Wadhwa Commission for increasing margin money to Rs. 70/- PQ & even about the affidavit filed by Sh. Arvind Kejriwal (Present Chief Minister) through his NGO- "Parivartan" in 4/2007 for a minimum earning of Rs. 15000/- p.m. by FPSs. In fact on seeing these documents Sh Saurabh Bharadwaj Minister (F &S) GONCT on 13 Jan, 2014 he was convinced about reasourableness of our request for Rs. 20,000/- earnings after meeting our expenses of about Rs. 31500/-p.m. He had assured & promised us justified actions in two weeks time. Sir, you have expressed helplessness in this regard to suggest any further increase over Rs. 1/- per kg for consideration by the Delhi Govt. now but may be after some times we can review again but a beginning be made for the present (Our comment : In all probability in our view of the matter it would not be feasible& easy over the period of next three years and hence proposed increase not at all acceptable to us. This view of the Sangh is unanimous and may please be noted).

2. The second issue your goodself had suggested us that the Department is also considering to allow all the FPSs in Delhi to sell additional items so that by some additional generation of income economic viability of the shops would improve. And soon an order today or tomorrow the Department would release about this. Items were not specified. But we place on records our sincere thanks & gratitude for your positive thinking in the interest of FPSs. However, we submitted before your honour that within the prescribed norm on size of our shop premises of 3'x5'x5' fixed by the Department, we are able to hardly accommodate Wheat, Rice & Sugar and nothing else would be feasible to store in addition. Moreover dust pollution in handling present SFAs is a big constraint in handling diversified items the department is contemplating. We will be able to further suggest once we know the items/articies being envisaged. We also brought to your kind notice about similar efforts suggested by Sh. Dharam Pal IAS , that the then Commissioner (F & S) two years back for getting us Pulses/Palmoline Oil etc through "Kendriya Bhandar" and our delegation had accordingly met MD, Kendriya Bhandar but the rate parity with open market and logistical problems of delivery system, it was not all found possible feasible & proposal died its own natural death. Kindly keep this in view.
3. As regards your efforts to rationalize allocation of Ration cards a minimum of 1000 per FPS so that with at least 225 quintal of SFAs and Margin Money/ Commission of Rs. 100/- PQ each FPS shall be able to muster Rs. 22500/ p.m. and after meeting shop expenses of about Rs. 15000/- as per Department's calculations each FPS will have at least Rs. 10,000/- net earning each month. This calculation of Rs. 15,000 towards shop expenses considered by the department is totally unrealistic and request you honour to considered details personally handed over to you in the meeting, of Rs. 31500/-. We will respect your efforts in this direction for attachment of 1000 ration cards with each FPS but wish it to be done soonest by the Department as a large number of FPS (2000 approx) are not having Ration Cards even more than 700 and financially suffering adversely.
4. In respect of timings of the FPSs for opening / closing times or weekly off, we felt your positive approach to revise the same soon will be welcomed by one & all FPSs (We suggest - 3 pm to 7 pm shop timings and weekly off on ___SUNDAY___)
5. Sir, we noted your appeal to us as regards deposition of drafts/cheque towards cost of SFAs against the monthly allocations of March 2014 by 8 February, 2014. In this regard we have already humbly submitted before the Minister, F & S about unanimous decision of a

very large number of FPSs of Delhi that due to total depletion of our capital base due to non receipt of any compensation whatsoever since 1st September 2013 toward margin money/commission apart from pending old dues of margin money of over 26 months form Nov. 2011 onwards plus expenses incurred by us during the last five months, it would not be possible for us to arrange funds and deposit in February 2014. We had further also kept your office informed vide our letter dated 16th January 2014.

6. Respected Sir, we admire your sincere efforts to the effect that from 1st April 2014, the entire payment of margin money/commission would be paid by the department Suo moto through RTGS on month to month basis directly into the Bank Account of the FPSs because of computerization of all the details on allocation, sales etc. We will cooperate by giving our Bank A/c Numbers to the Department through the FSO/AC concerned for doing the needful.

As regards the arrears of margin money for the last 26 months we will urge and humbly request your honour to order for its release without any further delay. The matter is sub-justice in the Honourable High Court of Delhi, New Delhi, under which only the Department released in April/July 2013 when some FPSs moved the matter before the honourable court. Such tendencies & approach should be avoided at least in future forcing us to approach redressal through Court of Law.

We look forward for your kind indulgence in the matter keeping in view our genuine request to propose for the consideration of the Cabinet the margin money/ commission to Rs. 280/per quintal about which we have already given in writing full justification on 3/8th October 2013 followed with 5th January 2014 which we request your kind honour to please have a look once, which we doubt have received your attention. We are prepared to assist your honour for any further clarifications you order us.

Yours faithfully



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