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Second Phase of Fast-unto-Death for not fulfilling written assurance given by the JK UT Administration on 30-09-2020.

Today, Phase Two of our Fast-unto-Death entered the second day. Both Sanjay Tickoo Ji and Sandeep Ji are in high spirits and determined now to take this battle to its logical conclusion. Now, only government orders fulfilling our demands would be acceptable to the Samiti.

We recount our ordeal hereunder.

Since June 2020, hundreds of communications have been sent to all the concerned authorities of J&K UT to implement the recommendations of MHA, vide their letter no 12013/6/2014. K.V. dated 4th December 2015, communicating approval for jobs in favour of non-migrant Kashmiri Pandits /Kashmiri Hindu living in the valley and another communication from MHA, vide their letter no.16030/05/2020-JK dated 23rd June 2020, reiterating the same.

On 27th August 2020, a delegation of KPSS met Hon'ble Luitenant Governor at Raj Bhawan, Srinagar, and submitted a detailed memorandum along with copies of recommendations of MHA and the orders passed by the Hon'ble High Court in favour of non-migrant Kashmir Pandits /Kashmir Hindus living in the valley. The Hon'ble L.G. assured the delegation that the demands would be taken up on priority as those related to the very survival of 808 Non-Migrant Kashmir Pandit/ Kashmir Hindu families living in Kashmir valley.

Unfortunately, nothing moved in the administration to resolve our demands, forcing the KPSS to undertake the 'FIRST PHASE of FAST-UNTO-DEATH' on 20/09/2020. On 30th September 2020, the worthy Deputy Commissioner, Srinagar, representing the J&K UT Administration, visited the venue of the fast and handed over a written assurance that the memorandum of demands of the Samiti would be placed before the government for consideration on priority and a meeting with KPSS would be organized post haste.

On 5th October 2020, a delegation of KPSS met Shri Baseer Khan, Hon'ble Advisor to L.G. in Civil Secretariat, Srinagar. The meeting took place in the presence of the worthy Deputy Commissioner, Srinagar. The Hon'ble Advisor assured us that all our demands would be considered on priority and a final meeting with KPSS would be organized within a week. Since then, we are waiting for the final meeting. Here we want to mention that worthy Deputy Commissioner Srinagar tried his best for this 'final meeting' with the Hon'ble Advisor.



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Almost 50 days have passed now, but there is no progress in the matter compelling Shri Sanjay Tickoo, President of KPSS, to undertake the Second Phase of the 'FAST-UNTO-DEATH' along with young activist of KPSS Shri Sandeep Koul.

Charter of Demands:

- 1) Implementation of Hon'ble High Court directions and recommendations of the Ministry of Home Affairs regarding Jobs to the unemployed educated Kashmiri Pandit/Kashmiri Hindu youths.
- 2) DMRR&R deliberately delayed the process by more than four years as such give one time age relaxation to all the over-age candidates' w.e.f. 31.05.2016 (date of the judgment passed by Hon'ble High Court in OWP 1986/2013 titled Kashmiri Pandit Sangarash Samiti and others vs. Union of India and others)
- 3) Monthly Financial Aid to 808 Non-Migrant Kashmiri Pandit – Kashmiri Hindu families living in Kashmir Valley
- 4) Providing accommodation to all deserving Non-Migrant Kashmiri Pandit – Kashmiri Hindu families living in Kashmir Valley as per recommendations of the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- 5) Extension of benefits of Migrant Welfare Fund to the Non-Migrant Kashmiri Pandits – Kashmiri Hindus living in Kashmir Valley.

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