

F.No. 11/21022/52(62)/2012-FCRA(MU)
Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
Foreigners Division
(FCRA wing)

NDCC-II Building, (Opposite Jantar Mantar)
Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110001

Dated: July, 2015
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ORDER

Whereas, the association, Citizen for Justice and Peace, Nirant, Juhu Tara Road, Juhu, Mumbai (hereinafter referred to as association), is registered under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 (42 of 2010) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act) vide Registration No.083781100 to accept foreign contribution;

2. Whereas, it has come to the notice of this Ministry that the association has violated various provisions of the Act, therefore, under Section 23 of the Act an on-site inspection of records and accounts of the association was conducted from 06th to 08th April, 2015;

3. Whereas, the association is registered for the activities in the nature of Educational and Economic, but has received and utilized foreign contribution for different nature that falls under Social. Thus has violated the mandate of the Registration Certificate issued by Ministry of Home Affairs;

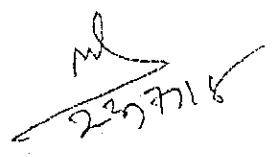
4. Whereas, both Ms. Teesta Setalvad and Mr. Javed Anand are the Key Functionaries of the association and are also working as Directors as well as co-Editor, Printers, Publisher of their company namely, M/s Sabrang Communications & Publishing Pvt. Ltd., which is having RNI No.MHHEG/1993-1142 and had Published a Magazine called "Communalism Combat". Further, both, from time to time keep on writing various articles in Newspapers & Magazines. Thus Section 3(1)(b) & (h) of FCRA, 2010 has been violated;

5. Whereas, the association submitted the false and misleading information for the financial year 2008-2009 to 2010-2011 which has not been properly synchronized as the purposes for which funds were received and reported to the Ministry were at variance. Thus it attracts Section 33(a) of FCRA, 2010;

6. Whereas, the association has reflected different figures towards expenses incurred on legal aid in their books of accounts for the financial year 2009-2010 viz. Income & Expenditure statement shows Rs.9,69,706/- but Receipt & Payment Accounts shows Rs.6,95,500/-. Thus it attracts Section 33 (a) of FCRA, 2010;

7. And, whereas, the association received a total foreign contribution of Rs.1,18,11,745/- during the financial years from 2008-2009 to 2013-2014. Out of which more than 80% i.e. Rs.95,05,600/- received for Legal Aid which falls in Social nature. However, as per mandate of Registration Certificate the association has been registered under the nature of Educational and Economic. Hence association has violated the Mandate of Registration Certificate;


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8. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 9(d) of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 (42 of 2010), the Central Government hereby orders that the association namely, Citizens for Justice and Peace, Nirant, Juhu Tara Road, Juhu, Mumbai (FCRA Registration No. 083781100R), in public interest, shall obtain the prior permission of Central Government before accepting any foreign contribution, from the date of this order, until further orders.


(Mahendra Kumar)
Deputy Secretary (MU)
Tel No.011-2343-8035


To
The Chief Functionary,
Citizen for Justice and Peace,
'Nirant', Juhu Tara Road,
Juhu, Mumbai,
Maharashtra.

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Copy for information and necessary action to:

1. Ms. Lily Vadera, Chief General Manager, Department of Banking Operations and Development, Reserve Bank of India, Central Office Building, 13th Floor, Shahid Bhagat Singh Marg, Fort, Mumbai-400001 with the request to instruct the IDBI Bank, Khar Branch, Mumbai to ensure that any fund flow in the account No.014104000204736 of the association namely, Citizen for Justice and Peace may be brought to the notice of this Ministry so that the funds are allowed to be credited into the account of the recipient only after clearance of this Ministry.
2. The Branch Manager, IDBI Bank, Khar Branch, Mumbai, Maharashtra with the request to ensure that any fund flow in the account No.014104000204736 of the association namely, Citizen for Justice and Peace may be brought to the notice of this Ministry so that the funds are allowed to be credited into the account of the recipient only after clearance of this Ministry.


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