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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR PROTECTION OF CHILD RIGHTS

D.O. No. 21012/06/2009-NCPCR(PD)

2nd September 2009

Subject: Visit of NCPCR Team to North Cachar Assam from 5th to 7th August 2009 – Issue of Displaced Children caught in ethnic violence.

Dear Sir,

In pursuance to letter No.540/31/C/17/09-ES.2 dated 24.6.2009 of Prime Minister Office (PMO) regarding killing of children during ethnic violence in NC hills between Dimasa and Naga UGs in Assam, a 5-member team from the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) that included Dr. Shantha Sinha, Chairperson; Ms Dipa Dixit, Member; Mr. Ramanath Nayak, Consultant, NCPCR besides Dr. J.M. Lyngdoh, ex-Chief Election Commissioner of India & Ms Enakshi Ganguly, HAQ Centre for Child Rights, New Delhi visited North Cachar Hills to understand the impact of ethnic violence on children in the area.

2. The Commission visited the villages as well as camps and received full cooperation of the district officials. It found that children were subject to untold hardship and require full attention to restore their childhood as well as to bring stability in the families of affected population. The NCPCR felt that the camps may be seen as centres for restoration of democracy in the area and building trust and faith of the community even as it offers relief and restoration to its inhabitants.

3. I am enclosing the tour report of the NCPCR team along with our recommendations, which we have submitted to the Chief Secretary, Government of Assam (copy attached).

4. I would also like to meet you in person to discuss the predicament in children in areas of civil unrest and share our policy recommendations on other issues. I, therefore, request you to kindly give us (myself and Ms Dipa Dixit) some time to meet you at the earliest.

With respectful regards,

Yours sincerely,

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(Shantha Sinha)

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Hon'ble Prime Minister of India,
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