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SMT. S. B. Marak MCS, State Commissioner for Persons With Disabilities. Temple Road, Lachumiere 793001

Subject: advice to the government related to Corporate Social Responsibility.

Respected madam,

As the reference cited above the Blind Lead Trust (BLT) Non-Government-Organization would like to recommend or advise you related to the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds where all of the Non-Profit Organizations depends for their income or expenditure based on their activities from the companies which were clearly said that at least (2%) of companies income should go to the charity or non government organization so that they can have a sustainable and contribute to the society.

According to our understanding, this is the best way for the persons with disabilities organizations in the state or country to get support in the financial income in easy way so that they don't have to suffered a lot so that they can have a sustainable development in their organization to promote for the social welfare and development through the projects so as to make sure that we are accessible in such kinds of activities for the inclusive society. Therefore, if the government takes this CSR as a step or the scheme for the persons with disabilities NGOs along with the rules to follow, maybe it will be a great initiative or opportunity for them.

We understood that this is a private part. But somehow if you take it seriously there is the option at least to promote for the companies who earn from the state of Meghalaya to contribute their (2%) to the visually impaired or other persons with disabilities NGOs or charity who are really in need. There are a lot of companies which have been established, brought and grown in our state. Maybe it is not a big deal for the government to proceed with it. Because there are rules about this, called the Companies Act 2013. Here is the example,

https://www.responsenet.org/skill-development-and-sustainable-livelihoods-csr-implementation-

skill-india/?nis=8

Dated: 2/06/2003.

According to our findings there are a lot of persons with disabilities NGOs including us who have collected community fundraising from the local people, markets etc. So, we found that it has avoid and speak according to their opinions and also if they always continue like that it will shopkeeper used to be silent and never respond because they thought that we were coming to collect donations. We understood that the economy is very low in our state. That is why people try to avoid us because there are so many organizations. But we from the organization are really urging the government through the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities to find out the way and means for us related to this matter. This topic is very compulsory for NGOs like us. We from our organization have submitted the letters to five or seven big companies who earn economic income in our state but they are not paying attention to our request. Actually we had done the basic research. Maybe the government can do a great research in a good manner about it.

Another topic: We just wanted to mentioned that the visually impaired people or other persons with disabilities used to ask or apply for the rented house in the city the owners try to not give them a house because they thought that these persons with disabilities could not pay for the rent until and unless we bring someone else who is sighted and promise them to pay for the rent or prove them that we are working under the government. So, we understand that we are losing the trust from the people which makes the persons with disabilities lose their faith in the society.

In this situation it is important to increase the awareness program or if there are any options or rules from the government we do want to know what kinds of steps you should take to protect the rights of persons with disabilities. At least we have experienced ourselves and with some visually impaired in the surrounding area of the city.

We look forward to your positive response on this matter.

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