

AN EXTRACT OF THE TELEPHONE CALL FROM SHRI M.M.SHARMA (Retired Officer-on-Special Duty, and presently being employed on Contract Basis in DG's Cell, CSIR, New Delhi) TO N.SURESH PRASAD (President, CFTRI-EU), ON 10.07.2001 AROUND 11.50 AM. The Call was received at Telephone No. 514534 of TTBD Department

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After inquiring on each others well-being, Mr.Sharma initiated the talk on the following :

With regard to the matter relating to Absorption of IFTTC Hostel Mess Staff, Mr. M.M. Sharma informed NSP that, if this issue is taken as a policy matter in the CSIR and a favourable decision is taken in the GB, then the decision will have wider implications/effects as there are several workers in CSIR who have been working on a similar status as that of IHM staff, including daily-wage workers. So, the CSIR feels that, let the IHM staff pursue their case in High Court. Even if they have withdrawn the case, let them pursue their case once again.

He further assured that, from the CSIR side, they will not dispute over their claim for absorption. Ms.Manju Bagoi will be instructed accordingly. Mr. Sharma further said that since Dr.Prakash has been requesting and pressurizing the DG time and again, the DG has passed the file to him for examining it. In his eyes, he feels this is the only solution left for helping the IHM staff.

To this, NSP replied that, as this matter is pending before CFTRI/CSIR for more than two years (after the CAT judgement) with favourable assurances from Dr.Prakash, , now it may not be possible for these staff to go to High Court mainly due to their miserable financial position. Besides, this may take further several years. It was further said that, at present Dr.Prakash, Mr.Sharma and DG are there – afterwards don't know who will be there and who will not be there, and the favourable stand of CSIR may be changed.

To this, Mr. Sharma said that, aare bhai, when once they file the case in High Court, the CSIR will not dispute their claim in the court. Ms.Manju Bagoi, will also help in getting an early hearing in the court. In the first hearing itself, the CSIR sees that the case is decided in favour of IHM staff.

To this, Mr.NSP replied that, he will discuss this viewpoint of CSIR with his other EC members. In the meantime, NSP requested Mr.Sharma to inform this matter to Dr.Prakash, so that he could tell to us in an informal meeting, which we have been seeking with him for the past couple of weeks.

Mr. Sharma agreed to talk to Dr.Prakash, and further reiterated that this is a very good solution for helping the IHM staff, and he requested NSP to agree for the same.

Later, Mr.NSP, asked him about the meeting of the Federation representatives with CSIR officials. He replied that now it is not in his hands, the JS is directly dealing with this. Moreover, Mr.K.D.Sharma has also been visiting CSIR for this purpose.

With this, the telephonic conversation between Mr.M.M.Sharma and Mr.NSP ended.

