

## **Forum for Good Governance**

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To The Hon'ble Chief Minister Government of Telangana Hyderabad

Respected Sir.

Sub: Police Reforms - Implementation of Supreme Court orders for Police Reforms -Reg.

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Hon'ble Supreme Court of India issued certain directions to the State Governments pertaining to reforms in Police establishment. Inter-alia, this order of the Court says constitution of State Security Commission (S.S.C.) and establishment of State Police complaint authority at state and district level.

The Court observed that S.S.C will ensure State Government do not exercise unwarranted influence or pressure on the state Police and the said Commission shall lay down broad policy guidelines, so that the state police always act according to the law of the land and the constitution of the country. This watch dog body shall be headed by Chief Minister or Home Minister as chairman and shall have the D.G.P. as ex-officio Secretary. The other members are leader of the opposition, a judge sitting or retired nominated C.J. of High Court, Chief Secretary, three non-political citizens of proven merit and integrity.

As there was no move to constitute the S.S.C. in Telangana, the Hon'ble High Court took up suo-moto case and the case has come up for hearing on 9-7-2021. Two day before (on 7-7-2021) hurriedly Government constituted a State Security Commission headed by Home Minister as Chairperson and D.G.P. as ex-officio Secretary and few other members, just to satisfy the Court direction. The Commission was constituted but it never met or did any work expected of it, it remained on paper only.

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Another direction of Supreme Court was to constitute Police Complaint Authority at district level to look into complaints against Police officers of and up to the rank of Dy. S.P. Similarly, there should be another Police complaint authority at the state level to look into complaints against officers of the rank of S.P. and above. The district level authority may be headed by a retired district Judge, while the state level authority may be headed by a retired Judge of High Court / Supreme Court. The authorities may be assisted by five members and they shall be selected by the Lokayukta /Public Service Commission. The state level complaint authority would take cognizance of only allegations of serious misconduct by Police personnel. The district level complaints Authority may inquire into allegations of corruption, extortion, land /House grabbing or any incident involving serious abuse of authority. The recommendations of the Authority shall be binding on the Government.

After the formation of Telangana, Government of the day took the Police department under its control. Even for postings of S.I. and C.I. concerned M.L.A. is having a say. Police department shifted its loyalty from constitution to politicians. Plum postings and post retirement appointment were used as bait for police officers to do what political bosses say. Most of the weak hearted police officers succumbed to the bait and committed serious irregularities. With the police and political nexus Nayeem an ordinary street rowdy has grown up in to a gangster. For about a decade he committed murders, illegal occupations, extortion without any fear of law. Politicians using Police personnel for phone tapping and the police officials obediently carrying out phone tapping is a culmination of police and politician's nexus. Had there been a functioning S.S.C in Telangana the phone tapping could have not taken place. Interestingly the state Government objected to formation of police complaint authority on the ground that such authority will demoralize the Police personnel. This is an absurd contention of the Government.

To relieve the Police department from the clutches of politicians and to inquire the allegations on police officials there should be State Security Commission and Police complaint authority. It is rather unfortunate that to hoodwink the Hon'ble High Court government constituted State Security commission which never functioned.

Forum for Good Governance requests the Hon'ble Chief Minister to immediately take steps to constitute State Security commission and Police complaint authority.

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Yours Sincerely Marial

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## Establish Telangana security panel, FGG urges Revanth govt

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Hyderabad: President of Forum for Good Governance (FGG), M Padmanabha Reddy, has urged the state govt to constitute a state security commission (SSC) and also establish a state police complaint authority.

The Supreme Court had issued certain directives to the states about reforms in the police establishment.

"This court order mandates the constitution of an SSC and establishment of a complaint authority at the state and district levels," said Padmanabha Reddy.

The court observed that SSC would ensure that the state govt does not exert unwarranted influence or pressure on police. The commission will lay down broad policy guidelines to ensure that police always act in accordance with the law of the land and the Constitution, he said.

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uld be headed by the chief minister or home minister as chairman, with the DGP serving as ex-officio secretary, he recalled.

"As there was no move to constitute the SSC in Telangana, the high court took up a suo motu case and heard it in July 2021. Two days before the hearing, the govt hastily constituted an SSC merely to satisfy the court directive. However, the commission remained non-functional and existed only on paper," Reddy added.

## భద్రతా కమిషన్ ఏర్పాటు చేయండి

## సీఎం రేవంత్ రెడ్డికి ఎఫ్ జీజీ వినతి

హైదరాబాద్, వెలుగు: పోలీస్ వ్యవస్థపై రాజకీయ ఒత్రిది తగ్గించేందుకు రాష్ట్రంలో భద్రతా కమిషన్, పోలీస్ కంప్లయింట్ ఆథార్ట్ టీని ఏర్పాటు చేయాలని ఫోరం ఫర్ గుడ్ గవర్నెస్స్(ఎఫ్జీజీ) ప్రెసిడెంట్ పద్మ నాభరెడ్డి కోరారు. ఈ అంశంపై సీఎం రేవంత్ రెడ్డికి ఆయన సోమవారం లేఖ రాశారు. ఈ కమిషన్లో సీఎం లేదా హోం మంత్రి పైసిదెంట్గా, డీజీపీ సె క్రటరీగా, అసెంబ్లీలో ప్రతిపక్ష నేత, హైకోర్తు సీజే లేదా ఆయన సూచించిన రిటైర్డ్ జడ్డి ఉందాలని సుపీంకోర్లు సూచించిందని లేఖలో గుర్తు చేశారు. 2021 లో కమిషన్ ఏర్పాటు చేయాలని హైకోర్తులో పిల్ దాఖలు చేస్తే విచారణ టైమ్లో కమిషన్ ఏర్పా టుకు అప్పటి ప్రభుత్వం హామీ ఇచ్చిందని, ఆపై దాటవేసిందని వివరించారు. జిల్లాలో కానిస్టేబుల్ నుంచి డీఎస్సీ, రాష్టస్థాయిలో ఎస్పీ నుంచి పైస్థాయి అధికారులపై ఫిర్యాదులు తీసుకునేందుకు పోలీస్



కంప్లయింట్ అథారిటీ పనిచేస్తుందని పద్మనాభరెడ్డి తెలిపారు. గత పాలకులు పోలీస్ శాఖను తమ గు ప్పిట్లో పెట్టుకున్నారని, ఇటీవల బయటపడిన ఫోన్ ట్వాపింగ్ వ్యవహారమే ఇందుకు ఉదాహరణ అని ఆయన గుర్తు చేశారు. రిటైర్ పోలీసు అధికారులను ఓఎస్టీలుగా నియమించి ఎన్నో అక్రమాలకు గత పాలకులు పాల్పద్దారని ఆరోపించారు.

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