Introduction

The Karnataka Government in its Budget speech 2014-15 declared that Sir Sayed Ahmed Khan Study and Research Centre will be established as a model centre to undertake research and evaluation of the programmes of Minorities Welfare Department.

In pursuance of the Government Number: MWD 307 MDS 2014, dated 02-08-2015, and Order -01 Sl. No.15, The Director, Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP) of the National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru submitted a proposal for the creation of Chair on Religious Minorities at NLSIU to undertake research, organize seminars, impart training, and bring out publications on socio-economic and educational development of Muslim, Christian, Jain, Buddhist, Sikh and Parsee, Religious Minorities in Karnataka. Based on the proposal submitted by NLSIU F. No. CSSEIP, dated 13-08-2015 and the Government Order No. MWD 340, MDS 2015, Bengaluru, dated 18-12-2015, the Chair on Religious Minorities has been created under Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP) of the National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru.

Thrust Area

The Directorate allocates to the Chair the thrust area Religious Minorities and Inclusive Development for pursuing study, research, teaching, extension activities etc.

Title of the Chair

The Chair will be known as “The Chair on Religious Minorities” (thrust area/subject) and will hereinafter be referred to as the Chair.

Objectives

a) The Directorate sets up the Chair in “Religious Minorities” at Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP), of the National Law
School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru for pursuing study, research, teaching, extension activities etc. for the overall socio-economic and educational development of Religious Minorities in Karnataka.

b) The main objective of this Scheme is to provide well-equipped Centre of learning to intellectuals, academicians, policy makers and students to undertake studies and research with an intention to understand, asses and disseminate the knowledge, ideas and strategies drawn from Economics, Political Science, Sociology, Law, Religion, Philosophy, Constitutional Studies, Education, Social Work, Human Rights as well as other disciplines considered relevant for the attainment of overall development of Religious Minorities in particular and our National Goal of Social Justice in general.

c) In each of these disciplines the focus of research, teaching and extension activities will be the Religious Minorities in Karnataka.

d) In achieving this objective, the Chair shall also undertake research and higher studies concerning the socio-economic and cultural life of the religious minority groups and other weaker sections of the society.

e) The Chair would strive to develop appropriate methodologies to translate research studies into practical propositions and policy instruments.

**Functions**

a. Broadly the Chair shall serve as Centre of learning and research on the issues concerning the socio-economic and cultural life of Religious Minorities such as Muslims, Christians, Jains, Buddhists, Sikhs and Parsees within the State of Karnataka in particular and India in general.

b. In pursuance of these objectives, the Chair shall specially focus on studies relating to planning, co-ordination, implementation and evaluation of schemes and programmes of the Directorate of Minorities/Minority Welfare Department.

c. These objectives shall be achieved not only by conducting research and teaching, but also by organizing seminars, symposia, workshops, training, outreach programmes and other similar academic activities.

d. To carry out any Other relevant activity/study w.r.t. to Minority Welfare as instructed by the department of Minority Welfare, Directorate of Minorities and Sir. Syed Ahmed Khan Study and Research Centre.

**Staffing Pattern**

a) To carry out the above mentioned objectives and to discipline the functions assigned to them the Chair set up in NLSIU will have the following staff:-
## Salary Cost

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## Management of the Scheme

a) The Scheme of establishment and management of Chair on Religious Minorities shall be administered by Directorate of Minorities, Minorities Welfare Department, Government of Karnataka.

b) Instruction and guidelines issued from the Directorate from time to time shall be binding and strictly followed in carrying out the affairs of the Chair.

c) The Chair shall function as an integral unit of the University/Institution/Department under which it is set up. For all day-to-day administrative and academic purposes, Professor heading the Chair shall report to the Head/Chairperson of the Department - Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP) of NLSIU, Bengaluru under which it is established.

d) The University/Institution shall set up an Advisory Committee consisting of five persons with NLSIU Vice-Chancellor as Chairperson, CSSEIP Director as Ex-officio member and Chair Professor will be the convenor of the committee. Vice-Chancellor shall nominate two experts in the field of Religious Minorities.

e) The Advisory Committee, duly constituted by the University / Institution, shall be notified and intimated to the Directorate, Any change in the composition of the Committee shall also be duly informed to the Directorate.

f) The advisory Committee is not entitled to get any type of sitting fees, remuneration etc.,
CHAIR ON RELIGIOUS MINORITIES

Government of Karnataka Order No. MWD.340 MDS 2015 Dated 18.12.2015 started a “Chair on Religious Minorities” in Centre for Study of Social Exclusive and Inclusive Policy at National Law School in Nagarbhavi Bangalore. This Chair established to carry out various activities. Total allocation for the year to this chair is Rs. 43.65 laths.

This Chair consists of,

1. One Professor
2. One Research Assistant
3. One Office Assistant

ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIR.

1. To carry out various studies regarding Socio-Economic conditions of Minorities.
2. To organise various Training Programmes for the executives of the Directorate of Minorities and for selected individuals from the religious minorities.
3. To study and survey madarasas of the Karnataka state.
4. To organise various seminars, symposiums, discussions on Minority Rights and other issues.
5. To evaluate the govt. schemes and give appropriate suggestions and advises in implementing the schemes.
6. Other activities now and then suggested by Directorate of Minorities, Sir Sayed Ahmed Khan Study and Research Centre from time to time.
Sir Sayed Ahmed Khan Study and Research Centre

Govt. Order dated MWD.207MDS 2014 Dated 26.8.2015 Govt. of Karnataka created
Sir Sayed Ahmed Khan Study and Research Centre in Bangalore.

This centre is headed by Deputy Director having 7 office staff. This institution works under Director of Directorate of Minorities.

**Activities of the Centre:**

1. To study critically various state govt. and central govt. programmes.
2. Recommending special schemes for overall development of the minorities of the state.
3. Conducting seminars, workshops, trainings regarding Minority issues in state, district and taluk level.
4. Conducting special study regarding minority women and their status in economic, social and educational fields.
5. Conducting Special study and survey pertaining Minority development.
6. Documenting various studies and reports regarding minorities. And producing short documentaries.
7. Establishing library and financial assistance to the researchers who research in the field of minority issues.
8. Formulating special educational and social programmes for minority govt. aided, private schools and colleges. Conducting special study on progress of minorities.
9. Establishing museums regarding minority civilization and their culture, tradition etc.
10. Conducting various studies on various schemes of govt., and suggesting changes or improvements in implementation.
11. Establishing well-equipped library, digital library and providing scanner, printer, projector, Xerox machine and other essential equipments to the institution.
12. Giving incentives to M.Phil and PhD. students in their minority related research.
13. Conducting various types of competitive exams training programmes for Minority youths.
14. Conducting various trainings and awareness programmes for Minority officials and staff.
15. Having co-ordination with all universities of the state and opening Minority study chairs in the universities to study minority issues.
16. Comparative studying the govt. schemes of various states of India and submitting the state govt. to formulate such schemes in the state.
17. Monitoring and evaluating the govt. schemes.
18. Taking co-operation and co-ordination from various wings of Minority welfare department. Such as, Minority Directorate, Minority Commission, KMDC, Urdu Academy, Wakf Board, Haj etc.
19. Minority department's other wings should cooperate with Sir Sayed Ahmed Khan study and research centre.
20. Executing the programmes as instructed by the govt from time to time.