

**MISSION FOR ELIMINATION OF POVERTY IN MUNICIPAL AREAS
(MEPMA)**

TELANGANA STATE

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To
The Commissioner,
Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation,
Hyderabad

Lr. No. 153980/MEPMA-SUSV/GRV/1

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Sub: MEPMA–SUSV–Harassment of Street Vendors/ Hawkers by GHMC officials and violation of the Street Vendors (Protection of livelihood and regulation of street Vending Act) 2014 – Reg.

Ref:

1. Memo No.11867/UBS/2019, Dt.01.11.19 of Jt. Secy to GoTS, MA&UD(UBS) Dept
2. Memo No.10154/UBS/2019, Dt:23.09.19 of Jt. Secy to GoTS, MA&UD(UBS) Dept
3. Letter from Sri. S. Venkat Mohan, President of Telangana Street Vendors and Hawkers Union, dt. 13.09.2019 & 07.08.2019G.O. Ms. No.11, MA & UD (UBS), dt. 05.01.2016.
4. Memo No.6662/UBS/2014, Dt.11.01.16, of the Spl. CS to GoTS MA&UD(UBS) Dept.

I invite your attention to the references cited, and it is to inform you that, the Government of India has published the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014 to protect the rights of urban street vendors and to regulate street vending activities. The act is meant to faster a congenial environment for the Urban Street Vendors to carry out their activities towards the alleviation of poverty in cities and towns.

Further, the Scheme of Street Vending is notified in the Extra-ordinary Gazette of Telangana State on 05.01.2016, under which Town Vending Committees (TVC) are to be constituted in all ULBs. The implementation of program rests with the TVC under the overall supervision of Municipal Council. The Police and Government official are also part of Town Vending Committees and are having equivalent responsibility to implement the judgment and Act.

Further, vide ref 1st, 2nd and 3rd cited, Sri. Venkata Mohan, President, Telangana Street Vendors and Hawkers Union has represented that local GHMC officials and traffic police are violating the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act 2014 and harassing the vendors/ Hawkers by evicting and relocating them from the place of vending and imposing penalty.

Also, the Government vide ref 4th cited (copy enclosed), has decided that till all the eligible urban Street Vendors are relocated in the identified vending zones, they shall not be evicted from the present location. Further, vide Sec.3 (3) of the Street Vendors Act, “No Street Vendor shall be evicted or as the case may be relocated till survey specified under Sec.3. (1) has been completed and the certificate of vending is issued to all Street vendors”.

Hence, the Commissioner, GHMC is requested to issue similar instructions to all the concerned and take necessary action accordingly.

Encl:- As above.

Yours faithfully,

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MISSION DIRECTOR