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August 1, 2014


Dear Sir,

On behalf of the survivors of the December 1984 Union Carbide gas disaster in Bhopal we wish to draw your urgent attention to the hearing of the Curative Petition filed by the Government of India on December 3, 2010 that is scheduled to be heard on August 5, 2014.

For the last several years we have attempted to apprise the Prime Minister’s office that the figures of exposure related deaths and injuries in the Curative Petition filed by the Government of India are wrong and without any basis.

The government’s curative petition mentions a figure of 5,295 deaths caused by the disaster, which happens to be one fourth of the figures of death reported by Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) in its epidemiological report published in 2004. Likewise, the petition mentions that 93 % of the victims were only temporarily injured which is against the findings of the ICMR.

You can stop a great injustice being done to the Bhopal victims by issuing directions for filing an application before the Supreme Court on August 5, 2014 for amendment of the Curative Petition. Figures based on ICMR’s scientific research can then be incorporated in the amended Curative Petition.

We request you to issue directions to concerned officials in the Ministry of Chemical & Fertilizers for filing an application before the Supreme Court for amendment of the Curative Petition on August 5, 2014.

Yours sincerely,
September 12, 2014

Sub: Ensure justice in the 30th year for those affected by poisons of Union Carbide & Dow Chemical.

Dear Prime Minister,

We are writing to you on behalf of five organizations working for the welfare of the survivors of the December 1984 Union Carbide gas disaster in Bhopal.

Through this letter and in continuation of our correspondence with your office since June 2010 we reiterate our demand that the governments at the centre and state must:

1. Revise the figures of death and injury caused by the Bhopal disaster presented in the Curative Petition on the basis of scientific facts and seek urgent hearing on the petition.

2. Intervene in the US Federal Court in support of Bhopal victims of ground water contamination seeking clean up of the Union Carbide factory area and its surroundings.

We are writing to you to inform you that the victims of Union Carbide and Dow Chemical’s toxic gas and contaminated water and their supporters have decided to go on a fast without water to remind the governments at the centre and the state of their constitutional duty of protecting the legal rights to adequate compensation of the most vulnerable citizens.

In this 30th anniversary year we expect you to do your best to stop the injustices of the last three decades that the Bhopalis have endured.

Thanking you.

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बिषय : सभी पीड़ितों को सभी मुआवज़े की मांग पर भोपाल में यूहनियन काबाथइड गैस काण्ड के पीड़ितों द्वारा 11 नवम्बर 2014 से अनिश्चितकालीननिर्ज्ञान अनशन

महोदय,

दिसंबर 1984 में भोपाल में घटे यूहनियन काबाथइड गैस हादसे के पीड़ितों के पाँच संगठनों के तरफ से हम यह पत्र आपको लिख रहे हैं। जैसा की आपको विचित्र है, अमरीकी यूहनियन काबाथइड कम्पनी से सभी मुआवजा हासिल करना भोपाल गैस पीड़ितों का कानूनी अधिकार है और इस अधिकार की रक्षा करना केंद्र सरकार की संबंधित ज़िम्मेदारी है। यह बड़े खेद की बात है की केंद्र सरकार पिछले तीन दशक में इस संबंधित ज़िम्मेदारी को निभा नहीं पाई है।

केंद्र सरकार की मनमानी की वजह से 93 % गैस पीड़ितों को मात्र 25 हज़ार रुपए ही मुआवजे में मिले हैं और ऐसे गैस पीड़ितों को अतिरिक्त मुआवजे से बंधित रखा गया है। इसी तरह केंद्र सरकार द्वारा यूहनियन काबाथइड तथा उसके वर्तमान मालिक डाव केमिकल से अतिरिक्त मुआवजा हासिल करने के लिए दिसंबर 2010 में सर्वोच्च न्यायालय में बयान सुधार याचिका में गैस काण्ड के बजह से हुई मौतों के संख्या मात्र 5295 बताया गया है जबकि मौतों की वास्तविक संख्या 25 हज़ार से ऊपर है और मौत का सिलसिला अभी भी जारी है।

सुधार याचिका में दूसरी बड़ी गलती यह है की इसमें 93 % गैस पीड़ितों को मात्र अस्थाई रूप से क्षतिग्रस्त बताया गया है जबकि सत्याई यह है की 90 % से अधिक गैस पीड़ित आज भी अस्पतालों के सहारे जी रही है। सुधार याचिका के सम्बन्ध में केंद्र सरकार की लापरवाही इस तथ्य से स्पष्ट होती है की पिछले चार सालों में इस
याचिका पर एक भी सुनवाई नही हुई है और सरकार ने इस बारे में कोई कदम नही उठाया है।

इन हालातों में हम केंद्र सरकार से निर्देशित दो मांग कर रहे हैं:

1. केंद्र सरकार उन सभी गैस पीड़ितों को एक लाख रुपए अतिरिक्त मुआवज़े के तौर पर दे जिसमें पहले मात्र 25 हज़ार रुपए मुआवज़े में मिले हैं।

2. केंद्र सरकार भारतीय विज्ञान अनुसंधान परिषद के द्वारा किए गए शोध के आधार पर सुधार याचिका में गैस काण्ड के ज़रिए मौतों और शारीरिक क्षतियों के आंकों में सुधार करे और इस याचिका की ल्याए गैस काण्ड के लिए आवेदन पेश करे।

इन मांगों के समर्थन में और केंद्र सरकार को भोपाल गैस पीड़ितों के प्रति अपनी संबंधत जिम्मेदारियों को निम्नाने के लिए प्रेरित करने के उद्देश्य से हम पाँच संगठन नवम्बर 10, 2014 से नई दिल्ली में जंतर मंतर पर विरोध प्रदर्शन करेंगे जिसके तहत कम से कम पाँच पीड़ितों और उनके समर्थकों द्वारा अनिश्चितकालीन निर्जन अनुष्ठान किया जाएगा।

महोदय, आपको विदित होगा की आगामी दिसम्बर 3, 2014 को यूनियन कार्बाइड गैस काण्ड की 30वीं वर्षगांठ है। आशा है गैस पीड़ितों के साथ पिछले तीन दशकों में हुए अन्याय के प्रतिकार स्वरूप आप हम संगठनों के इन दो मांगों पर सकारात्मक फैसला लेंगे।

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December 2, 2014

Sub: 30th Anniversary Demands of the Victims of American Multinationals, Union Carbide and Dow Chemical, in Bhopal.

Sir,

On behalf of the survivors of the world’s worst industrial disaster, on the occasion of its 30th Anniversary, we urge you to consider the following demands of five survivors’ organizations to stop the ongoing disasters in Bhopal. In particular we wish to draw your attention to the 11 demands concerning effective action by the central government.

As you will please see, demands 2 to 7 from the Central Government are on the civil, criminal and environmental liabilities of the American Multinationals, Union Carbide Corporation and Dow Chemical that are the principal authors of the two ongoing disasters: the gas disaster and the disaster caused by environmental contamination due to reckless dumping of hazardous waste.

In the last 30 years, the Government of India has been dragging its feet over taking effective action against the two US corporations with the understanding that justice in Bhopal would jeopardize the investment climate. Union Carbide and now Dow Chemical have taken full advantage of this hesitation on the part of the Indian government and both continue to break Indian laws and dare Indian courts. As you must be aware, Union Carbide is absconding for last 22 years and Dow Chemical has refused to appear in the Bhopal district court disregarding the court’s summons to appear on November 12, 2014.

We write this letter with the hope that your government will make Union Carbide and Dow Chemical obey the directions of Indian courts. We hope that you and your government will be as enthusiastic in making US corporations obey Indian laws, as you are of welcoming them to invest in our country. We write with the hope that you and your government are aware that Bhopal was the original “make in India” in the profoundest sense of the phrase.
Demands 8 to 10 related to the medical care and economic and social rehabilitation of the survivors, deserve your special attention and consideration. In the last three decades, while provision of funds by successive governments at the centre has been adequate, in the absence of any monitoring, the expenditures have failed to produce any results as is evident in the reports of the Monitoring and Advisory Committees set up by the Supreme Court. In 2008 the central government agreed to set up an Empowered Commission on Bhopal for long term relief and rehabilitation of survivors but the decision could not be implemented due to the intransigence of the Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister who remains oblivious to the failure of his government in providing even a semblance of a life of dignity to the survivors.

Demands no. 1 and 11 are also deserving of your attention particularly since the former follows from recent agreement reached in New Delhi with Shri Ananth Kumar, the minister in charge of all matters concerning the Bhopal disaster.

We thank you for your time and await your response to the 30th Anniversary demands.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

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American Multinationals must:
1. Union Carbide Corporation must cease to abscond from justice and answer, through its designated official, charges of manslaughter and grievous assault in the criminal case pending before the Bhopal District Court.

2. Union Carbide and Dow Chemical must pay additional compensation as sought by the Government of India’s Curative Petition in the Supreme Court of India to pay for actual number of deaths and injuries caused by the gas disaster.

3. Union Carbide and Dow Chemical must clean up of contaminated soil and ground water in and around the abandoned Union Carbide factory and pay for health monitoring of the affected population.

4. Dow Chemical must respond to summons issued by the Bhopal District Court to appear before March 14, 2015 in the ongoing criminal case.

Government of USA must:
1. Acknowledge and express regret for financing, through its EXIM Bank, the construction of the hazardously designed plant that caused the world’s worst industrial disaster.

2. Acknowledge and express regret for rejecting requests by the Indian government for extradition of Warren Anderson, prime accused in the criminal case on the disaster.

3. Extradite John McDonald, Secretary to answer charges of manslaughter and grievous assault in the Bhopal District Court.

Government of India must:
1. In line with promises made by Mr. Ananth Kumar, Minister Chemicals & Fertilizers on November 14, 2014, pay additional compensation of Rs. One hundred thousand to those claimants who have been earlier paid only Rs. 25 thousand as compensation and were wrongfully denied additional compensation.

2. In line with promises made by Mr. Ananth Kumar, Minister Chemicals & Fertilizers on November 14, 2014, revise the figures of Bhopal disaster related death and injury as presented in the Curative Petition before the Supreme Court of India on the basis of scientific facts and seek urgent hearing on the petition.

3. Intervene in the US Federal Court in support of Bhopal victims of ground-water contamination seeking clean up of the Union Carbide factory area and its surroundings.

4. Not allow Dow Chemical to make any investments in this country, directly or indirectly, till it accepts Union Carbide’s liabilities in Bhopal.

5. Ensure that a comprehensive scientific assessment of the nature, depth and spread of contamination is carried out by a competent national or international agency for clean up and assessment of environmental damage caused by Union Carbide / Dow Chemical.
6. Ensure that the prosecution agency, Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), makes the authorized representative of Union Carbide Corporation, Secretary, John McDonald appear before the Bhopal District Court in the pending criminal case on the disaster.

7. Set up a special prosecution cell in the CBI and arrange for fast track courts for speedy prosecution of Keshub Mahindra and other Indian accused under enhanced criminal charges.

8. Ensure that the Bhopal Memorial Hospital has full facilities for treatment of all diseases known to be associated with exposure to Union Carbide’s poisons.

9. Ensure that the National Institute for Research in Environmental Health (NIREH) provides treatment protocols specific to exposure related health problems and carries out medical research that benefits the gas victims and those exposed to contaminated ground water.

10. Set up an Empowered Commission on Bhopal with adequate funds, authority and participation of survivors’ representatives for planning, implementation and monitoring medical, social, economic and environmental rehabilitation.

11. Declare December 3 as a Day of Industrial Safety and include Bhopal Gas disaster in school and college text-books.

**Government of Madhya Pradesh must:**

1. Intervene in the US Federal Court as the owner of the land of the Union Carbide factory site in support of Bhopal victims of ground water contamination seeking clean up of the factory area and its surrounding.

2. Ensure that all hospitals run by the Bhopal Gas Tragedy Relief and Rehabilitation Department are adequately staffed, stock quality medicines, use standardized treatment protocols and offer free treatment to people exposed to contaminated ground water.

3. Ensure that every person known to be disabled or turned destitute including widows as a result of the disaster receives a lifelong monthly pension of at least Rs. 1000/- as social support.

4. Start providing rehabilitation and medical care to all children of gas and contaminated water exposed parents with congenital disabilities.

5. Punish corrupt officials involved in misappropriation of Rs. 18 Crores in the work of economic rehabilitation.

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17 March 2015

Sub: Call for Action against American Dow Chemical Company for willful and repeated disregard of the directions of the Bhopal district Court in the criminal case on the worst industrial disaster in Bhopal.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the survivors of the 1984 Union Carbide disaster in Bhopal, we wish to convey our concerns regarding the repeated non-appearance of The Dow Chemical Company (TDCC), USA in the criminal case arising out of the disaster that is ongoing in the Bhopal District Court. We would like you to know that 16 March 2015 was the second time, after the first in November 12, 2014 when Dow Chemical Company current owner of Union Carbide Corporation, USA has chosen to ignore the directions of the Indian court.

Union Carbide, USA has been charged with grave criminal offences including culpable homicide and grievous assault for its role in the disaster and it is absconding from Indian courts for the last 23 years. In 2001, another US corporation, The Dow Chemical Company (TDCC) took over Union Carbide, USA. As the 100 % owner TDCC, USA, with substantial business in India through more than half a dozen subsidiaries, is harbouring an absconder from justice in the view of the Bhopal District Court.

TDCC, USA’s blatant disregard for the Indian justice system, twice in the last six months, makes us very apprehensive about your government’s red carpet policy towards US corporations. We fear that in the context of your weak kneeed response to Dow Chemical’s non appearance in the case on the Bhopal disaster, your invitation to “Make in India” could well be perceived as an invitation to “make more Bhopals in India”.

Through this letter we urge you and your government to be as enthusiastic in making US corporations, such as TDCC obey Indian laws, as you are of welcoming them to invest in our country.

We thank you for your time and await your positive action on the matter.

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