

On Sunday 02/10/16, West Bengal Sarki Development and Cultural Board held an important meeting along with the Chairman Mr. Kumar Mangrati and Vice Chairman Mr.Kundan Mangrati and the members of the board at the premises of Dr. Graham's Homes Sarki Committee Hall. Presence of all the board members resulted the meeting into a fruitful discussion of ideas and opinions.

Mr. Gobind Narayan Lamjel one of the members of Sarki Development and Cultural Board advised that Board has to give their first priority to Education, Cultural, Literature and as well as Arts. His assertive words also included the preservation of our Culture and Language for our upcoming generation.

The second member Mr. Pranay Roka from Kurseong said that we Sarkis were originated from Khas Jati (Tribe), he further said that we are Aryans and our main profession is to make Leather goods like-Madal, Shoes, Belts and many other garments, etc. He said that the main costumes of our Community are Fariya, Chaubandi choli, Daura Surawal and Dhaka Topi. According to him, Mizar was the name which was given by the King of ancient time to the leader of our caste, the king considered us as low caste and even they didn't drink the water which was touched by the low caste. He concluded his speech by saying that the generation has changed now, hence we should work accordingly hand to hand shoulder to shoulder to uphold the unity of our community and to introduce our identity and pride to the world.

3rd speaker Mr. Samir Sarki from Dooars shared his wise opinion saying that we have to help the poor and needy people to improve their financial condition along with educational and cultural field,etc. He also added that we should practice wearing our Nepali vesh bhusha(costume) and he placed a demand to build a new Samaj Bhawan. He said that we have to increase sub-committee and Board members. He also decided to publish a book on Sarki Community. According to him there are two districts in Dooars, therefore the Board has a possibility to increase the members in the respective areas.

Mrs. Swaraswati Sarki another member of Naxalbari stated her advice to search our Social and Cultural heritage,she also said that Board should work for the welfare of every poor and needy people of Sarki community.

Another 5th Member from Mirik Mr. Abhinash Sarki said, the Board should provide equal benefits to Mirik and also to the earthquake victims of our Sarki community . As per his knowledge, we can overview 120 houses who are victimized by the calamity.

6th speaker Mr. D.B Sarki from Gorubathan said,we should work on educational field as well as in the areas where people are suffering from economic condition. He also added that we should take inspirations from other Castes and follow them to sharpen our community as well. And he appealed everyone to concentrate on this topic and move forward accordingly. In spite of having a large number

of people in Dooars , we have certain limitation, so for that our contribution plays an important role to work unitedly.

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Another member Mr. Subash Sarki from Dooars said that, its mandatory to follow the rules and regulation to maintain the discipline in every meeting, Board should work positively for the development of Sarki community and the corruption should not hinder the board. He also mentioned that there are seven blocks in Jalpaiguri ,however due to the shortage of members, every board member should take care of the block properly and there should be equality in each and every member of the community.

8TH member Mr. Kamal Basnet also placed his opinion .He explained his concern about the disappearance of old nominating members from Board as the new unknown faces are getting nominated. He is bit worried and anxious about it and he feels that the new nominated members regulate the Board properly or not?

9th Member Kishan lamjel also mentioned about the names of the Board members and recommended further 10 members more in addition to the present 21 members..He further said that we have to work properly for the benefit of our caste and community.

Mr. Suman Mangrati another 10th member mentioned that other communities have already registered their respective boards.He said that we have to give our full contribution for the development of our community. Meanwhile Mr. Suman Mangrati expressed his gratitude and respect with Khada to Mr.Nirmal Rumlal for his contribution to Society as well as Board. Mr. Suman Mangrati said that they have submitted a group of 31 members but later it didn't get the approval from the higher authority.He said that they couldn't change the names as they were the selected names given by the West Bengal Government and lastly he uttered that we should form Joint Action Committee of at least 10 members.

11th member Mr. Lalit Roka said the work should be done under Government's rules and regulation. We should provide the houses for the very needy person however it is mandatory to have their own land in order to have their houses constructed under the Aashiyana House Scheme.

12th Mr. Kundan Mangrati vice chairman asserted that we should do good and progressive work for the development of our caste and community. He acclaimed that out of the fund of Rs. 5 crore which was given by the government ,at least 2 lakhs should invested in each house within three months, moreover we should move forward to build Libraries, Museums, Committee halls, Night Schools etc.

Lastly, The Chairman Mr.Kumar Mangrati West Bengal Sarki Development & cultural Board made the announcement of West Bengal Sarki Development and Cultural Board on 13th July 2016. He also

acclaimed that all the members of the community should welcome the auspicious day with immense happiness. He said that once the budget is sanctioned we should work for the progress and benefit of the helpless people and mostly physically and mentally challenged people should be given the priority so that they could be benefited to a great extent. He also acclaimed that we have to construct the Board office and committee hall which fall under non- planning programs. He said that our main motives should be to uplift the poor people so that we can raise our work to the excellence with dignity and unity.

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And before he adjourned the meeting he appealed all the members to consult with rest of the members prior taking any action related to our program and work and to get the collective idea and decision., He said that the Board will inform the upcoming programs through SMS, Mails and newspapers to one and all. And he made an announcement to add 10 members too. And he asked the beneficiaries to submit their genuine documents to their respective block members. Eventually, the meeting ended with inspirational and good thoughts till the next meeting.

Today on 04/12/16 West Bengal Sarki Development & Cultural Board held an important Executive meeting along with Board members . The Chairman West Bengal Sarki Development & Cultural Board Mr. Kumar Mangrati was a chairperson for the day of meeting.

Agendas of the meeting were:-

1. List out of the names of Beneficiaries (Houses need for poor Brothers and Sisters)
2. To pass the name of supplier
3. To do different activities apart from household activities, etc

The above mentioned agendas were passed with the consent of all Executive bodies.

On 06/12/16 West Bengal Sarki Development & Cultural Board called a Board meeting at Dr. Graham's Homes Kalimpong in the presence of Mr. Kumar mangrati Chairman WBSCDB and Vice chairman Mr. Kundan Mangrati and all the Executives and Board members . The main topic of the meeting was about the cheque of fund which was signed by CM Miss Mamata Banarjee. As the outcome of the meeting Sarki Board has decided to invest the amount to build the houses for needy and the poor people of sarki community.

On 04/12/16 after deciding the selection of quotation, the quotation was submitted by three companies,

1. Narayan thapa
2. S.A.S Enterprise
3. Bhim Prasad and Co.

The chairman and the vice chairman along with the executive members of WBSDCB found that the quotation of S.A.S Enterprise was correct and strong ,so the Board decided to select the S.A.S Enterprise as the supplier of West Bengal Sarki Development & Cultural Board.

Lastly, with the permission of WBSDCB Chairman Mr. Kumar Mangrati ,the vice chairman Mr. Kundan Mangrati adjourned the meeting.

Today on 12/01/17 West Bengal Sarki Development & Cultural Board called a meeting at Head office Dr. Graham's Homes Kalimpong. Main topic of the meeting was to discuss about the complaint lodged by Mr. Sadip Sarki resident of Garidhura Kurseong to the District Magistrate. The complaint beard that West Bengal Sarki Development & Cultural Board has not intimated regarding the Board meeting.

As a result, Vice chairman Mr. Kundan Mangrati WBSDCB has given his suitable and transparent explanation about the matter to District Magistrate West Bengal through a letter.

Chairman Mr. Kumar Mangrati said that there was no name as such Sadip Sarki in govt. notification, .And there was a little confusion arose between the names Sadip Sarki and Sandip Sarki.

Likewise, another member from Dooars Mr. Samir Sarki mentioned in regards to the matter of Sadip Sarki that he has recently nominated in the names of Board members. The Government has registered the Board of Sarki according to the names which was mentioned for the nomination of Board membes, but after the registration of Board, surprisingly new members are introducing themselves as a Board members of Sarki Board. He was immensely anxious about this matter and wanted to make sure that such flaws and blunders should not arise in the future and asked the board to take the necessary action to prevent such circumstances.

Regarding the matter of Mr. Sadip sarki, Mr Sandip Sarki from Dooars said if Sadip Sarki was a member then where was he till date. He said, "Today if I get away from the Board's membership then I don't have any objection whoever comes in place of me he would give his well contribution for the welfare of the community."

Mr. Pranay Roka from Kurseong said that, inspite of being from the same place he wasn't introduced with Mr. Sadip Sarki yet. He exclaimed that each and every person should be introduced through their respective Society.

Meanwhile, Board got a letter of allegation from Mr. Pritam Sarki saying that Board doesn't give the importance to the place where he belongs.

In this matter, Chairman Mr. Kumar Mangrati said that if we have such well educated people in our community then why do they hesitate to come forward with good and presentable manner and express their ideas and queries. He exclaimed, "Why do they interrupt on the way of our development? He further said that If anyone has any query related to the development of our community then they can contact us anytime.

Mr. D.B Sarki said person should be positive and social to serve for the welfare of society and community. If we work properly or give our full contribution to the society then we don't need any post or honour.

At last, Mr. Kumar Mangrati granted both Mr.Sadip Sarki and Sandip Sarki the membership of the board and adjourned the meeting.