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GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

Excise

NOTIFICATION

Dacca, the 17th February 1976.

No. S.R.O. 71-L/76/8-Excise.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 12A of the Excise and Salt Act, 1944 (I of 1944), and in supersession of this Ministry's notification S.R.O. No. 17(D)/Exc/73, dated the 8th August, 1973, the Government is pleased to direct that the following further amendment shall be made in this Ministry's notification No. S.R.O. 7(D)/Exc/72, dated the 30th June, 1972, namely:—

In the aforesaid notification, in the table, in Serial No. 33 in the first column, *after* entry (d) in the second column, the following new entry (e) and the entries relating thereto in the third and fourth columns shall be added, namely:—

(e) Man-made yarn made out of raw cotton and 41
viscose or acetate or man made fibre of any
sort—

if weight and retail price are legibly, promi-
nently, and indelibly printed on every package,
cover, wrapper or label—

(i) Yarn of counts less than 16

Nil.

(ii) Yarn of counts 16 or more but less than 21

Twenty-five poisha per
pound.

- (iii) Yarn of counts 21 or more but less than 35 Fifty poisha per pound.
(iv) Yarn of counts 35 or more but less than 48 Taka one per pound.
(v) Yarn of counts 48 or more — Taka one and fifty poisha per pound.”

By order of the President

A. K. M. WALIUL ISLAM

Joint Secretary.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONTROLLER OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

(Import Trade Control)

PUBLIC NOTICE No. 5(76)/IMPORT

Dacca, the 9th February 1976.

The following amendment in the Import Policy (January-June, 1976) Order is notified for the information of all concerned.

In List III (items to be imported by Bangladesh Nationals from their earnings abroad), the present description of the item against Sl. No. 32 shall be *substituted* to read as follows:

32. New and Secondhand Motor Car up to 1300 C. C. but within C&F value of Tk. 46,000 (Taka Forty-six thousand).

D. M. CHOWDHURY

Director.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH, POPULATION CONTROL AND LABOUR

(Labour and Social Welfare Division)

Section IV

RESOLUTION

Dacca, the 17th February, 1976.

No. S-IV/M-2/76/77.—Whereas it is expedient to establish a National Organisation for the purpose of social, economic, educational and cultural welfare of Women of Bangladesh;

It is hereby resolved that a women's organisation be established with the objects and functions as hereinafter appearing:—

1. The name of the Organisation is “Bangladesh Jatiyo Mahila Sangstha” hereinafter referred to as the Sangstha.
2. The registered office of the Sangstha will be situated in Dacca.

3. The objects and functions of the Sangstha are the following, namely:—

- (i) To affiliate and admit as the units of the Sangstha women's associations having similar objects as hereinafter provided which may ask for affiliation by the Sangstha.
- (ii) To co-ordinate, support and supervise the activities of the federating units.
- (iii) To co-operate with other voluntary welfare associations and the Government for the welfare of women and to act as spokesman of Bangladesh women in national and international forums.
- (iv) To apprise women of their personal and socio-economic rights and privileges with a view to motivating them to carry out their responsibilities towards themselves, their families and the society at large.
- (v) To formulate policies on behalf of the federating units for female education having religious and moral bias and special stress on primary and adult education.
- (vi) To foster technical and vocational training for women and find out job facilities for them so that they may make their contributions to the economic life of the nation.
- (vii) To find employment opportunities for women both in rural and urban areas.
- (viii) To formulate policies on women and children's affairs and adopt measures for safeguarding women's rights against discrimination, social and otherwise.
- (ix) To initiate women to public relations and facilitate publicity and publication of materials relating to women and children.
- (x) To encourage participation of women in cottage industry, co-operatives and marketing and sports and cultural affairs.
- (xi) To safeguard women's rights as guaranteed by the Constitution and law.
- (xii) To popularise family planning and take steps to uplift the standard of health, nutrition and child welfare.
- (xiii) To establish foundations and welfare trusts to ensure all-round progress and prosperity of women.
- (xiv) To foster growth of international outlook and understanding of women and to work in co-operation with similar organisations of other countries having same or similar objects.
- (xv) To organise national conferences and seminars and training programmes for the welfare of women.
- (xvi) To make concerted efforts with the federating units for the welfare of women at district, subdivision and thana levels.
- (xvii) To approve and co-ordinate plans and programmes of the federating units to ensure best utilisation of resources and distribute among the federating units the aid received from the Government for approved plans and programmes.
- (xviii) To raise funds for the Sangstha and the federating units depending on public subscriptions, donations and Government aid.
- (xix) To assist and supervise the implementation of plans and programmes of the federating units.

4. (1) The Sangstha shall have a national committee, consisting of the following:—

- (a) one representative from each of the women's organisations set out in schedule to be nominated by that Organisation;
- (b) such number of representatives shown against each from the following cities to be selected in such manner as may be prescribed by rules:—
 - (i) Dacca 2
 - (ii) Chittagong 2
 - (iii) Khulna 2
 - (iv) Rajshahi 2
- (c) one representative from each of the District Committees of the Sangstha after such Committees have been set up to be selected in such manner as may be prescribed by rules;
- (d) twenty members to be nominated by Government from amongst distinguished lady social workers, writers and women engaged in various professions.

(2) The members under clauses (b), (c) and (d) of sub-paragraph (1) in first National Committee shall be nominated by the Government.

(3) The term of the first National Committee shall be two-years and of successive National Committees shall be such as may be prescribed by rules.

5. The National Committee shall organise in each district, subdivision and thana, District Committees, Subdivisional Committees and Thana Committees as set out below:—

(a) **District Committee :**

- (i) One each from such women's district level organisations not exceeding eight, as may be prescribed by rules and until the rules are made, as may be fixed by the Government;
- (ii) Such number, not exceeding eight, of women social workers, writers and other women engaged in various professions as the Government may nominate;
- (iii) One representative from each of the Subdivisional Committees as may be nominated by that Committee.

(b) **Subdivisional Committee :**

- (i) One each from such Subdivision level women's organisations not exceeding five, as may be prescribed by rules, and until rules are made, as may be fixed by Government;
- (ii) Such number, not exceeding five, of women social workers, writers and other women engaged in various professions, as may be nominated by National Committee;
- (iii) One representative from each of the Thana Committees to be nominated by the District Committee.

(c) **Thana Committee :**

- (i) One representative from each of the Unions to be nominated by the Subdivisional Committee;
- (ii) Such number, not exceeding three, of women social workers nominated by Government;
- (iii) One each from such Thana level women's organisations, not exceeding three, as may be fixed by the Subdivisional Committee.

6. (1) The Sangstha shall have the following office bearers, namely:—

- (a) a Chairman,
- (b) a Vice-Chairman,
- (c) a Secretary,
- (d) a Joint Secretary, and
- (e) a Treasurer.

(2) The Sangstha shall have an Executive Committee consisting of all the office bearers and 10 other members to be nominated by the Government.

(3) The Executive Committee shall perform such functions as the National Committee may assign to it or as the Government may direct.

7. (1) The Sangstha shall have its own funds which shall consist of:—

- (a) Grants received from Government;
- (b) Subscriptions received from various organisations;
- (c) Donation from public and philanthropic organisation, national and international.

(2) The fund of the Sangstha shall be kept in any Bank approved by the Government and the accounts shall be jointly operated by such two of the following office bearers as the Government or the National Committee may specify :

- (a) Chairman, (b) Secretary, (c) Treasurer.

(3) The accounts of the Sangstha shall be audited every year by a Government approved chartered Accountant and the audit report shall be submitted by the Organisation with comments to the Government within one month of its receipt.

8. (1) The Sangstha shall furnish such returns, reports and statement to the Government as the Government, may, from time to time, require.

(2) The Sangstha shall as soon as possible after the end of every financial year, submit to the Government an Annual report on the workings of the Sangstha during that year.

9. The National Committee may, with the approval of the Government make rules for carrying out the purposes of the Sangstha.

10. The Government may review the activities of the Sangstha every three months or at such intervals as it may deem fit.

Schedule

[See para 4(1)(a)]

1. The Bangladesh Mahila Samity.
2. The Bangladesh Girl Guides Association.
3. The Bangladesh Mahila Sangha.

Ordered that the Resolution be published in the Official Gazette.

By order of the President

A. M. MESBAHUDDIN

Secretary.