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*Respected Sri Trivedy ji,*

I am writing this in connection with allocation of reasonable share of the budgetary allocations in the ensuing Railway Budget in respect of Scheduled Areas.

2. The Scheduled Areas, in general, suffer from inadequate infrastructural facilities, including Railway network. As Scheduled Areas are generally remotely located, it is necessary that the programmes/schemes covering creation of infrastructure facilities have a clear focus on Scheduled Areas as a TSP component for their accelerated development plans. The TSP component should not be per population share but according to "problem-share"; and "need-based" taking into account the extent of deprivation, or even more than that to make up the backwardness/ negligence experienced over the years. Railways expansion plan should ensure passage or extension of railway lines through Scheduled/ Tribal areas with provision for opening Railway stations on those Routes. All trains may not stop on those stations but passenger, link and service trains and goods trains may cater to those areas. Goods train service will provide boost to marketing of the produce from those Scheduled/ Tribal areas.

3. I would, therefore, request you kindly to ensure adequate budgetary allocation in the ensuing Railway Budget for overall development of Scheduled Areas and apprise the Commission at the earliest, about the action taken in the matter, so that same may be incorporated in the ensuing Annual Report of the Commission under preparation for submission to the President of India.

4. Furthermore, Gumla of Jharkhand is a tribal dominated district, so is Lohardaga. Tribal people's demand has been that Gumla be linked with Lohardaga which is already on railways. This demand had the support of UPA Chairperson, Madam Sonia Gandhi. To fulfil this, the then RM Mamta jee had announced survey of Lohardaga-Gumla rail line in the Budget speech of 2010-11. But, the progress thereof is not known to the people. The Commission will be obliged if the progress in the survey or thereafter, is made known to the Commission and to the people of the area.

*With regards,*

Yours sincerely,

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