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Govt sitting idle on Jadhav panel report

Staff Report

LAUNCHING a comprehensive report on the State Government's handling of reports submitted under the Nandri Commission, Dr. Jadhav's committee has today submitted its report to the Government. The report, which was submitted to the Government on August 6, 2008, contains 10 recommendations and has demanded immediate implementation of various measures made by the committee.

The one-man committee headed by Dr. Jadhav had stated that 10 per cent of the benefits of western Maharashtra region and north Maharashtra region are being enjoyed by the Vidarbha region of the State that has benefited most from Government loan waivers. Farmers in western Maharashtra got 33.8 per cent of the loan waiver, those in Vidarbha got 20.01 per cent, and those in Maharashtra got 24.19 per cent. The report also outlined the various measures to be implemented for the betterment of the farming community in Vidarbha.

Even after a period of over 18 months of the committee submitting its report, the State Government has not made any move in the direction of its implementation. This has spread a wide-spread discontent amongst the farmers of Vidarbha. It also reveals the carelessness of Government towards upliftment of farmers in Vidarbha, stated V.S. Sampath Nairani.

Nairani has also denounced Government's decision to appoint Dr. Jadhav as Member of Planning Commission of India. It is an effort on the part of Government to relocate him. Government should have shown more eagerness to implement his report in Vidarbha, Nairani said.

To press for demand, the organisation has also sent a

FARMERS' PLIGHTS

Dr. Jadhav Committee report findings

DR. NARENDRA JADHAV Committee was set up to examine the implementation of relief packages to distressed farmers and report on the overall agricultural scenario in the State. It submitted its report in August 2008, stating that it was relatively better off western Maharashtra region and not the crisis-plagued Vidarbha region of the State that has benefited most from government loan waivers. Committee has also been critical on the manner in which loan waivers have been disbursed and quality of government aid packages.

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