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To,
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The Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai performs multifarious duties in the field of education, public health, creation of urban amenities etc. under the M.M.C. Act. For providing better civic amenities, the involvement of Non-governmental Organizations (N.G.O.) and Civil Society Organizations (C.S.Os.) in the functioning of the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai is required.

In the various meetings held by the then Addl. Municipal Commissioner (City) and various N.G.Os. it was felt that it was necessary to co-ordinate the activities of the number of N.G.Os. who were interested in donating materials, providing services or directly assisting the persons in need. It was, therefore, necessary to institutionalize the partnership between Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai and the N.G.Os/C.S.Os. In the meeting, you had represented that KARMAYOG is a website set up and organized by a trust named R.O. Somani Charitable Trust. The objectives and functions of KARMAYOG are to disseminate information relating to civic matters and policies and procedures and to function as networking platform and to co-ordinate the efforts and works of various citizens' groups and civil society organizations. You had, further represented that the NGO council has been formed at your instance acting as a convenor to ensure co-ordination between numerous NGOs, Civil Society Organizations, Associations not-for-profit-organizations and Trusts which are concerned with better civic services and the NGO Council will function as representative body of the various organizations.

In view of your representation, a Memorandum of Understanding was entered into on 12th December 2005 between Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, KARMAYOG and NGO Council (Annexure 2 thereto is the list of the members of the Council.). The same has been signed by the

then Addl. Municipal Commissioner (City) on behalf of Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai and you as authorized representative of KARMAYOG and NGO Council.

After the signing of aforesaid Memorandum of Understanding, the Municipal Commissioner has received representations from various NGOs, like AGNI, V-Care Foundation, Citespace, Dignity Foundation, PRAJA etc. questioning the methodology employed in constituting the council, appointment of its convenor and formation of the committee etc. They have further represented that M.O.U. is misconceived, as it marginalizes NGOs doing good work for years and is void, ab-initio and cannot be implemented.

From the above facts, it appears that you have misrepresented and misled the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai into signing the M.O.U. with you as the authorized representative for NGO Council. You are called upon to show cause within seven days of the receipt of this notice as to why the said M.O.U. dated 12th December, 2005 should not be terminated. If no sufficient cause is shown, then the said M.O.U. dated 12th December, 2005 shall stand terminated for the cost and consequences of which you shall be solely liable, which please note.



(R.A. Rajeev)

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