

**LEGAL\_AWARENESS FROM 2020 12 EMAIL DATED 04 03 2021 TO DG UTKAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AND GS ODISHA BYABASAYEE SANGHA FAOTA REGARDING IRREGULARITIES EXISTING IN SALE AND PUCHASE BY THE TRADERS IN CUTTACK MALGODOWN**

**To**

**DG Utkal Chamber of Commerce and Industry**

**Copy to**

**GS Odisha Byabasayee Sangha (FAOTA)**

**Principal Secretary Commerce and Transport Odisha**

**Commissioner of Police**

**DCP Cuttack**

**Collector Cuttack**

**CMC Commissioner Cuttack**

**Sir**

**SUBJECT- IRREGULARITIES EXISTING IN SALE AND PUCHASE BY THE TRADERS**

**AND NON-AVAILABILITY OF CONTACT NUMBER OF HIGHER AUTHORITIES OF ODISHA BYABASAYEE SANGHA IN CUTTACK MALGODOWN**

**I want to bring to your notice certain irregularities regarding the buying and selling of products in Cuttack Malgodown which needs immediate action and correction by the accountable authorities in the interest of the consumers depending on Cuttack Malgodown.**

**Already the name and fame of Cuttack Malgodown is at stake for intrusion of duplicate products in the guise of original product and it has opened the floodgate for the criminals to operate in Cuttack Malgodown at the cost of money and life of public.**

**It is only possible because of negligence, carelessness, no official documents, evasion of GST (only you call for Bharat bandh shouting slogans against GST), no surveillance on the traders and transport entering into Cuttack Malgodown and on official complaint regarding selling of duplicate product in Cuttack Malgodown to the IIC Malgodown is of no use because of willful allowing of the crime for quid pro quo and no proper investigation by the said PS till date which has resulted in boosting the morale of criminals to venture out for duplicate products.**

**It is necessary to say that crime does not take place without the involvement of the black sheep of the departments who always go for quid pro quo at the cost of public interest.**

It is seen that most of the traders who operate in the jurisdiction of Cuttack Malgodown do not have TRADE LICENCE, MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION UNDER CUTTACK MALGODOWN ASSOCIATION and on asking to show these two documents they REACT LIKE ANTI SOCIALS and they are overconfident on the INACTION OF LOCAL PS to get away with anything and the customer is left at the mercy of God because for a loss of Rs 200/- he cannot go to local PS or go to consumer court as the advocate fee is definitely more than Rs 200/-.

It is win-win case for dishonest small time players in Cuttack Malgodown to cheat anybody they like as there is no relief for the consumer.

Under the circumstances as such type of dishonest traders have already entered into Cuttack malgodown time has come for Odisha Byabasayee Sangha to make it mandatory for all traders starting from small to big to display TRADE LICENCE, GST REGISTRATION NUMBER, MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION NUMBER OF CUTTACK MALDOW, TOLL FREE NUMBER FOR ANY COMPLAINT REGARDING THE TRADING, CONTACT NUMBER AND EMAIL ID OF SECRETARY AND PRESIDENT OF CUTTACK MALGODOWN ASSOCIATION, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF REFUND/EXCHANGE OF DEFECTIVE PRODUCT, MENTION IN WRITING THAT IF IT CANNOT BE EXCHANGED (ONCE SOLD NO REFUND OF CASH).

Odisha Byabasayee Sangha is suggested to start its own website related to Cuttack Malgodown specifically displaying the list of its members along with contact number and registration number and all the shops opened in Cuttack Malgodown should have their shop number and name of the shop along with the name and address of the proprietor and it should be mandatory to provide bills and it is seen that it is not done in Cuttack Malgodown to evade GST and inspection by GST officials.

Cuttack Malgodown has become the breeding ground of corruption, evasion of tax and selling of duplicate products in the name of original brand only because of lack of accountability and surveillance from the authorities both the law enforcement agency and the officials of Odisha Byabasayee Sangha.

Most of the shops are open on the footpath with display of products and there is no guarantee that tomorrow they will be open and they are operational like day to day vegetable and fruit vendors on the road in Cantonment Road area and obviously these traders are in knowledge of the Odisha Byabasayee Sangha or some antisocials who allow such unnamed shops to operate and must be collecting fees as nothing is free.

No person can do business in Cuttack Malgodown without the support of Odisha Byabasayee Sangha and it can be assumed that everything whether legal or illegal is in the knowledge of authorities.

Now time has come to do realignment of your present existing system of allowing the traders do business in Cuttack Malgodown. You are suggested to take immediate step in the above mentioned matter as your are the immediate competent authority to act and if no action is taken in these matters as it is related to the life and money of the public I may seek judicial intervention in the above matter to regularize the irregularities.

**This may be treated as a compliance to PIL guidelines and I have done my duty as a citizen in the interest of public by bringing the facts to your notice.**

**I suggest you to forward this complaint to GS Odisha Byabasayee Sangha (FAOTA) because the email ID and contact number could not be accessed from the net.**

**Thanking you**

**Yours faithfully**

**Jayanti Das**