Dear

You might be aware that the infrastructure projects taken up under the restructured Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP) are for the benefits of the minority communities notified under Section 2 (c) of the National Commission for Minorities Act, 1992. I invite your attention to the notification S.O.No. 267 (E) dated 27th January 2014 of this Ministry (copy enclosed), where Jain Community has also been notified as Minority Community at National Level.

2. In a bid to encompass all Minority Concentration Areas (MCA) under the MsDP, the Ministry has already requested the State Government to identify the cluster of villages for implementation of MsDP. Since, Jain Community is now a notified minority community, I request you to kindly identify the cluster of villages predominantly populated by Jain Community also, if any, in your State alongwith other minority communities for selection as ‘Cluster of Villages’, to be covered under the scheme.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(D. Singh Bist)

To as per list attached:-
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 27th January, 2014

S.O. 267(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (c) of Section 2 of the National Commission for Minorities Act, 1992 (19 of 1992), the Central Government hereby notifies the Jain Community as a minority community in addition to the five communities already notified as minority communities viz. Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists and Zoroastrians ( Parsis) vide Ministry of Welfare Notification No. S.O. 816(E), dated 23.10.1993 for the purposes of the said Act.

LALIT K. PANWAR, Secy.