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To
Shri Ajay Bhalla,
Home Secretary,
Government of India,
North Block,
New Delhi.

Sir,

Kindly refer to No. VI-23014/74/C1/2002-VS dated 11th December, 2020, of MHA, GOI whereby the Chief Secretary and the Director General of Police, Government of West Bengal have been requested to attend a meeting on 14th December, 2020 at 12.15 PM in your chamber to discuss the law and order situation in the State of West Bengal including the incidents regarding certain Z-category protectees.

I am to inform you that, as requested by you vide your No. VI-23014/394/2015-VS dated 10th December, 2020, the incidents regarding certain Z-category protectees are already being examined at our end.

I am to further inform you that, as requested by you vide your No. VI-23014/394/2015-VS dated 10th December, 2020, we had indeed made elaborate arrangements for security coverage of the protectees yesterday. The West Bengal Police had provided a bullet proof car and a pilot to Shri J.P. Nadda, which was in addition to the escort (vehicle by State, personnel by CRPF) and PSOs (CRPF) he is entitled as a Z-category protectee. The DIG (Police) of the range was stationed in the area to personally supervise the police arrangements, while 4 Additional SPs, 8 DySPs, 14 Inspectors, 70 SIs/ASIs, 40 RAF personnel, 259 constables and 350 members of auxillary forces were deployed on the route and at the venue at Diamond Harbour. While the Central protectees had their own Central protection arrangements, these arrangements were made over and above the same from the end of the State. The tagging of many vehicles to the protectee

convoys however made the situation unwieldy, because typically, security authorities are to handle a protectee convoy of a few vehicles only, and not with/in the presence of so many other vehicles which got tagged to the convoy travelling together.

Further, 3 cases have already been registered in this connection, while 2 of them are specifically for vandalism, one each at Usthi PS and Falta PS, both under the Diamond Harbour Police District. 7 persons have been arrested in these 2 cases.

While further reports are being obtained and compiled, in the circumstances, I am directed to request you to kindly dispense with the presence of the State officials in the meeting, considering that the State Government is already addressing this issue with utmost seriousness.

Yours faithfully,



(Alapan Bandyopadhyay)