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**OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF WAKFS, WEST BENGAL**  
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From :

**ABDUL MATIN, WBCS(Exe.),**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
BOARD OF WAKFS, WEST BENGAL

To :

- (i) The District Magistrate Hooghly,
- (ii) The Supdt. Of Police, Hooghly.

Sub: Protection and preservation of the  
Hooghly Imambara Wakf Estate,  
E.C.No.4649.

Sir,

Late Haji Md. Mohsin, a pious and religious minded man dedicated his valuable properties for religious and charitable purposes as well as for the benefit of the poor and meritorious muslim students. All these properties were enrolled in this office as "Hooghly Imambara Wakf Estate" being E.C.No.4649 comprising of several properties at Hooghly and Kolkata. Hooghly Imambara is one of the Wakf properties. It was built by late Haji Md. Mohsin and has got historical importance. For the last several years this Imambara is being treated as heritage building and almost throughout the year tourists from all over the country visit the place. After the death of the Wakif i.e. Haji Md. Mohsin there was a dispute between the relatives of Wakif and a group of devotees from Shia community for taking the management of the Imambara as well as for other properties in Hooghly and Kolkata. The claimants fought each other in court and the Hon'ble Court pending this dispute appointed one Mr. Sardar Amjad Ali, Advocate, Calcutta High Court as the Receiver of the said "Wakf Estate". Sardar Amjad Ali acted as a Receiver since and during these period he never submitted any account of the estate nor he deposited any Wakf Contribution. He also did not take any care for the maintenance of the Imambara and as a result the entire building is in a very dilapidated condition. For negligence its prime properties have gone under the illegal encroachers. The tenants in Hooghly & Kolkata are not paying any rent. Seeing this deplorable condition one Sayed Jamrud Huvan being a well wisher moved the matter before the Hon'ble High Court and the Hon'ble Court passed an order dated 08-03-2002 directing the Board of Wakfs, West Bengal to constitute a committee of management consisting of 5 (five) persons from and amongst the Shia community to manage the Wakf Estate. In pursuance of this order the Board of Wakfs, West Bengal in its meeting held on 19-08-2002 constituted a committee of management after observing all formalities. The names are given below :-

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
BOARD OF WAKFS, WEST BENGAL

To :

- (i) Jb. Syed Wiranah Hussain Rizvi,
- (ii) Jb. Ali Abbas Shiraji,
- (iii) Jb. Hasan Imam (Hona),
- (iv) Jb. Mirza Sajid Ali and
- (v) Jb. Mirza Mohd. Ali.

The above said committee has taken over the management of the Imambara as well as of other properties. But inspite of repeated requests the erstwhile Receiver did not hand over the charges nor any document of the Wakf Estate. Taking the advantage of this situation the tenants are not paying any heed to the committee. No income is derived from the properties due to these reluctant tenants and illegal encroachers. The said Imambara requires immediate repair. Many valuable articles lying inside the Imambara are going to be ruined. All the properties under Hooghly Imambara are under Touzi No.92 and the properties in Kolkata are in Kidderpore area (list is enclosed).

In view of the facts and circumstances above I am directed by the Hon'ble Chairman of the Board to request you to kindly look into the matter and extend your kind co-operation and administrative help so that this committee of management can function properly. It is needless to mention that without these help the committee cannot proceed further in the matter. It is our utmost duty to take proper care of this Wakf Estate and to maintain and protect this historical place.

An early action in the matter is solicited.

Yours faithfully,  
*sd/-*  
Chief Executive Officer,  
Board of Wakfs, West Bengal.

Dated: 18-6-03

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Copy forwarded for information and with the request to take necessary action from their end.

- (1) The District Magistrate, South 24-Parganas.
- (2) The Superintendent of Police, South 24-Parganas.
- (3) The Secretary, Land & Land Reform Department, Writers' Buildings, Calcutta.
- (4) The D.L. & L.R.O. Hooghly.
- (5) The DLRS Survey Building, Alipore, Kolkata.
- (6) The D.L. & L.R.O. South 24-Parganas.
- (7) The D.C. Port, Kolkata.

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