The amended clause should be read as follows:

"Whoever commits mischief by fire or any explosive substance he will, thereby, cause destruction of any building which is ordinarily used as ____"

Amend sub Section (2) of Section 3 to include

" Any form or disrespect or disfigure or defilement or damage to the Statues of Babasaheb Dr. B.R.Ambedkar as insulting the SC community as well as an insult to the Nation and be punishable with rigorous imprisonment for a term of 3 years. "

5. AMENDMENT TO SCs & STs (POA) RULES, 1995

5.1 LEVEL OF INVESTIGATING OFFICERS

Some States viz, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh have raised an issue to amend Rule 7(1) of the SCs & STs (POA) Rules, 1995 so as to provide for to appoint an Inspector of Police instead of Dy. Superintendent of Police as Investigating Officer in the cases of atrocities against SCs/STs. Such a view has been largely held on account of non-availability of as much number of Dy. Superintendents of Police, as required to investigate such cases. This issue was earlier considered and the Ministry of Home Affairs which was consulted, opined in August, 1998 that framers of law have provided for investigating officer of higher rank in the case of atrocities against SCs/STs and this might have been done, keeping in view the sensitivity of cases to be investigated by an officer, who has higher sense of responsibility, objectivity, more responsiveness, sense of ability and justice to perceive the implication of the case. The Ministry of Home Affairs accordingly opposed the proposal to provide for investigation by an officer of the rank of Inspector of Police.

5.2 MODE OF PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO VICTIMS OF ATROCITIES

The Government of Karnataka has requested that the rate and mode of payment of compensation differs from case to case. For instance, in case of death, only 75% of the compensation is paid after post-mortem and the remaining 25% is paid after conviction by the lower court. In some other cases, the ratio of compensation paid