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Press Statement

Today's order of the Union Home Ministry cancelling the FCRA registration of Sabrang Trust brings no surprise to its Trustees.

In their earlier communications with the Home Ministry, the Trustees had responded to the alleged FCRA violations point-by-point, para-by-para, pointing out how the allegations showed a complete non-application of mind.

That the cancellation order was imminent was apparent from the mere show of a personal hearing granted to Sabrang Trust on April 11, 2016. The hearing was over in less than 10 minutes.

The Trustees regret to note that today's order of the Home Ministry is simply a mechanical reiteration of the very same allegations made earlier, in total disregard to the detailed and reasoned explanations and arguments put forward by the Trust.

Sabrang Trust will actively explore all legal options to challenge the Home Ministry's order cancelling its FCRA registration.

> Javed Anand Secretary/Chief Functionary