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The NCST has asked the Chief Secretary and the DGP to submit a response within 15 days time. They have been asked to inform the commission about the action taken by the State government in connection with the alleged case.

The commission has also categorically stated that the two officers will appear before it in person if they fail to submit the wanted response. The commission has issued the notice in response to a petition.

The petition alleged that the district administration has not provided any help to Angad even as more than a year has passed since his two hands were chopped by miscreants in Mumbai railway station.

Notably, a volunteer organization rescued Angad and rushed him to the hospital. The matter came to the knowledge of his family members after he was rescued and hospitalized.

Earlier, two such heinous crimes had occurred. While miscreants had cut the limbs of Chamaru Paharia, a migrant labourer from Nuapada district, in October 2019, another worker was attacked with acid in Sundargarh district in December 2018.

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