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**Office of the
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U.T. of Lakshadweep
Kavaratti**

FNO.35/2/2010/DYSP 1922

Dated 4th February 2010

To

Shri. Balasubramanian,
Research Officer,
National Commission for Scheduled Tribes,
Government of India,
6th Floor, B wing, Lok Nayak Bhawan,
Khan Market, New Delhi-110003

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Sub:- Complaint submitted by Ms. K. Shahida, Social worker-
Regarding sexual Abuse of ST Women workers by Non ST
Officer of Lakshadweep Govt. Press, Kavaratti.
Ref- Letter No. RU-IV/Atrocity/Lakshadweep-2/2008 Dtd 15.01.2010.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter cited on the subject mentioned above. The matter has been enquired in to detail by Shri. Umesh Kumar, DSP, Kavaratti. His enquiry report is enclosed herewith. This interim reply in the matter.

This is for kind information and necessary action please.

Yours faithfully,


4.2.2010
[RANVIR SINGH. IPS]
Superintendent of Police
U.T. of Lakshadweep

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Sub: Representation of Ms. Shahida K., Mahila Social Worker regarding sexual abuse of ST women workers by non ST Officer of Lakshadweep Govt. Press, Kavaratti forwarded by National Commission for Scheduled Tribes for taking necessary action.

Sir,

Kindly refer to letter No. RU-IV/Atrocity/Lakshadweep-2/2008 on the subject cited above. In this connection it is submitted that the enclosed complaint is from Ms. Shahida K., Mahila Social Worker and no address of the complainant is given in the complaint. The complaint is against Mr. V.V.Abdul Rasheed, Manager of the Lakshadweep Govt. Press, Kavaratti regarding sexual abuse and harassment of women employees working in Govt. Press, Kavaratti, and Lakshadweep Islands. Moreover CD, as mentioned in the complaint, has also not been enclosed along with the complaint received from the Commission to verify the allegations levelled in the complaint.

However enquiries were conducted at the Govt. Press, Kavaratti to verify the allegations levelled in the complaint. There are 15 women employees working at the Govt. Press for the past many years. The following women employees of the Govt. Press have given written statement in their own handwriting before the undersigned:

1. Ms. B.Sarommabi w/o Mohd. Kasim working at Press for last 15 years. She has no knowledge of Sahida K. and she has no complaint of sexual abuse/harassment against Mr. Rasheed.
2. Ms. B.Fatima w/o Abdul Kalam working at Press for last 26 years. She has no knowledge of Sahida K. and she has no complaint of sexual abuse/harassment against Mr. Rasheed.
3. Ms. Razia Begum d/o Mohd. Koya working at Press for last 13 years. She has no knowledge of Sahida K. and she has no complaint of sexual abuse/harassment against Mr. Rasheed.
4. Ms.P.Rohiya w/o Attakoya working at Press for last 30 years. She has no knowledge of Sahida K. and she has no complaint of sexual abuse/harassment against Mr. Rasheed.

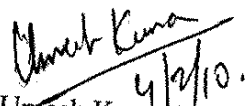
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5. Ms. Nafeesa w/o K.P.Khalid working at press for last many years. She has no knowledge of Sahida K. and she has no complaint of sexual abuse/harassment against Mr. Rasheed.
 6. Ms. Safiyath w/o P.I.Syedali working at press for last 20 years She has no knowledge of Sahida K. and she has no complaint of sexual abuse/harassment against Mr. Rasheed.
 7. Ms. Azeera Bindhu w/o C.G.Irshad Hussain working at press for last 2 1/2 years. She has no knowledge of Sahida K. and she has no complaint of sexual abuse/harassment against Mr. Rasheed.
 8. Ms. Najeemath w/o Mohd. Ali working at press for last 20 years. She has no knowledge of Sahida K. and she has no complaint of sexual abuse/harassment against Mr. Rasheed.

As per the women workers at Govt. Press they have no knowledge about any Shahida K., Mahila Social Worker. None of the women had any complaint against Sh Rasheed. They denied that they had ever been harassed or sexually abused by Mr. Rasheed. Mr. V.V. Abdul Rasheed has retired from service and presently living in Calicut, Kerala. Enquiries are being conducted to trace the complainant Ms. Shahida K. to verify the allegations levelled in the complaint. Suitable legal action in the matter will be taken after the complainant is traced or any other complaint is received by police in Kavaratti.

However it is pertinent to mention that in year 2007 a FIR no. 3/2007 was registered u/s 294 IPC and Section 6 of Indecent Representation of Women at Kavaratti Police station on the complaint of Mrs. P. Najeemath w/o Mohammed Ali. She is working as Compositor at Govt. Press, Kavaratti. She had complained against her fellow worker Mr. K.P. Thangakoya. She had alleged that Mr. Thangakoya had a video CD containing recording of sexual act between a couple and that Mr. Thangakoya was distributing the CD claiming that the couple in the CD was Mr. Rasheed, Manager and the lady was Ms. P. Najeemath. Ms. P. Najeemath denied that she was in the CD and stated that Mr. Thangakoya had fabricated CD by morphing or other technique to spoil her future and her married life and also blackmail Mr. Rasheed. She stated that she had no relation with Mr. Rasheed except as Head of Govt. Press and subordinate worker. Investigations were conducted by IOs SI Sameer, SI Najmudden and CI Ahmed. On investigation the video CD was recovered which

contained sexual act between a man and a woman which appears to be with mutual consent .The video CD was sent to CFSL,Chandigarh for report about whether the CD was altered/morphed/tampered. Report received from CFSL stated that there is no addition/deletion or tampering in the CD.Investigations have been completed in the case and no arrests have been made in the case so far. Final report will be submitted in the court shortly after taking opinion of Prosecution Branch.

Submitted Please.


(Umesh Kumar)
4/2/10.
Dy. Superintendent of Police
Lakshadweep

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