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**राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग**  
**National Commission for Scheduled Tribes**

(भारत के संविधान के अनुच्छेद 338क के अंतर्गत एक संवैधानिक निकाय)  
(A constitutional body under Article 338A of the Constitution of India)

F.No . NCST/ATY-737/TS/2/2022-APCR -RU-III

Dated: 25.06.2025

1. The Director General of Police,  
Government of Telangana,  
Lakdikapul Road,  
Opposite Ravindra Bharathi,  
Hyderabad,  
(Telangana)- 500004  
Email:dgp@tspolice.gov.in

2. The Superintendent of Police,  
District- Suryapet,  
SP's Office, District – Suryapet,  
(Telangana) – 508213  
Email: sp@spt.tspolice.gov.in


**Sub: Representation received from Ms. Sujatha Eslavath, President - Banjara Mahila Society, 18-1516/3, Kakatiya Nagar, Railway Station Road, Hyderabad, Telangana regarding the suspicious murder of Dharavath Nikhil, R/o Suryapet.**

Mam/Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of the sitting held under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) on 17.06.2025 at NCST, New Delhi on the above mentioned subject.

2. It is requested that the action taken/ to be taken in the matter may be submitted to NCST within stipulated time from receipt of the letter, for placing it before Hon'ble Commission.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Dr. P. Kalyan Reddy)  
Director

E-mail:- kalyanreddy.p@ncst.nic.in Ph No. 011-20819841

Copy to:-

1. Ms. Sujatha Eslavath, W/o China Gopal Eslavath, President - Banjara Mahila Society, 18 - 1516/3, Kakatiya Nagar, Railway Station Road, Miriyalaguda Post Nalgonda District, (Telangana) – 508207, Mobile Number: 8799728549
2. PS to Hon'ble Member (Shri Jatothu Hussain), NCST.
- ✓ 3. NIC, NCST for uploading on the website of the Commission.



**NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES**  
**NCST/ATY-737/TS/2/2022-APCR**

Minutes of the Sitting held under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes at Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi in the case of Mrs. Sujathaa Eslavath, President of Banjara Mahila Society regarding death of ST person belonging to Lambada community.

**Date of the Sitting: 17/06/2025, 05:10 PM**  
**Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure**

Mrs. Sujathaa Eslavath, President of Banjara Mahila Society, vide her petition dated 27.10.2022 has informed the Commission that Dharavath Nikhil, belonging to the Scheduled Tribe (Lambada) community, went missing on 9th October 2022 and was found dead under suspicious circumstances on 11th October 2022. The family suspects it to be an honor killing and had registered an FIR under Section 174 of IPC (Cr No. 124/2022) on the same day. However, no action has been taken by the police or the Telangana government till date. The petitioner requests urgent intervention to arrest the culprits, ensure justice for the bereaved tribal family, and direct the government to strictly implement the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act for the protection of tribal communities.


2. The Commission issued Notice to the Director General of Police, Telangana State and the Superintendent of Police, District- Suryapet vide Notice dated 07.11.2022 for ATR/Reply within 7 days of receipt of notice.

3. In this matter a sitting was held on 28.06.2024, where the Commission recommended that -

- "Another hearing will be held in August, 2024 to monitor the progress of investigation.
  - Reinvestigate the case and conduct enquiry with all the persons including the girl who was mentioned by the family members of the deceased.
  - File the case under SC/ST (POA) Act with appropriate sections in view of the death of victim.
  - Police Protection may be provided to the Petitioner and the family members of the deceased.
- Action taken report to be submitted in the Commission before 30th September, 2024. "

4. The Superintendent of Police, Suryapet District, vide his letter dated 04.10.2024, has informed the Commission that the petition of Ms. Sujatha Eslavath regarding the case of deceased Dharavath Nikhil was earlier forwarded for inquiry, and reports on the same were submitted to the Commission. In compliance with the Commission's directions, the Inspector of Police, Suryapet Town Police Station, has been instructed to provide protection to the deceased's family. Further, the first three recommendations of the Commission pertain to CID, Nalgonda, as the case is being investigated by them as per the DGP CID's memo dated 19.11.2022. The Superintendent of Police has requested the Commission to re-direct these recommendations to CID authorities for necessary implementation.

5. The DGP, CID, Telangana vide his letter dated 09.11.2024 has informed that Additional Superintendent of Police, CID, Telangana, in compliance with the hearing held on 28.06.2024, the case of Dharavath Nikhil has been reinvestigated, and multiple suspects were interrogated, but no conclusive evidence was found. The prime suspect, Shaik Afroz Baba, underwent a polygraph test, and the results indicated no deceptive responses. Further permission has been sought from the Hon'ble Court to conduct lie detector tests on other suspects. Regarding the SC/ST (POA) Act, it was stated that the available evidence does not justify its invocation at this stage, but it may be applied if new evidence emerges. The petitioner has been advised to approach local police for protection.

  
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6. The petitioner vide email dated 25 March 2025 requested for a sitting. The Commission decided to discuss the issue with the authority and the petitioner on 17.6.2025. Accordingly, a Sitting Notice was sent on 09.6.2025.

7. In the sitting, Additional SP, CID, Telangana was present on behalf of DGP, CID, Telangana. The petitioner was also present.

8. The petitioner informed that the case is being delayed. The Additional SP, CID informed that all the necessary action is being taken up. The suspected is called from USA and the lie detector test was conducted on 8 of the suspects. The report is pending from the Forensic science laboratory. Everything is re-interrogated and corroborated with the previous statements. The case is also converted to IPC 302.

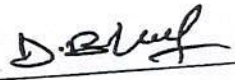
9. After discussion with the Additional SP, CID, Telangana and the petitioner, the following recommendations were made and action taken report may be submitted to NCST within 45 days of receipt of minutes.

- The CID may pursue with the Forensic science laboratory and get the pending report and conclude the investigation process in 45 days time.
- Protection may be given by the police to the family members of the deceased.

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**List of participants of the sitting held on 09.04.2025 at 11.45..... under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu, Hussain, Hon'ble Member, NCST**

Sl. No.	Name and Designation	Address & Phone No.	Signature
<b>I</b>	<b><u>National Commission for Scheduled Tribes</u></b>		
1.	Dr. P.K. Reddy Director		
2.	NCST Officials		
<b>II</b>	<b><u>DGP, Hyderabad</u></b>		
Sl. No.	Name and Designation	Address & Phone No.	Signature
<b>III</b>	<b><u>SP, Suryapet</u></b>		
<b>IV</b>	<b><u>Petitioner</u></b>		
	D. Bhasker naik		
	Prem Sirega	