

राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

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File No.- NCST/ATY-1870/TN/1/2024-APCR-RUIII

Dated 25.07.2025

To,

- The Additional Director General of Police (Railways), Egmore, Chennai, Tamil Nadu – 600008
- The General Manager, Southern Railways GM Office, Poonamallee High Road, NGO Annexe, Park Town, Chennai, Tamil nadu - 600003 Email id – gm@sr.railnet.gov.in

Sub: Representation dated 24.05.2024 received from Shri Venkatesan, Velacherry, Chennai regarding Assault and human rights violation by Government railway police, Chennai Central.

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I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of the sittings held on 10.07.2025 at 06:10 PM under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes at New Delhi on the above mentioned subject.

It is requested that the action taken/to be taken in the matter may be intimated to NCST within stipulated time from receipt of the letter for placing it before the Commission.

Yours faithfully,

(डॉ.पी.कल्याण रेड्डी/Dr. P. Kalyan Reddy)

निदेशक/Director

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2, PS to Hon'ble Member (JH), NCST

3. NIC, NCST for uploading on the website of the Commission.

NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES

Minutes of the Sitting held under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes at LokNayakBhawan, New Delhiin the case of Shri S. Venkatesan, Senior Technician, Southern Railways, Chennai Centralregarding assault by police personnel.

NCST/ATY-1870/TN/1/2024-APCR Date of the Sitting: 10/07/2025, 6:10 PM Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure

Shri S. Venkatesan, Senior Technician, Southern Railways, Chennai Central, vide his representation dated 24.05.2025, has alleged that on 31.12.2022, while on duty, he was assaulted by Government Railway Police personnel including Constables Vikraman, Sankar, ThamaraiSelvi, and Sub-Inspector Harikrishnan after he asked for an identity card from Vikraman who was in plain clothes. He states that he and a colleague, Mrs. Nagarani, sustained injuries and he was admitted to Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital, Chennai, from 31.12.2022 to 02.01.2023. Despite lodging multiple complaints, including to the Chief Minister's Cell (C.No.D3/09/956/2023 dated 30.01.2023), no FIR was registered against the accused; instead, a false case (Crime No.520/2022) was filed against him. He alleges abuse of power and human rights violations and seeks intervention of the Commission for compensation and prosecution of the erring officers.

- 2. The Commission issued notice to the General Manager, Southern Railway on 08.10.2024 for seeking facts and comments within 15 days from receipt of the minutes.
- 3. The General Manager, Southern Railway vide letter no. CXC/GRP Correspondence/ NCST-1/24 dated 21.11.2024 has informed that the complaint of Sri S. Venkatesan regarding assault and human rights violation by Government Railway Police (GRP), Chennai Central, was referred to the Additional Director General of Police, GRP, Tamil Nadu for a factual report. The ADGP's enquiry report states that on 31.12.2022, GRP personnel along with a BSNL employee went to the bed roll office to check a telephone cable fault when the petitioner demanded their ID cards and subsequently grabbed one, used abusive language and later assaulted a police constable. A case (Cr.No.520/2022) under sections 294(b), 323, and 506(ii) IPC was registered against the petitioner, which is now under trial before the XVI Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Chennai (CC No.885/2023). The report alleges that the petitioner, anticipating conviction, filed false petitions claiming caste-based abuse, whereas the involved GRP personnel also belong to SC community.
- 4. Shri S. Venkatesan, vide his letter dated 23.06.2025 has again requested the NCST for justice. He also stated that while on duty at the bedroll section, Chennai Central Railway Station, he questioned a plain-clothed police constable, Vikraman, about his identity as the area was restricted. After Vikramanleft his ID card, other GRP personnel, including Vikraman, later barged into his office, verbally abused and physically assaulted him and his coworker, Mrs. Nagarani. He states he was admitted to Rajiv Gandhi Government Hospital for three days and upon trying to lodge a complaint, GRP police refused to register it. Instead, a false case (Cr. No.520/2022) was filed against him under sections 294-B, 323, and 506(ii) IPC, where the alleged perpetrators were cited as witnesses. He claims this constitutes human rights violations and abuse of official power and requests the Commission to conduct an enquiry, direct compensation, and initiate legal proceedings against the involved officials.
- 5. The Commission has decided to discuss the issue with the authority and the petitioner on 10.07.2025. Accordingly, a Sitting Notice was sent on 30.06.2025.
- 6. In the sitting, the Management of Southern Railway has deputed the official of RPF to attend the sitting. The officers of RPF informed that GRP do not come under the direct control of Southern Railways but rather under ADGP, Government Railway Police, Tamil Nadu. The Commission expressed its deep disappointment over the manner in which the matter has been handled by the authorities. It observed that it is highly improbable for a railway employee on duty to physically assault four to five personnel, as alleged in the report, without provocation. Instead of taking cognizance of the petitioner's complaint of assault and abuse by the Government Railway Police, a case was filed against the employee while no action was initiated against the police officials involved. This raises serious concerns about the impartiality of the enquiry conducted and reflects a possible abuse of power by those entrusted to uphold the law.

7. After discussion with the officers of RPF and petitioner, it was decided the matter may be referred to ADGP, GRP, Tamil Nadu for facts and comments. Further discussion in the matter will be held with the officials of ADGP, GRP, Tamil Nadu.

(Jatothu Hussain)

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List of participants of the sitting held on 10.07.2025 at 6250.... under the chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, NCST

Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Address & Phone No.	Signature
1	National Commission for Scheduled Tribes		
1.	Dr. P.K Reddy Director		
2.	NCST Officials		
11	Southern Railway		
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