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राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग
National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

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(A constitutional body under Article 338A of the Constitution of India)

File No. NCST/DEV-1757/OR/32/2023-ESDW-RU-III

Dated: 01.08.2025

To

1. The Collector & District Magistrate,
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2. The Additional District Magistrate,
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Sub: Representation dated 22.05.2023 of Shri Francis Barwa S/o Late Noas Barwa, AT-Jalda B Block, PO-Jalda C Block, District-Sundargarh, Odisha regarding forcible occupation of reclamation land with some malafied intention by the land mafia group of Jalda and Fertilizer area.

महोदय/महोदया,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of the sittings held on 23.07.2025 at 01:05 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
Telephone No. : 011-20819841

Copy for information:-

1. Shri Francis Barwa, s/o Late Noas Barwa,
At-Jalda B Block, PO-Jalda C Block,
District-Sundargarh, Odisha- 770001
Mobile No:
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 Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi in the case of Shri Francis Barwa, S/o Late Noas Barwa, R/o Jalda B Block, PO Jalda C Block, Dist. Sundargarh regarding encroachment of his land.

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Date of the Sitting: 23/07/2025, 1:05 PM

Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure

Shri Francis Barwa, S/o Late Noas Barwa, R/o Jalda, B-Block, PO Jalda C Block, Distt- Sundargarh vide his petition dated 22.05.2023 has stated that his grandfather, Ex-Zamindar of Nagra Estate had granted him Ac. 6.90 of forest land (Sabik Plot No. 947, SabikKhata No. 74, Village Jalda) for agricultural purposes, which was converted into paddy land and remained under uninterrupted possession. He claimed that during the 1962 settlement, after verifying records and field position, the Settlement Authority suggested recording the land in his name, and though ROR was finally published in 1976, the land was wrongly shown as AnabadiKhata. He alleges that presently some land grabbers, with the help of revenue officials, are leveling and plotting the land to sell it, creating a law-and-order situation. He also mentions that he is a landless ST displaced person due to Rourkela Steel Plant and seeks urgent protection of his life and property from antisocial elements.

2. In this case, a sitting was held on 05.11.2024 and minutes were forwarded on 16.12.2024 for furnishing the Action taken report-

- A detailed inquiry may be conducted in this matter, and the ATR may be sent to the Commission within 30 days.

3. The Collector & District Magistrate, Sundargarh, vide his letter no. 399/Judl d dated 28.01.2025 has submitted ATR stating that the matter was enquired into by the Tahasildar, Lathikata. The enquiry revealed that the petitioner's grandfather, Negi Barwa could not produce sufficient documents for recording Ac. 6.90 of land, and was not in possession of the claimed land during the settlement operation. As a result, the settlement authority did not record the land in his favour. It was also reported that the claimed land (Hal Plot No. 1528, Khata No. 120) was later divided, and parts of it were granted agricultural leases and recorded in other individuals' names through encroachment and mutation cases between 1977 and 2021. The Tahasildar confirmed that portions of the land have since been settled in favour of displaced persons from Rourkela Steel Plant and others.

4. A team of NCST has visited the place in April, 2025, the issue was discussed with the authority and the petitioner, at the spot. The case was not resolved. Hence, NCST has decided to discuss the issue with the authority and the petitioner on 23.07.2025. Accordingly, a Sitting Notice was sent on 16.07.2025. The SP, Rourkela has sought exemption and deputed Dy. Supdt. of Police, Rourkela to attend the sitting.

5. In the sitting, the Sub-Collector, Panposh, District – Sundargarh was present on behalf of Collector, District – Sundargarh and Dy. Supdt. of Police, Rourkela and petitioner were present. The petitioner has reiterated his earlier submission and also drawn the attention of team of NCST at spot and stated that the Administration has not taken corrective action. The Sub Collector, Panposh has reiterated the fact submitted by the Collector, Sundargarh vide their letter dated 28.1.2025. The Collector assured that he will look into the matter personally and try to resolve the case within 2 months.

6. After discussion with the officer of Sundargarh and petitioner, the following recommendations were made and action taken there on may be submitted within 2 months from receipt of the minutes.

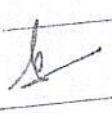
- The District Administration is advised to convene meeting with the said villagers/Residents of the colony and official of Revenue Department of the District – Sundargarh/ Rourkela to settle the case.

जाटोतु हुसैन / Jatothu Hussain
(Jatothu Hussain)

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F. No NCST/DEV-1757/OR/32/2023-FSDV

List of participants of the sitting held on 23.07.2025 at 01.00.05 under the chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, NCST

Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Address & Phone No.	Signature
I	<u>National Commission for Scheduled Tribes</u>		
1.	Dr. P.K Reddy Director		
2.	NCST Officials		
II	<u>Collector & District Magistrate, District - Sundargarh</u>		
Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Address & Phone No.	Signature
	Bijay Kumar Nayak	Sub-collector, Pampah 9437869232	
III	<u>Superintendent of Police, District - Sundargarh</u>		
IV	<u>Petitioner</u>		
	Francis Bahwa	9937813031	Francis Bahwa