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File No. NCST/ATY-2705/OR/126/2025-RO-BHUV/RU-III

Dated: 07.08.2025

To

 The Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Odisha, Home Department, Odisha Secretariat, Lokseba Bhawan, Bhubaneswar, Khordha, Odisha 751001

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Sub: Representation bearing no. 0350/2025, dated 20.06.25 of Shri Haladhar Sethy, President, Orissa State Scheduled Caste-Scheduled Tribes Youth Council, Qrs. No.2RAF 50/7, Unit-IX, Bhubaneswar, Odisha regarding alleged heinous Rape and Murder of One ST and One SC Girls of 7th Class at MV-126, Malkanagiri of Odisha in M.V.-79 P.S. Case No-29 dtd. 15.02.2025, Case No.-23, dtd. 07.02.2025 and Case No. -35 dtd. 01.03.2025, and Motu P.S. Case No-20 dtd.15.02.2025.

महोदय/महोदया,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of the sittings held on 25.07.2025 at 06:00 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

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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 Haladhar Sethy, President, Orissa State Scheduled Caste-Scheduled Tribes Youth Council, Bhubaneswar regarding alleged Rape and Murder of One ST and One SC Girls of 7th Class at Malkangiri District of Odisha.

NCST/ATY-2705/OR/126/2025-RO-BHUV/RU-III
Date of the Sitting: 25/07/2025, 6:00 PM
Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure

Shri Haladhar Sethy, President of Orissa State Scheduled Caste-Scheduled Tribe Youth Council, Bhubaneswar vide letter dated 20.06.2025 has alleged regarding the heinous rape and murder of two minor girls—Mandira Sodi (ST) and Jyoti Haldar (SC), both aged 12—from Malkangiri, Odisha. The victims were found hanged on 08.02.2025 with severe injuries, including acid burns and grievous wounds on private parts. FIRs were registered in M.V.-79 and Motu police stations, but the police allegedly failed to collect crucial evidence and are accused of being callous in investigating due to the involvement of influential higher-caste accused. The accused threatens to the witnesses due to lack of police protection and monetary relief under the Prevention of Atrocities Act, has not been given to the victims.

- 2. The Commission issued notice to the Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department and DGP, Government of Odisha on 3.7.2025 for seeking facts and comments within 05 days from receipt of the Notice. There was no response from authority. The petitioner vide letter dated 12.07.2025 has requested for sitting with the authorities to ensure justice. Hence, NCST decided to discuss the issue with the authorities and petitioner on 25.07.2025. Accordingly, a Sitting Notice was sent on 18.07.2025
- 4. The Home Department, Govt. of Odisha vide letter dated 21.7.2025 which is addressed to Collector & DM, Malkangiri and Superintendent of Police, Malkangiri and copy to NCST for attending the sitting at NCST, New Delhi. The SP, HRPC, Cuttack vide letter dated 23.7.2025 which is addressed to Collector & DM, Malkangiri and Superintendent of Police, Malkangiri and copy to NCST for attending the sitting at NCST, New Delhi received in the Commission.
- 5. In the sitting, the SP, Malkangiri was present and petitioner joined through Video Conference. The petitioner reiterated the facts and also shown the pitchers of the sites as well as photograph of the deceased girls which were hanging on the tree. The SP, Malkangiri informed that there was no evidence of rape and murder of the alleged girls and shown the post-mortem report. It was assured that the detailed report in the matter will be made available to NCST.
- 6. During discussion with the SP, Malkangiri and petitioner, it was observed that the police Department has not taken corrective action.
- 7. After discussion with the SP, Malkangiri and petitioner, the following recommendations were made and action taken there on may be submitted to NCST at the earliest.
- The SP, Malkangiri is advised to provide the details investigation report in the case to NCST within 15 days, as assured in the sitting.
- The petitioner is advised to meet the SP, Malkangiri with the supporting documents related with the case, as shown in the sitting.
- The Police Department, Malkangiri may ensure the protection to the victims family.
- The Home Department, Govt. of Odisha is also advised to hand over / refer the matter to CID of the State to ensure justice with the victims their families.
- The action may also be initiated for providing compensation to the families of the victims as per PoA Act, 1989.

(Jatothu Hussain

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