



**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/DEV-5915/GJ/1/2025-RU-III

18.12.2025

To,

1. The District Collector  
District - Surat  
Jilla Seva Sadan, Surat-Dumas Rd.  
Near Chopati Garden, Chopati,  
Athwa, Surat (Gujarat)-395001
2. The Secretary,  
Revenue Department,  
Govt. of Gujarat  
Block No. 11, 7th Floor,  
New Sachivalay, Gandhinagar (Gujarat) -382010

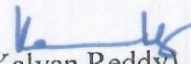
**Sub: Alleged non-payment of rightful dues to Scheduled Tribe family and denial of compensation for land situated at Khatodara Village, Surat, Gujarat - a Representation dated 09.09.2025 by Shri Sureshbhai Rathod, Khatodara, Surat, Gujarat.**

महोदय/महोदया,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of the sitting held on 05.12.2025 under the chairmanship of Shri Jathothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) at New Delhi on the above mentioned subject.

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  
Ph No. 011-20819841

Copy for information:-

1. Shri Sureshbhai Chhotubhai Rathod,  
Village Khatodara, Surat District, Gujarat,  
Surat (Gujarat) (Mobile No:8141480000)
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 Sureshbhai Rathod, Khatodara, Surat, Gujarat regarding alleged non-payment of rightful dues to Scheduled Tribe family and denial of compensation for land situated at Khatodara Village, Surat, Gujarat.

**NCST/DEV-5915/GJ/1/2025-RU-III**  
**Date of the Sitting: 05/12/2025, 7:40 PM**  
**Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure**

Shri Sureshbhai Chhotubhai Rathod, resident of Village Khatodara, Surat District, Gujarat, vide his representation dated 09.09.2025, has stated that his family, belonging to the Scheduled Tribe community, are the lawful successors of agricultural land measuring 4651 sq. meters, bearing Final Plot No. 367 of Town Planning Scheme (Majura-Khatodara), duly recorded in revenue and city survey records. The land has a clear history of lawful possession and succession, beginning from January 1948, when it was declared protected, followed by entries in 1958, 1961, 1969, 1977, 1978, 2002, 2009, and 2020, confirming the family's legal entitlement. Despite this, the family has not been compensated for the said land as per the prevailing rules and regulations of the State of Gujarat. The petitioner has therefore requested the Commission to intervene and direct the concerned State authorities to provide due compensation under the relevant provisions of State law, ensuring justice and protection of constitutional rights guaranteed to Scheduled Tribes.

2. NCST vide notice dated 23.09.2025 sought facts and comments from the District Collector, Surat and the Secretary, Revenue Department, Gujarat within 30 days from receipt of the Notice. The reply was not received, hence the Commission decided to discuss the issue with the authority and the petitioner on 12.11.2025, which was postponed, as the authority was not present. Hence, the sitting was re-fixed on 05.12.2025. Accordingly, a Sitting Notice was sent on 26.11.2025. The District Collector & Magistrate, Surat vide letter dated 4.12.2025 has sought exemption and deputed Dy. Collector (Land Reforms), Surat to attend the sitting.

3. In the sitting, the Dy. Collector (Land Reforms), Surat and Town Planner Surat Municipal Corporation were present. The petitioner was joined via phone. The petitioner has reiterated his earlier submission and requested for justice. The Dy. Collector (Land Reforms), Surat has provided letter no. Ten-4/Khatodara-21/Vashi245/2025 dated 4.12.2025 along with enclosures which contains the facts and comments on the issue. It was also informed that the petitioner's land has been occupied with the other persons. Hence, it requires to be taken back by the petitioner from the encroachers. Thereafter, following the due procedure, the Administration will be in position to provide the compensation / relief in favour of the petitioner.

5. After discussion with the above officers of District Administration and petitioner, the following recommendations were made and action taken there on may be submitted to NCST within 30 days from receipt of the Notice.

- The petitioner is advised meet the Town Planner (Shri Jaideep Parikh) Surat Municipal Corporation for further guidance in respect of his case.
- The petitioner is also advised to file a complaint before the respective Police Station against the encroachers.
- The District Police of Surat is advised to help and guide petitioner for resolving his issues.

(Jatothu Hussain)

जाटोतु हुसैन / Jatothu Hussain  
सदस्य / Member

भारत सरकार / Government of India  
राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग  
National Commission for Scheduled Tribes  
नई दिल्ली / New Delhi



List of participants of the sitting held on 5.12.2025 at ...7.30 under the chairmanship of Shri Jatothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, NCST at New Delhi.

Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Address & Phone No.	Signature
I	<u>National Commission for Scheduled Tribes</u>		
1.	Dr. P.Kalyan Reddy Director		
2.	NCST Officials		
II	<u>Revenue Department, Govt. of Gujarat</u>		
Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Phone No.	Signature
III	<u>District Collector, District Surat</u>		
	Rohit Chaudhary Dy. Collector (DCLP) Rep. of Collector Surat	9724330902	Rohit
	Jaydeep Parikh. JL Town Planner Surat Municipal Corp.	9825413758	J.P.
IV	<u>Petitioner</u>		
		(Over phone)	