



राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

(भारत के संविधान के अनुच्छेद 338क के अंतर्गत एक संवैधानिक निकाय)
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F.No . NCST/ATY-3030/MHRD/50/2025-RU-IV

06.01.2025

The Director,
Indian Institute Of Technology Patna
Bihta, Patna, Bihar 801106
Email ID : director@iitp.ac.in

Sub: Representation regarding caste based discrimination- mail dated 17th August, 2025 of Shri Souhardya Das Chowdhury, Bengaluru (Bangalore) Urban, Karnataka.

Mam/Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of the sitting held under the Chairmanship of Shri Jathothu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) on 17.12.2025 at NCST, New Delhi on the above mentioned subject, for information.

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. P. Kalyan Reddy)
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Copy to:-

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2. PS to Hon'ble Member (Shri Jathothu Hussain), 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 Souhardya Das Chowdhury, Bengaluru (Banglore) Urban, Karnataka regarding caste based discrimination.

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Date of the Sitting: 17/12/2025, 3:40 PM

Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure

Shri Souhardya Das Chowdhury, Bengaluru (Urban), Karnataka vide his online grievance petition bearing registration no. MTRBL/E/2025/0001497 dated 17th August, 2025 has stated that IIT Patna has been explicitly mentioning each student's name along with their caste in all Annual Reports from 2008–09 to 2020–21, which, according to him, promotes caste-based discrimination and violates the privacy of students and alumni, including those belonging to the Scheduled Tribe category. He requests that IIT Patna be directed to either remove those reports from the website or redact the caste details.

2. NCST vide notice dated 30.09.2025 sought facts and comments from the Director, Indian Institute of Technology Patna, Bihar within 15 days from receipt of the Notice. The reply was not received, hence, NCST has decided to discuss the issue with the authority and the petitioner on 17.12.2025. Accordingly, a Sitting Notice was sent on 08.12.2025.

3. In the sitting the Director, IIT, Patna alongwith Assistant Registrar IIT Patna were present. But there was no communication from petitioner. The Director, IIT Patna has provided a copy of his letter no. IITP/DIR/A.Rep/Oct/2025/01 dated 10.10.2025 which contains the facts and comments in the matter. In the letter, it has been stated that "no caste details of any student have been displayed in any of the Annual Reports of the Institute. Only the category of students was indicated in the Annual Reports up to 2021-22. From the Academic Year 2022-23 onwards, no data indicating student category has been included in the Annual Reports. All Annual Reports are duly approved by the Board of Governors, IIT Patna and further mentioned that they are unable to make changes to the Annual Reports that have already been published."

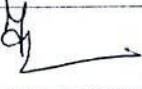
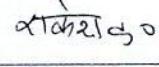
4. After discussion with the Director, IIT, Patna and in view of the above letter dated 10.10.2025 of IIT Patna, it has been observed that no action warranted on part of NCST.

(Jatothu Hussain)

जाटोथु हुसैन / Jatothu Hussain
सदस्य / Member
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List of participants of the sitting held on 17.12.2025 at under the chairmanship of
Shri Jatotu 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>IIT, Patna</u>		
Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Phone No.	Signature
	Prof TN Singh Director IITP	9305525500	
	Rakesh Hussain Amritsar Regd.	8969392561	
III	<u>Petitioner</u>		