



**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/ATY-2092/KA/2/2025-(RU-III)

Dated:- 6.1.2026

To,

The Collector & District Magistrate,  
District:-Koppal, Diwator Nagar,  
Koppal, Karnataka-583238  
Email- dckoppal@karnataka.gov.in  
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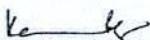
**Sub:- Denial of Compensation to ST people by the Koppal District Management - a representation dated 07.01.2025 of Shri Arun S Hirchal, Opp. Tavergeri Nour Hone, Dharavad-580008.**

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I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of the sitting held on 17.12.2025 under the chairmanship of Shri Jatotu 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 Arun S. Hirchal,  
Sneha Kunja Buildng  
Opp. Tavergeri Ursing Home,  
Dharwad, Karnataka-580008  
Mobile No. 09900836386
2. PS to Hon'ble Member (JI), NCST.
3. NIC- for uploading on the website of the Commission.

## NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES

Minutes of the Sitting held under the Chairmanship of Shri Jatotu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes at Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi in the case of Shri Arun S. Hirahal regarding rightful compensation for the acquisition of his mango farmhouse

NCST/ATY-2092/KA/2/2025-RU-III  
Date of the Sitting: 17/12/2025, 5:00 PM  
Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure

Shri Arun S. Hirahal, resident of Sneha Kuri Building, Opp. Tavergeri Nursing Home, Dharwad-580008, vide his representation dated 07.01.2025, has submitted a complaint against officials of Koppal District Administration, directors of Renew Transmission Ventures Pvt. Ltd./Gadag Transmission Ltd, and officers of Axis Bank, Ilkal, alleging economic boycott and denial of rightful compensation for the acquisition of his mango farmhouse (Survey No. 32/2, Shadelgeri Village, Kustagi Taluk, Koppal District) for installation of high-tension wires. He claims that despite multiple complaints made since November-December 2023, no compensation was paid until April 2024, when a sum of Rs. 6 lakhs was deposited via DD by GTL Construction without any documents or explanation. He alleges that Axis Bank officials refused to provide details, and that Renew Ventures falsely claimed in a letter that he had declined the compensation. He also alleges that 31 trees were felled on his land without permission or compensation, and that no safety or insurance measures were implemented by the company, despite incidents of death in the district due to such installations. He has sought legal action under relevant provisions including the SC/ST (PoA) Act, IPC 420, IPC 409, IPC 166, and Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

2. In this matter, a sitting was held on 10.7.2025 and the following recommendation were made. The minutes were circulated on 28.7.2025 with request to submit the action taken report within 30 days from receipt of the Minutes.

- The Dy. Commissioner, Koppal may re-examine the issue, as assured in the sitting.
- The issues raised by the petitioner may also be taken into consideration. An opportunity may also be given to petitioner to present his case for justice.

3. The Deputy Commissioner & District Magistrate, Koppal, vide their letter no. REV/MAG/32/1/2024-25/1694 dated 16/09/2025 has stated that pursuant to the Commission's recommendations, four hearings on 14/07/2025, 24/07/2025, 29/07/2025 and 07/08/2025 have been conducted by him, and after hearing both parties, passed a compensation order on 16/09/2025 under Sections 10(d) and 16(1) of the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885, directing the company to pay compensation to the petitioner. It has also been stated that the Forest and Horticulture Departments have been directed to fix valuation for the trees cut and the complainant has been asked to approach the district court for fixation of additional compensation.

4. The reply was not satisfactory, hence, NCST 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.

5. In the sitting, the Deputy Commissioner & District Magistrate, Koppal and petitioner joined through Video Conference. The petitioner has informed that the compensation has not been paid by the concerned agencies. Further, the Administration has not taken any action regarding Addl. Compensation for cutting trees etc. The District Collector and Magistrate has reiterated the facts submitted by him vide letter dated 16.9.2025 and stated that the petitioner is not cooperating with the forest department for assessing the number of trees for which compensation is demanded by the petitioner.

6. After discussion with the Deputy Commissioner & District Magistrate, Koppal and petitioner, the following recommendations were made and action taken thereon may be submitted to NCST within 30 days from receipt of the minutes.

- The petitioner is advised to cooperate with the forest department and other concerned agencies for assessing the number of trees for which compensation has been demanded.
- The District Administration is also advised to instruct the concerned agencies i.e. Gadag Transmission Ltd and Renew Transmission Ventures Ltd for release of compensation in favour of the petitioner and ensure that the same is released. If the compensation are not paid by the agencies within (3) weeks, NCST will decide further course of action in the matter.

जाटोतु हसैन / Jatotu Hussain  
सदस्य / Member  
राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग  
National Commission for Scheduled Tribes  
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List of participants of the sitting held on 17.12.2025 at ..53:32.... under the chairmanship of Shri Jatotu Hussain, Hon'ble Member, NCST at New Delhi.

Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Address & Phone No.	Signature
<b>I</b> <u>National Commission for Scheduled Tribes</u>			
1.	Dr. P Kalyan Reddy Director		
2.	NCST Officials		
<b>II</b> <u>District Collector, Koppal</u>			
Sr. No.	Name and Designation	Phone No.	Signature
		<i>Amulya V.C.</i>	
<b>III</b> <u>Petitioner</u>			
		<i>Amulya V.C.</i>	