

Government of India National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

6th floor, 'B' Wing, Loknayak Bhawan Khan market, New Delhi-110003. Dated: 09/09/2013

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The Deputy Commissioner,
Distt. Palamu
Govt. of Jharkhand

 Additional Director General, (CID), Home Department, Ranchi- Jharkhand

 Superintendent of Police, Distt. Palamu,
 Jharkhand

Sub: Letter dated 06/09/2013 from Hon'ble Member of Parliament, (Lok Sabha), Shri Inder Singh Namdhari regarding alleged harassment/ sexual assault of Smt. Abha Anjana Tigga CHC R/o Village Siris(doki), P.O. Palheya, Thana- Manika, Distt. Latehar, Jharkhand.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to enclose a copy of the letter of Hon'ble Member Shri Inder Singh Namdhari dated 06/09/2013 forwarding herewith a copy of the letter regarding alleged atrocity of Smt. Abha Anjana Tigga

- 2. It appears that the grievance mentioned in the report relates to an offence of atrocity on a members of ST community as described in Sections 3(1) and 3(2) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes(POA) Act, 1989. The following steps should therefore be taken for redressal of the grievance:-
 - (i) A well documented FIR should be registered in time by the police citing the relevant Sections of the SCs & STs (POA) Act alongwith the applicable Sections of IPC.
 - (ii) The case is investigated by a Police Office not below the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police within 30 days as laid down in Rule 7 of the SCs & STs (POA) Rules.
 - (iii) An effective charge sheet citing the relevant Sections of the SCs & STs (POA) Act alongwith the applicable Sections of IPC is filed in the Special Court set up for trying atrocity cases under Section 14 of the SCs & STs (POA) Act.
 - (iv) A report of relief and rehabilitation facilities provided to the victims is furnished by the District authorities to the Special Court.

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- (v) Well qualified Public Prosecutor/Special Public Prosecutor is assigned the duty of handling the case in the Special Court.
- (vi) Adequate legal aid is provided to enable the aggrieved persons to avail themselves of justice.
- (vii) Adequate police protection to the victims and witness is provided till the conclusion of trial.
- (viii) Well qualified Public Prosecutor/Special Public Prosecutor is assigned the duty of handing the case in the Special Court.
- (ix) Adequate legal aid is provide to enable the aggrieved persons to avail themselves of justice.
- (x) Adequate police protection to the victims and witness is provided till the conclusion of trial.
- 3. It is requested that comments alongwith the action taken report on the news report may be furnished to this Commission by **14.09.2013** (NCST-Fax No. 011-24624628) positively.
- 4. National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, a Constitutional body set up under Article 338A of the Constitution is, inter-alia, entrusted with duties to inquire into specific complaints with respect to the deprivation of rights and safeguards of Scheduled Tribes and has been given powers of Civil Court to deal with the complaints.

Looking into the seriousness of the case Hon'ble Chairperson Dr. Ramehswar Oraon has desired to discuss the matter <u>in person on 19/09/2013 at 15.00Hrs</u> at NCST Hqrs Conference Room, 6th Floor Loknayak Bhawan, khan Market, New Delhi-110003 with action taken report and punitive, protective & preventive measure taken to safeguards the Tribal girls/womens.

Yours faithfully,

(K. D. Bhansor)Mrs.
Deputy Director

Copy, alongwith a copy of the enclosures for information and necessary action to:

(1) The Research Officer, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes Regional Office Ranchi, 14, New AG Co-operative Colony, Kadaru Ranchi (Jharkhand) – 834002

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