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Case No. 22/14/2005-2006-PF/UC  
NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION  
(LAW DIVISION)

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Dated 09/11/2006

To

THE SPECIAL SECRETARY (HOME),  
GOVT. OF MANIPUR, IMPHAL

Sub : Complaint / Intimation from

SH. SUHAS CHAKMA, DIRECTOR  
ASIAN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, C-3/44-C,  
JANAKPURJ  
WEST DELHI, DELHI.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to your letter no. 2/8(29)/2005-H dated 18/02/2006, I am directed to say that the matter was considered by the Commission on 05/10/2006 and the Commission has directed as follows.

*These proceedings shall be read in continuation of the earlier proceedings of the Commission.*

*After perusing the complaint, the Commission, vide proceedings dated 3.1.2006 directed issue of notice to the Chief Secretary and DGP, Manipur, Imphal, calling for a report in six weeks.*

*Pursuant to the directions of the Commission, Special Secretary (Home), Govt. of Manipur, vide communication dated. 18th February 2006 has submitted report. Relevant part of the report reads as under:-*

*"On the night of 14.12.2005 at about 12 mid-night negotiations were going in the Chief Minister's Bungalow in Imphal between the Government and the representatives of the Khuga Dam Action Committee. In the meantime, about 400 peopled gathered near the Dam site and demanded that the construction work should be stopped immediately unless the State Government paid all the compensation in full to the affected persons. An agreement was being reached between the two parties in Imphal. However, the representatives could not contact the people who were agitating at Khuga Dam site. The D. C. who was one of the Government representative informed his A.D.C. in Churachandpur who in turn informed the Churachandpur Police Station to convey message to the agitators at the Dam site that the negotiations had been settled and would be signed in a few minutes. However, by that time the agitators had become vry violent and they pelled stones at the security forces and shouted slogans. The police party who went to ell the agitators about the negotiations at Imphal were intercepted and their vehicle destroyed by the mob and set on fire. The crowd then attacked the BSF Post at Khuga Dam which is stationed there to guard the workers, equipments, staff and property of the Dam. The crowd broke open the main gate of the BSF Post and set the barracks and other structures on fire.*

*The efforts of the police and other security forces to prevent the mob from turning the violent failed miserably. The agitators also injured the BSF personnel and other policemen on duty.*

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After due warning, the security forces at first used tear gas and lathi charge to disperse the mob but could not control the unruly crowd. As there was no other way out, the security forces opened fire to save their lives and avoid being overpowered by the mob and also to protect the properties which they were guarding. Three people identified as Liansunmung (3) of Mata Muallam, Pumsuanhao (36) of Zoum,un and Kailian (48) of Mata Muallam were killed in the firing. About 33 villagers were injured in the incident. Out of this, 15 people were grievously injured and admitted to hospitals at Churachandpur and Imphal. Seven policemen were injured by the mob and were given medical treatment at District Hospital, Churachandpur.

The main reason why the trouble erupted is because the Khuga Dam Action Committee who met the Chief Minister at Imphal could not get in touch with the villagers due to communication problems. The Government has also agreed to pay ex-gratia of RS. 11 lakh to each family members of the deceased within December, 2005 and also pay Rs. 10,000/- to each of the injured within three months. An enquiry is also being made into the incident for taking appropriate action against any one found guilty among the security forces."

The Commission has perused the report. Special Secretary (Home), Govt. of Manipur is directed to submit status report regarding payment of compensation to each family members of the deceased and injured. Special Secretary (Home), Manipur is also directed to submit status report regarding action taken against anyone found guilty amongst the security forces during inquiry.

2. It is therefore, requested that the additional/complete report as directed by the Commission in the matter be sent latest by 07/12/2006, for futher consideration by the Commission.

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Yours faithfully,

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ASSISTANT REGISTRAR (I.A.W)