

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
(LAW DIVISION)
FARIDKOT HOUSE
COPERNICUS MARG, NEW DELHI - 110001

Dated 17/11/2008

Case No. 639/13/35/08-09

21 NOV 2008

To

SUHAS CHAKMA, DIRECTOR
R/O N.C.P. OF TORTURE C-3/441-C, JANAKPURI, NEW
DELHI
WEST DELHI, DELHI.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to your complaint dated 25/06/2008, I am directed to say that the matter was considered by the Commission on 17/11/2008. The Commission has made the following directions.

The NCPT, an NGO, through its director has alleged that on 16.6.2008, Sahebrao Jondhale, a Dalit was burnt to death by upper castes. On 17.6.2008, the police detained two Dalits illegally, whereas the relatives of deceased alleged that he was burnt by upper castes being jealous of his prosperity. It wants judicial inquiry; arrest of accused and compensation for the next of kin of the deceased.

The Commission on 1.7.2008 directed to issue notice to SP, Hingoli, Maharashtra, calling for a report, within four weeks.

In pursuance to that SP, Hingoli sent his report dated 4.8.2008, a copy of which has also been forwarded by DIG, PCR/HR, Mumbai. The said report reveals that on 17.6.08 Smt. Satwasila informed the police at Hatta PS that on 16.6.08 her husband left the house with the jeep but did not return on that day. On the information of her nephew she went to the place of incident and found the dead body of her husband in burnt condition on driving seat of the jeep. On her report case no. 103/2008 u/s 302/201/435 IPC was registered against unknown accused persons. During investigation on the statement of complainant laying suspicion on Prahlad Namdev Thorat & Ramamunjaji Danyate, they were arrested. The permission for their Narco Test was granted by the court. The case is now being investigated by DSP, CID, Aurangabad Division.

It is also mentioned that no one has alleged that the deceased was killed by the upper castes. The suspected persons belong to SC community. A compensation of Rs 2 Lakhs has been granted by the Govt. of Maharashtra to the legal heirs of the deceased.

A perusal of above report transpires that the matter is being investigated by CID; the arrested persons were duly produced before the court and the compensation has been granted to the legal heirs of deceased. No further action is called for. The case is closed.

This is for your information.

Yours faithfully,

D. Lawant

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR(LAW)