## NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (LAW DIVISION)

MANAV ADHIKAR BHAWAN, BLOCK-C, G.P.O. COMPLEX, INA, NEW DELHI- 110023

Dated 05/01/2015

Case No. 80/8/8/2011-AD

To → SUHAS CHAKMA, DIRECTOR

NATIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR PREVENTION OF TORTURE, C-3/441-C, JANAKPURI, WEST DELHI, DELHI. 2 1 JAN 2015

Sir/Madam,

With reference to your complaint dated 29/06/2011, I am directed to say that the matter was considered by the Commission on 27/11/2014. The Commission has made the following directions.

## LINKED WITH CASE NO.49/8/2011-PCD/DB-I

The Commission received an intimation dated 11.5.2011 from District Magistrate, Mandi regarding the death of Kishori Lal, s/o Shrì Saran Singh in the custody of police at Police Station Jogindernagar, District Mandi. According to the intimation, Kishori Lal committed suicide inside the toilet of lock up by hanging himself at around 5.00 AM on the same day. Complaints also were received regarding the same incident from Shri Suhas Chakma, Shri Imtiyaz Khan and Shri Upender Kumar. The Commission took cognizance of the case and called for reports from the concerned authorities which have been received.

The Commission has considered the inquest report, post-mortem report, viscera report and the magisterial enquiry report.

The learned Magistrate who conducted the magisterial inquiry came to the conclusion that Kishori Lal died in police custody and that there was negligence and omission on the part of the police personnel named in the report. The Magistrate also recommended payment of compensation of Rs. 3,00,000/- to the next of kin of the deceased.

The SSP, Mandi through his letter dated 20.9.2011 informed the Commission that a Constable was suspended for negligence and a departmental inquiry was ordered against the ASI and four other police personnel and charge-sheets were issued to them on 14.9.2011. Today Shri Sandeep Kadam Vasant, Deputy Commissioner, Mandi has submitted a report to the Commission during the Open Hearing enclosing letter dated 27.11.2014 of the Superintendent of Police, Mandi addressed to the Director General of Police, Himachal Pradesh. As per the report of the Superintendent of Police, Mandi, the Himachal Pradesh Government had sanctioned Rs.3,00,000/- in the month of April, 2012 in favour of wife and children of deceased Kishori Lal and that the amount has been given to them.

In the light of above report, no further action is called for. The case is closed.

This is for your information.

Yours faithfully,

DEPUTY REGISTRAR(LAW)