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Case No. <u>142/3/5/2011</u> NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS OMMISSION (LAWDIVISION)

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Dated

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY GOVT. OF ASSAM, GUWAHATI

2 0 SEP 2013

Sub : Complaint from

TEJANG CHAKMA, COMPLAINTS COORDINATOR NATIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR PREVENTION OF TORTURE, C-3/441-C JANAKPURI, WEST DELHI DELHI 110058

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to say that the matter was considered by the Commission on 12/09/2013 and the Commission has directed as follows.

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

The Commission' has received a complaint that a physically challenged youth named Xukiye Yepatha, who was undergoing treatment at a hospital in Dibrugarh, was picked up by policemen on 7/6/11, at the request of an officer of the Assam Rifles, and detained illegally till 8/6/11.

Vide proceedings dated 15/2/13, the Commission asked the Government of Assam to show-cause why it should not recommend relief to the victim Xukiye Yepatha. The Commission also asked the Government of Assam to take appropriate action against the policemen concerned, who flouted the law in illegally detaining a person against whom there was no charge. Vide proceedings dated 27/5/13, a reminder was issued calling for the requisite reply and an action taken report against the policemen concerned.

The Commission has received a communication dated 5/7/13 from the Joint Secretary, Home and Political Deptt., Dispur enclosing a report dated 21/6/13 reiterating the facts.

The Commission vide proceedings dated 15/2/13 had observed that the victim is entitled to reparations for the barbaric treatment that he was meted out, in being removed from the care of the hospital three days after a major operation, and being subjected to interrogation while in illegal detention for a day. The reply submitted by the State Government does not inspire confidence. The Commission therefore recommends to the Chief Secretary, Government of Assam to make payment of Rupees 20,000/- as monetary compensation to be paid to the victim Xukiye Yepatha. The Chief Secretary, Government of Assam is again reminded to send a report on action taken against the policemen concerned. The proof of payment and the response is to be submitted within 6 weeks.

It is therefore, requested that the compliance report in the matter be sent to the Commission latest by 02/11/2013, so that the same could be placed before the Commission.

Yours faithfully, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR (LAW)

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