

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
(LAW DIVISION)
FARIDKOT HOUSE
COPERNICUS MARG, NEW DELHI - 110 001

Dated 09/10/2012

Case No. 17/1/14/2011-AD

17 OCT 2012

To

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SUHAS CHAKMA, DIRECTOR
NATIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR PREVENTION OF TORTURE,
C-3/44 1-C, JANAKPURI,
WEST DELHI, DELHI.
(Pin Code -110058)

Sir/Madam,

With reference to your complaint dated 23/12/2010, I am directed to say that the matter was considered by the Commission on 01/10/2012. The Commission has made the following directions.

Undertrial prisoner Yaddu Harsha Vardhan was lodged in the Central prison, Cerlapalli, Andhra Pradesh. As per the information received from the Superintendent of Jail, on 22.12.10 at about 1.00 PM, the prisoner jumped from the terrace of the second floor of Bramhaputhra block and suffered multiple injuries and he succumbed to the injuries on the same day.

After inquiry, the Commission found that the incident reflected gross negligence on the part of the jail officials, which allowed the prisoner to climb up the terrace and commit suicide by jumping from there. Through its proceedings dated 24.3.12 the Commission recommended to the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh to pay compensation of Rs. 1,00,000/- to the next of kin of the deceased prisoner.

The deceased is survived only by two brothers. Rs. 50,000/- out of recommended compensation was paid to one of the brothers earlier. Now the State Government has informed the Commission that the remaining amount of Rs. 50,000/- has been paid to the other brother also. Proof of payment has also been forwarded. The recommendation made by the Commission having been carried out by the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, the case is closed.

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This is for your information.

Yours faithfully,


ASSISTANT REGISTRAR(LAW)