

National Human Rights Commission

Diary No	205272/CR/2018	Case / File No	1575/34/5/2018-JCD
Victim Name	GOVARDHAN PUJHAR S/O JARMAN PUJHAR	Registration Date	27/11/2018

Action List (Click on Action given in blue color to view details)

Action No.	Action	Authority	Action Date	Due Date	Completion Date
3	Relief granted [Compensation, Disciplinary & Prosecution]	THE CHIEF SECRETARY GOVERNMENT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI	24/01/2020	21/03/2020	
2	Show Cause Notice Issued (Comments)	THE CHIEF SECRETARY GOVT. OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI	16/09/2019	10/11/2019	16/12/2019
1	Sent to DG(I), NHRC	DUMKA, JHARKHAND	28/01/2019	22/03/2019	29/08/2019

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Action Date	24/01/2020	Due Date	21/03/2020	Completion Date	
Authority	THE CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT OF JHARKHAND, RANCHI				
Proceeding	<p>Vide previous proceedings dated 16.9.2019, the Commission observed and directed as under:-</p> <p>“In the present case, the Commission has received an intimation from the Superintendent, Central Jail, Dumka, Jharkhand regarding custodial death of a prisoner, Govardhan Pujhar S/o Jarman Pujhar on 21.11.2018.</p> <p>Vide previous proceedings dated 28.1.2019, the DG(I) was directed to submit the report in the matter.</p> <p>Pursuant to the directions of the Commission, a report dated 27.8.19 has been submitted by the Investigation Division in which it is stated that the deceased had entered the jail on 18.11.18. On 21.11.18 his body was found hanging in a half constructed building inside the jail. The deceased committed suicide in the side of the under construction prison hospital by using a portion of lungi as rope. The prison Superintendent, in his report, has submitted that departmental action has been taken against the delinquents in the matter for their negligence/carelessness in discharge of duties. The District administration has granted relief to the wife of deceased under Social Welfare Scheme. The Medical Board has opined that the cause of death of deceased was asphyxia due to hanging. A magisterial enquiry into the matter was conducted by the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Dumka. He has found the prison authorities blameworthy for this case of death in custody. He has held that the inmate should not have access in the half constructed building. There was no guard and the inmate entered the building and committed suicide. Had there been security in the said building, the incident could have been averted.</p> <p>It is an admitted fact that the deceased had committed suicide within jail premises and disciplinary action has been taken against the concerned officers/officials for their negligence/carelessness in discharge of their duties. It is the duty of the State Govt. to provide adequate security to the prison under their custody. In the present case the concerned officers/officials have failed to discharge their duties.</p> <p>In the opinion of the Commission a prima facie case of violation of human rights of the deceased person Govardhan Pujhar is made out and the State Govt. is vicariously liable to provide monetary compensation to the next of the kin of the deceased.</p> <p>Issue notice u/s 18 (a) (i) of the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993, to the Government of Jharkhand, through its Chief Secretary, to show cause as to why the Commission should recommend monetary relief for the next of kin of the deceased. “</p> <p>No reply to the Show Cause Notice has been submitted by the State Govt. It is presumed that the State Govt. has nothing to say in the matter.</p>				

In the above circumstances, the Commission is of the opinion that a case of violation of human rights of the deceased person Govardhan Pujhar is made out and the State Government is vicariously liable to pay monetary compensation to the next of Kin of deceased .

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case, the Commission recommends to the Government of Jharkhand through its Chief Secretary, to pay compensation of Rs. 2 lakhs (2.00.000/-) to the next of kin of the deceased. The Chief Secretary, Government of Jharkhand is directed to submit compliance report along with proof of payment within six weeks.

Secondary Action List

Secondary Action No	Secondary Action	Secondary Action Date	Secondary Action Due Date	Secondary Completion Date
1	Grant of Compensation	24/01/2020	21/03/2020	

Complaint

Diary No	205272/CR/2018	Section	M-1
Language	HINDI	Mode	E-MAIL
Received Date	26/11/2018	Complaint Date	21/11/2018
Gist	An intimation about death in judicial custody.		

Victim

Victim Name	GOVARDHAN PUJHAR S/O JARMAN PUJHAR	Gender	Male
Religion	Unknown	Cast	Unknown
Address	GAADI JIRULIA, PS- JAMA		
District	DUMKA	State	JHARKHAND

Complainant

Name	SUPERINTENDENT		
Address	CENTRAL JAIL, DUMKA		
District	DUMKA	State	JHARKHAND (0)

Incident

Incident Place	CENTRAL JAIL, DUMKA, JHARKHAND	Incident Date	21/11/2018
Incident Category	CUSTODIAL DEATH (Judicial)		
Incident District	DUMKA	Incident State	JHARKHAND
Incident Details			

Cause List

List No	Case / File No	Listing Date	Category
2	1575/34/5/2018-JCD	31/12/2019	APPEARANCE
1	1575/34/5/2018-jed	05/09/2019	APPEARANCE

National Human Rights Commission

Diary No : 1974/IN/2019 is attached with Case / File No : 1575/34/5/2018-JCD

Main Case / File No : 1575/34/5/2018-JCD

Linked Diary No : 1974/IN/2019

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Action

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Action Date	28/01/2019	Due Date	22/03/2019	Completion Date	
Authority	, DUMKA, JHARKHAND				
Proceeding	<p>The Commission has received an intimation from the Superintendent, Central Jail, Dumka, Jharkhand regarding custodial death of a prisoner, Govardhan Pujhar S/o Jarman Pujhar, on 21.11.2018.</p> <p>The Jharkhand State Human Rights Commission have informed via an email dated 28.12.2018, that they have not taken cognizance of this case.</p> <p>DIG (I) is requested to collect requisite reports from the concerned authorities, examine them and submit report within six weeks.</p>				

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District	DUMKA	State	JHARKHAND

[Complainant](#)

Complainant Details of Main Case			
Name	SUPERINTENDENT		
Mobile		Email	
Address	CENTRAL JAIL, DUMKA		
District	DUMKA	State	JHARKHAND (0)
Complainant Details of Linked Diary			
Name	Dhana Kumar		
Mobile	9870564190	Email	campaignagainsttorture.india@gmail.com
Address	C-3/441, Third Floor, Janakpuri		
District	KAMRUP	State	DELHI (110058)

[Incident](#)

Incident Place	CENTRAL JAIL, DUMKA, JHARKHAND	Incident Date	21/11/2018
Incident Category	CUSTODIAL DEATH (Judicial)		
Incident District	DUMKA	Incident State	JHARKHAND
Incident Details			

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