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Concluded and No Further Action Required(CLD) - 7416/22/5/2020-ad

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Case No.- 7416/22/5/2020-ad

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (LAW DIVISION) * * *

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To,

Date : 25/03/2022

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Subject: Concluded and No Further Action Required(CLD) -7416/22/5/2020-ad.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to your complaint/intimation dated 17/10/2020. I am directed to say that the matter was considered by the Commission on 25/03/2022. The Commission has made the following directions:

The complainant Dhana Kumar, Coordinator, Campaign Against Torture, C-3/441, Third Floor, Janakpuri, New Delhi has alleged custodial death of an under-trial prisoner identified as J. Sureshraja (32 years) r/o Gandhipuram City, Dindigul District, Tamilnadu, under suspicious circumstances in the custody of Coimbatore Central Jail under Coimbatore district of Tamil Nadu on 14 October 2020. He has requested judicial inquiry into the matter and appropriate compensation to the next of kin of the deceased.

Vide proceedings dated 28.09.2021 Commission issued show cause notice observing as under:

"The Commission has considered all the material placed on record. Analysis of the records shows that the deceased remained in prison for only four days i.e. from 11 to 14th Oct, 2020. He committed suicide during day time, which shows lack of supervision and vigil by the jail staff/prison personnel. The state is vicariously liable for the negligence on the part of the jail officials, who were deployed for the security of the deceased. Further, the jail authorities also did not report the JCD incident as mandated by the Commission. In these circumstances, let a notice u/s 18 of the PHR Act, 1993 be issued to the Govt.

Tamilnadu through its Chief Secretary requiring it to show cause why an amount of Rs. 3,00,000/-(Rupees Three Lakh Only) as suitable compensation be not recommended to be paid to the NoK of the deceased. The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Tamilnadu shall respond to the show cause notice within six weeks."

Pursuant to the directions of the Commission, Special Secretary, Public(Law & Order-A) Dept., Secretariat, Chennai vide communication dated 22.10.2021 has informed that recommendation of NHRC for sanctioning a financial relief of Rs. 3,00,000/- to the NoK of the deceased is under consideration of the government.

Pursuant to the direction of the Commission and reminder dated 04.01.2022 the Secretary, Public (L&O) Dept, Chennai vide communication dated 24.01.2022 submits that monetary relief of Rs. 3,00,000/- has been disbursed to the NOK of deceased J. Sureshraja son's Tr. Vincent Jai Sanjay aged 13 years and daughter Selvi. Savitha Angel aged 12 years through the District Collector, Coimbatore District by way of fixed deposit in the Indian Bank, Kodaikanal Branch and Bank of India, Kodaikanal Branch respectively. The proof of factum for the above disbursement is enclosed with the report.

The Commission has considered the report which reveals that monetary relief of Rs. 3,00,000/- has been disbursed to the NOK of deceased J. Sureshraja son's Tr. Vincent Jai Sanjay aged 13 years and daughter Selvi. Savitha Angel aged 12 years by way of fixed deposit. In view of such facts, no further action is required. The case is closed.

This is for your information.

Your's faithfully

Sd/-

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