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National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (A Constitutional Body set up under Art. 338A of the Constitution of India)

Case File No.: NCST-APCR0OTH(DL)/1/2021-APCR

Dated: 11.01.2022

To,

The Commissioner of Police,

Delhi Police,

Delhi Police Headquarters,

Jai Singh Road,

New Delhi - 110 001.

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Subject: Representation of Smt. Satto Devi, W/o late Shri R.S. Meena, Paharganj, Delhi regarding atrocity against ST family by the Police officials of Paharganj Police Station and Central District of Delhi - action under Atrocity Act - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the Proceedings of the Sitting held on 14.12.2021 under the Chairmanship of Shri Ananta Nayak, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes on the above mentioned matter for necessary action and submission of compliance report to this Commission within 20 days positively for placing the same before the Hon'ble Member, NCST.

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(Encl: as above)

Yours faithfully.

(S.P. Meena)
Deputy Director

Copy to.

Smt. Satto Devi W/o late Shri R.S. Meena, R/o H. No. 5346, Laddu Ghati, Paharganj, New Delhi – 110 055

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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES

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PROCEEDINGS OF SITTING HELD ON 14.12.2021 CHAIRED BY SHRI ANANTA NAYAK, HON'BLE MEMBER, NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES (NCST) IN THE CASE OF SMT. SATTO DEVI, W/O LATE SHRI R.S. MEENA, PAHARGANJ, DELHI REGARDING ATROCITY AGAINST ST FAMILY BY THE POLICE OFFICIALS OF PAHARGANJ, NEW DELHI.

Date of Sitting: 14.12.2021

List of officers present in sitting is Annexed.

The petitioner Smt. Satto Devi, W/o late Shri R.S. Meena, Paharganj, Delhi vide her representation dated 31.08.2021 has submitted grievances of atrocity against ST family by the Police officials of Paharganj Police Station and Central District of Delhi Police. She has demanded for criminal action against the alleged Police officials under Atrocity Act.

- 2. A sitting was held on 14.12.2021. In sitting, on behalf of the Commissioner of Police, Delhi Police, the senior Officers Additional Commissioner of Police, Delhi Police, ADCP 1/Central and Assistant Commissioner of Police, Paharganj, Delhi Police were appeared. Shri M.L. Meena, son of complainant (Smt. Satto Devi) was also present.
- At the outset, the petitioner (Shri M.L. Meena) has submitted grievances of Police atrocity and non action against the accused by the Police officials. He was stated that on 14.08.2021, some members of local anti social elements persons who are running satta (illegal betting) with the help of local Police Officials had assaulted, brutally beaten and threaten to kill to her younger son. The alleged persons are also opened fire at her family members due to which the family members were got injury marks. The alleged persons have also publically abused by caste words. In this regard, on 14.08.2021, her younger son had registered a Police complaint against accused persons to the local Police Station, Paharganj, New Delhi. But, no FIR was registered and no action was taken against the accused by the concerned Police officials under relevant sections of IPC Act as well sections of SCs/STs (PoA) Act, 1989. On other hand, based on the complaints from the accused person's side the Police officials from Paharganj Police Station had registered a false and illegal FIR No. 315/2021 against the ST family members and has also forcefully detained the family members of the ST family (complainant) at Police Station where the Police officials brutally beaten the petitioner's younger son and other family members. Thus, the Police has not taken any action against the accused. Being aggrieved she made a complaint before the higher officers of the Delhi Police as well as Home Ministry and other authorities. No action was taken against the accused by the Police officials.

He further, submitted that previously in the year 2020, the said accused persons (anti social elements) had physically assaulted, publically abused on caste ground against members of the ST family. In this regard, a Police complaint was made and the Police officials of Paharganj Police Station, Delhi Police did not take any action on the complaint and no action was taken against the accused.

4. The Additional Commissioner of Police, Delhi Police has first apologized about delay in submission of the report in the case. Then she submitted a report in the matter. However, an advisory has been issued to all the concerned Police officers to submit the report in time. She has further briefed about the case. She stated that on 14.08.2021, the Paharganj Police station had got a complaint of scuffle in between two groups (petitioner and members involved in illegal activities of Satta). The Police registered a FIR and investigation was carried on.



Both side persons involved in the case were arrested and a charge sheet along with all relevant documents were filed before the Hon'ble Court. Presently matter is sub-judice. Further, the allegation of caste abuse by the accused persons against the ST family could not be substantiated. During the investigation, the lapses from the Police side regarding not handling of illegal activities i.e. running Satta at Paharganj Police Station Area were observed. Accordingly, the SHO, Paharganj have been transferred and also a Departmental inquiry is being conducted. Services of one constable has been terminated. In addition, the DCP, Central, Delhi Police was transferred.

Regarding, the petitioner's further allegation about not Police action on his previous complaint dated 02.08.2020 for physical assault, detention of ST family, caste abuse against the accused persons (Satta persons) made before the Paharganj Police Station, the Additional Commissioner of Police was stated that no such complaint was received by the Police. However, the Police will re-investigate the matter.

- 5. After detailed discussion, the Commission has observed that the Police has not taken affirmative action to protect the interest of ST family. The petitioner had repeatedly filed a Police complaint against the illegal activities and subsequently physical assault, caste abuse and threatening words by the accused persons. But, there was ill-treatment and humiliation against the ST family. Accordingly, the case needs to be re-investigated by the Delhi Police based on the petitioner's various complaint. The Commission recommends following:
 - The Delhi Police will re-investigate the complaint dated 02.08.2020 filed by the
 petitioner against the running Satta, physical assault and caste abuse and will submit
 a report along with all relevant documents to the Commission.
 - The petitioner will submit all relevant documents pertaining to complaint dated 02.08.2020 and 14.08.2021 to substantiate his grievances within 15 days.
 - The next date of sitting is fixed on 20.01.2022.
 - The petitioner should submit a letter mentioning that Shri M.N. Meena (petitioner's son) would be representing on behalf of her for the proceedings.
 - The Delhi Police will submit an action taken report within 20 days to this Commission.

(ANANTA NAYAK)

MEMBER

National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

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List of participants

Officers from Delhi Police.

- Smt. Suman Goyal, Additional Commissioner of Police
- 2. Shri Rohit Meena, ADCP-1/Central
- 3. Shri Digvijay Singh, ACP, Paharganj.

Petitioner

Shri M. L. Meena.