

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

Dated 10/02/2009

Case No. 1469/12/49/07-08

12 FEB 2009

To

SUHAS CHAKMA DIRECTOR
NATIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR PREVENTION OF
TORTURE, C-3/441-6, JANAKPURI
WEST DELHI, DELHI.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to your complaint dated 27/08/2007, I am directed to say that the matter was considered by the Commission on 30/01/2009. The Commission has made the following directions.

Suhas Chakma, Director, National Campaign for Prevention of Torture, New Delhi, on 27-8-2007, sent a complaint to the Commission with the submission that on 13-7-2007, Dalit farmer Khilan Singh Ahirwar was tortured and burnt alive by four musclemen of Yadav community in village-Dhurhara in Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh. Khilan Singh was living in a small hut on a piece of land which was allotted to him under a government scheme in the year 2002. The attackers claimed ownership of the land and tried to forcibly grab the land from the deceased. The complainant has requested judicial enquiry into the matter, action against the accused persons and interim compensation of Rs. 5.00 lakh.

The Commission took cognizance on 3-9-2007 and directed thus:-

"Issue notice to SSP, Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh, calling for report within 4 weeks".

Pursuant to the directions of the Commission, when no response submitted, Conditional Summons were issued to SSP, Vidisha on 7-12-2008.

Pursuant to the directions of the Commission, SP, Vidisha, vide communication dated 30-12-2008, submitted that Smt. Balabai W/o Khilan Singh Ahirwar resident of Uhar Kotra submitted a complaint before the PS-Gyaraspur, about the murder of her husband by Rajendra, Mahendra, Parasram and Ram Singh by sprinkling kerosene oil over his body and set him on fire. Consequently, a case was registered at Crime No. 134/07 u/s 307 IPC and 3 (2) (5) SC/ST Act. During treatment, the deceased Khilan Singh died. The case was converted to 302 IPC. During investigation, the allegations leveled by the complainant against accused persons were found correct. The accused persons were arrested and charge-sheet was submitted on 1-9-2007. This matter is pending before the court concerned.

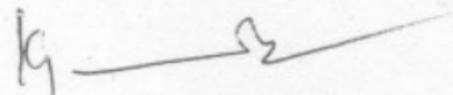
It has been further submitted that District Coordinator, Tribal Welfare Department, Vidisha has disbursed Rs. 1.50 lakh to wife of the deceased on 19-8-2007.

Since the wife of the deceased has been given Rs. 1.50 lakh as compensation money and the matter of committing murder is pending before the court, further intervention of the Commission is not called for.

The case is closed.

This is for your information.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized initial 'K' followed by a horizontal line that ends in a small flourish.

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR(LAW)

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