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To
The Chief Secretary
Govt. of Odisha, Secretariat,
Bhubaneswar- 751001

Sub- Recommendations of the Inquiry Committee visit

Sir,

I am directed to state that the National Commission for Women (NCW) had taken suo-motu cognizance and had constituted an Inquiry Committee under Section 8(1), read with Section 10(1) and (4) of the NCW Act, 1990 to inquire into the media report titled 'Odisha: woman raped at gunpoint' at Samantrapur area, Odisha'.

After examining into the facts and circumstances of the present case, the Commission recommends the following:-

Key Recommendations:

1. Ensure vigil of Habitual Offenders : It is surprising that despite many cases involving serious crimes against him, how the accused, who happens to be a seasoned criminal is able to commit such a heinous crime and that too in the capital city of the state.

The state government is therefore required to immediately issue instructions to the city police to prepare a list of all veteran criminals & habitual offenders and to keep a check on their activities of they happen to be out on bail.

2. Night time Patrolling in all areas : The accused should have been expelled from society for committing such an outrageous act, has there been strict police patrolling in the area, creating a fear of retribution among prospective offenders. Absence of such fear definitely goes a long way in encouraging habitual offenders.

The state government is therefore asked to immediately issue instructions to the city police to ensure strict night time patrolling in all areas and to fix clear liabilities/responsibilities for the officers incharge in event of such incidents.

3. Strict regulation of Narcotics substances and Alcohol through a Special Task Force (STF) : Consumption of such substances are often a motivating factor behind crimes against women and in particular sexual offences. Hence strict regulation is recommended.

The state government is therefore asked to immediately issue instructions to the city police to constitute a Special Task Force to ensure strict prohibition on sale and distribution of narcotic substances and un-licensed sale of liquor across the city.

4. Compensation: Taking into account the seriousness of the offence and the hardship that the victim is undergoing on account of it, the State Government is requested to give proper compensation to the victim.. The authorities are required to immediately expedite the release of the compensation as the victim has been left jobless after the incident considering she is the sole bread earner of her family.

5. Appointment of a Special Public Prosecutor : The state government is requested to appoint a special public prosecutor with good reputation for speedy trial of the case in court.

6. Trial of the Case in a Fast Track Court : The state government must take into view the fact that only swift and exemplary punishment in such heinous cases can help in deterring occurrence of similar cases in future. The state government is hereby requested to ensure that the case is put to trial in a fast track court and trial is completed as soon as possible.

I am directed to convey the recommendations of the Inquiry Committee and to request that the State Government is requested to take appropriate action in the matter and kindly intimate the Commission about action taken by an early date.

Yours sincerely,



(Raj Singh)
Deputy Secretary