

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (LAW DIVISION)

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NOTICE

Case No. 2994/24/0/2020

THE CHIEF SECRETARY GOVERNMENT OF UTTAR PRADESH, LUCKNOW . 226001

WHEREAS the complaint/intimation dated 27/01/2020 received from PRIYANKA GANDHI VADRA, GEN. SECRETARY AND OTHERS in respect of DEMONSTRATORS AND GENERAL PUBLIC was placed before the Commission on 29/01/2020.

AND WHEREAS upon perusing the complaint the Commission has passed the following order.

Smt. Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, General Secretary, All India Congress Committee along with other representatives of the Indian National Congress visited the office of the Commission personally on 27.01.2020 and submitted a complaint requesting an enquiry into the alleged unlawful and brutal conduct of the Uttar Pradesh Police and abject failure of the Uttar Pradesh State Government in upholding the rule of law during the course of public demonstrations against the Citizenship Amendment Act, 2019 and the National Register of Citizens.

It is mentioned in the communication that the state of Uttar Pradesh has been at the centre of the movement against the alleged unconstitutional premise and implementation of Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 and the National Register of Citizens (NRC). It is stated that the newspaper reports, accounts from the party workers, social activists, witnesses on the ground and the personal interaction of the party leaders with the families of the affected persons have revealed full extent of police brutality committed upon the persons protesting against these laws.

The National Human Rights Commission has been requested to intervene into the matter as the complicity of the Government of Uttar Pradesh in willful repression and brutalisation of the people protesting peacefully amounts to violation of human rights and demands full and wright attention of the National Human Rights Commission.

The Commission has examined the contents of the complaint and its enclosures. The Annexures consisting images, media reports, copies of FIRs registered by the police and other documents have been enclosed in support of the allegations levelled in the complaint. It is seen that the video CDs though mentioned, are not part of the annexure.

The Commission finds it appropriate to direct issuance of notices to the Chief Secretary and the Director General of Police, Uttar Pradesh calling for a detailed and specific report within 06 weeks on the allegations mentioned in the complaint. Looking into the gravity and sensitivity of the matter, the Commission expects that the requisite report shall be sent by the authorities within the stipulated time, without any delay. The complaint and its annexures being voluminous, to be forwarded to the authorities, through e-mail.

complaints alleging received some nas the Commission this, Apart highhandedness and excessive use of force by the police in Lucknow and Kanpur districts of Uttar Pradesh during protests by the general public against CAA and NRC, etc. Four such complaints have been placed before the Commission today which are registered vide Case 2511/24/48/2020 (complainant 2035/24/48/2020 (complainant Shri Henri Tiphagne), Nos. Shri Azim Khan). 2464/24/48/2020 (complainant Shri Azim Khan) and 2213/24/48/2020 (complainant Shri Sohil Akhiar Ansari). The Registry is directed to forward the complaints received in these cases to the Director General of Police, Uttar Pradesh calling for a report in these matters along with the report in the instant case i.e. 2994/24/0/2020.

Once the requisite reports in all the matters registered on this subject are received from the State authorities, the matter shall be placed before the Full Bench of the Commission for consideration and further directions.

NOW THEREFORE TAKE NOTICE that you are required to submit the requisite information / Report within 6 weeks from the date of receipt of this notice.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in default the Commission may proceed to take such action as it deems proper.

Given under my hand and seal of the Commission, this the day of 29 January 2020.



Encl: Copy of the complaint.

Note --> 1. The information / report shall be furnished only by the authority which is called upon to do so.

2. Please quote the Case No. referred above in all future correspondence / reports.

CC to:

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