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Case No. Orissa/ST-3/2006-Atrocity, dtd. 14. 10.08.

Sub:

Alleged Police excess on STs of Hariharpur, Kuarmunda

Block, District Sundargarh(Orissa).

Sir,

With reference to the letter and subject cited above, it is to intimate that the petition with same allegation was earlier entrusted to Sri J.M.Pradhan, OPS, the then Dy.S.P. Sundargarh for enquiry. During enquiry it came to light that on 24.3.2006 at about 10 a.m. the supporters of Anchalik Surakshya Committee, Kuarmunda, supported by the local villagers gathered near village Chadri Haripur under the leadership of Sri George Tirkey, Nimain Mohanty, Gajendra Sahu, Bijay Oram and others They started demonstration in front of Chadribaripur School situated by the side of NH_23 with the active and direct winstigation of Sri George Tirkey, Ex-M.L.A. Biramitrapur A/C and other leaders. The agitators more than 250 armed with deadly weapons such as Farsa, Bhujali, Iron rod, lathi, Bows and arrows forcibly entered into five Sponge Iron Factories by breaking open the main gates one after another and brutally assaulted the Officers and workers inside the Factories. They damaged the Offices of the Plants, Mechinaries including Vehicles parked inside the Factories. They looted away cash, Mobile Phones, Wrist Watches at the point of weapons by threatening the Officers and workers inside Factory. About 30 employees of different Plants were injured seriously. In this connection Biramitrapur PS Case No. 56/06, 57/08, 58/06, 59/06, 60/06, 61/06, 62/06, 63/06 & 64/06 were registered, 117 accused persons were arrested in the above noted cases from the spot. As primafacie evidence could be established the accused persons were forwarded to the court within 24 hours of their arrest. When the arrest Memo and other paers were prepared the age, and address of the accused persons were mentioned as disclosed by the accused persons. Since the verification of such large number of accused persons could not be completed within 24 hours, a report was submitted to S.D.J.M.

Panposh to treat them as unidentified till it was established completely. All the cases have been charge sheeted and cases are subjudice in the court of law.

As regards the arrest of 8 minor accused persons, it is to mention here that, they were produced before Chief Medical Officer, R.G.Pur, Burkela on the recommendation of C.J.M. and Principal Juvenile Justice Board, Rourkela for ossification test to determine their age. When 7 persons were found to be minor and below 18 years of age they were shifted to Juvenile Justice Board, Rourkela by the order of the Hon'ble Court.

The allegation of Police over action, implecating the adivasi People in false cases is false and baseless

This is for favour of kind information

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent of Police, Sundargarh.

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