BIHAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

9, Bailey Road, Patna

File No. BHRC/Comp. 5425/2014

(Suo Motu Cognizance)

Subject: A lady engineer was refused passport for not paying bribe to police for making passport

29.12.2014

Prabhat Khabar, a Hindi daily, dated 29.12.2014 reports that a lady was refused passport as she had not paid bribe to the police to get a favourable report. Under the practice, the passport officer sends the application to the police for verification of the antecedents of the applicant. According to the story in the newspaper, the applicant did not pay money as was demanded and therefore in the report submitted to the passport officer it was falsely reported that the applicant had served a sentence of two years.

A notice be issued to SP, East Champaran.

The order be communicated to him by fax so that report is received by next Monday.

Newspaper cutting be sent along with the order.

(Justice Bilal Nazki)
Chairperson