BIHAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

9, Bailey Road, Patna File No. BHRC/Comp.2024/15

(Suo Moto Cognizance)

Subject: Thrashing of a girl after tying with a pole.

Case of: Madhepura Distt.

BHRC takes **Suo Moto** cognizance of news item published in Hindi daily "Hindusthan" today captioned " बेट्री चुराने के आरोप में युवती को खंभे से बांधा " relating to an incident dated 19th May,2015 in Madhepura. According to the report people connected with owner of a mobile tower, situated approx 200 meters only from Sadar Police Station, Madhepur, caught hold of the girl, tied her to a pole and thrashed /humiliated her in full public view. The girl was charged with theft of a battery from the mobile tower. According to the report the SHO feigned ignorance about the incident when contacted by the reporter.

2. SP, Madhepura will apprise the Commission about full facts of the case and actions taken thereof by 29th May (Friday), 2015 when the case is listed next.

3. Copy of the order along with news paper clipping be faxed to (i) SP, Madhepura for necessary action and to (ii) DIG, Kosi Range, Saharsa for information.

Sd/... (Neelmani) Member

Date: 20.5.2015