## **BIHAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

9, Bailey Road, Patna File No. BHRC/Comp.4110/15

(Suo Motu Cognizance)

Subject: Acid attack victims of Nawada district.

Case of : Md. Gyas Khan, Pachrukhi Bazar, PS. Akbarpur, Nawada.

BHRC had taken **Suo Motu** cognizance of news paper report dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2015 regarding two acid attack victims struggling for life at PMCH. The incident took place in Pachrukhi Bazar under Akbarpur PS of Nawada distt. in the night of 13/14<sup>th</sup> September. According to the report filed by **SP**, **Nawada**, Md. Ehsan & Md. Belal, both neighbours of Md. Gyas Khan, threw acid on his elder daughter badly injuring her. Main accused Md. Ehsan was **arrested** on 17<sup>th</sup> Sept and sent to jail. Frantic efforts were on for arrest of his cousin Md. Belal. **SP**, has assured to file a Charge-Sheet soon and request the **Court for Speedy Trial. SP**, will inform about status of the case by 15<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2015.

2. Superintendent, PMCH, Patna has informed (letter no. 16455 dt. 22.09.2015) that Soni Praveen (15yrs), D/o Md. Gyas Khan, suffering from 42 % Acid burn injury was admitted in the Plastic Surgery Emergency (ICU of Buran ward) and all medicines were provided by the hospital administration.

3. According to information gathered from victim's father Md. Gyas Khan, on his mob, his daughter has been referred to Delhi for specialised treatment and that the District Legal Services Authority, Nawada has provided a cheque of Rs. One Lakh to him for his elder daughter (victim) and are in the process of providing another Rs. one Lakh for his younger (victim) daughter. 4. The State of Bihar has formulated Victim Compensation Scheme, 2014 and has notified the same on 24.03.2014 (No. L.G-6-01/2011-151/46/leg). The scheme provides for payment of Rs. 3 lakhs to the Acid attacks victim as after – care and rehabilitation measure. The payment has to be made by the District Legal Services Authority and according Para "5" of the notification. <u>Quote</u> "Provided that to the victim of the acid attack Rs. 1,00,000/- (one lac rupees) shall be paid to the victim within fifteen days of the information of occurrence and rest Rs. 2,00,000/- (two lac rupees) shall be paid within the two months from the aforesaid payment".

Health Deptt. Govt of Bihar has also issued a fresh resolution vide Memo No. 839(14) dated 13.7.2015 where under entire medical expenses including plastic surgery to the acid attack victim will be borne by the State Government from Chief Minister Medical Relief Fund.

4. Principal Secretary, Health Deptt., Govt. of Bihar and Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Nawada will kindly apprise the Commission about status of actions taken in the matter by 30<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2015.

5. A copy of the order be sent to the (i) Principal Secretary, Health Deptt., Govt. of Bihar (ii) Secretary , District Legal Services Authority, Nawada (iii) SP, Nawada for necessary action & (iv) DM, Nawada for information.

A copy of the report from SP, Nawada and Superintendent, PMCH be also enclosed with the order.

6. List on 03<sup>rd</sup> Nov, 2015.

Sd/-(Neelmani) Member

Date: 05.10.2015

**Registrar/Asstt. Registrar**