

BIHAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

9, Bailey Road, Patna

File No. BHRC/Comp. 1499/14

(Suo Motu Cognizance)

Case of Raj Kumar – the victim whose one eye was damaged by a person

20.3.2015

Mr. Uday Chand Prasad Advocate and Mr. Dilip Kr. Kamath, Assistant Director, District Child Protection Unit, Supaul, present on behalf of DM, Supaul.

This matter is with respect to a child Raj Kumar, son of Narayan Sah. He was only 9 years of age when a person completely damaged one of his eyes on the ground that the boy had taken away some fruit from a tree belonging to him. The person who had done so is already dead. The Commission was concerned about the education and health of the child and several meetings were held in this chamber with respondents and counsels.

With the agreement of all, the matter is being disposed of with the following directions:-

- (i) The child would be admitted to Kendriya Vidyalaya, Jawahar Nagar, Sitamarhi after he passes his 5th std. from the school where he is studying now. His admission shall be ensured by the Collector of the district at the relevant time and the school shall follow this order.
- (ii) At present, the boy is reading in class 3. For three years till he passes his 5th, the Collector shall pay a compensation of Rs.2000 per month to the boy. Out of this amount, Rs.1000 per month shall be deposited in a recurring deposit and the amount of Rs.1000 shall be paid to the father of the boy who shall utilize this money exclusively for upkeep and education of the child. The District Education Officer of the district shall monitor the academic and other progress of the child during this period.

- (iii) After two years when the child is admitted to Kendriya Vidyalaya all his expenses shall be borne by the district administration till he passes his 12th examination. The money which will be in his deposit, after two years shall be disbursed in accordance with the directions of the District Education Officer who may consider the wellbeing of the child while ordering disbursement.

The DM shall take up the matter with the concerned authority so that he gets the requisite money and the concerned authorities shall release the money as directed.

The order shall be complied with within four weeks.

(Justice Bilal Nazki)
Chairperson