BIHAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

9, Bailey Road, Patna File No. BHRC/Comp.4708/14

Subject: Grave misconduct and attempt at sexual harassment by an Electrical Superintendant Engineer of Saharsa.

Case of: AEs & JEs of electricity deptt. Saharsa.

Four Assistant Electrical Engineers and fourteen Junior Electrical Engineers, including two lady officers, had complained to the Commission about serious misconduct of Sh. Ramsudin Singh, Superintendant Engineer, Electrical Supply Circle, Saharsa. The allegations included attempt at Sexual harassment, shades of corruption, coercion, misbehaviour and conduct unbecoming of an officer. The Commission asked for a report from CMD, Bihar State Power (Holding) Company, Ltd (BSPCL), Patna. It appears the CMD, BSPCL, Patna directed for a report from his DGM.

2. **DGM**-cum- Superintendent Engineer, Koshi Electric Supply Area, Saharsa has submitted a detailed inquiry report examining all the applicants and their versions have been recorded in a cassette attached with the inquiry report. **The inquiry report has among other things corroborated:-**

(a) Sexual harassment of lady officers by sending filthy SMS and gestures.

(b) Exercising coercion and threat to obtain favourable reports.

(c) Abusing, misbehaviour and showing conduct unbecoming of

an officer.

The inquiry report and the C.D attached with the report is sent to CMD, BSPCL.

3. CMD, BSPCL, Patna will apprise the Commission by 15th June, 2015 (when the matter is listed next) on the following points:-

(i) Administrative action taken against the charged Superintending Engineer.

(ii) Whether a committee mandated under Sexual Harassment of women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013 has been formed and, if so, whether the present matter was taken cognizance of by the Committee.

4. Copy of the order be sent to the C.M.D, Bihar State Power(Holding) Company Ltd. Bihar, Patna for necessary action.

Date: 06.05.2015

Sd/.... (Neelmani) Member

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