BIHAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

9, Bailey Road, Patna

File Nos. BHRC/Comp. 5253/14

(Suo Motu Cognizance)

Case of Trauma of gang-rape victim:

25.8.2015

SP, Patna (West) Mr, Rajeev Mishra present. DM, Patna represented by SDM, Patna, Mr. Saanwar Bharti.

Report has been filed. This is a case pertaining to a minor girl who was allegedly gang-raped. Police has filed charge sheet against the accused and trial is going on. It is also reported that government paid a compensation of Rs.90,000 to the girl.

A rape is a peculiar offence which leaves lifelong scars physically, emotionally, mentally and socially on the victim and all those who are connected to the victim. Time and again courts in the country have impressed upon the governments to have a comprehensive rehabilitation schemes for victims of rape. Paying a compensation of Rs.90,000 is not going to rehabilitate the victim. In an earlier case also the Commission had directed that a comprehensive scheme be framed with the help of experts for total rehabilitation of rape victims and their families.

Everybody would like to have a society where the offence of rape was not committed but that may not be possible but if rape is committed then the state must be ready to rehabilitate the victim and her family socially, psychologically, mentally, emotionally and financially. Commission feels steps needed to be taken, need to be institutionalized.

Fresh notice be issued to government directing the Chief Secretary and DGP to ponder over the issue and examine the possibility of appointing a committee of experts who will frame scheme by which a permanent institution

is created for rehabilitation of such victims and their families. This exercise must be done within a period of six weeks.

This case should be listed with the earlier one.

Both parties be summoned for hearing on 5.10.2015.

Sd/-

(Justice Bilal Nazki) Chairperson

Copies be sent to:-

- (i) Principal Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Patna
- (ii) Chairperson, Women's Commission, Patna

Sd/-(Justice Bilal Nazki) Chairperson