## **BIHAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

9, Bailey Road, Patna File No. BHRC/Comp.3063/15

Sub: Negligence of electricity authorities leading to amputation of hand due to electrocution.

Case of Smt. Tara Devi, Samastipur.

Smt. Tara Devi (35yrs.) wife of late Lakshman Mahto vill. Lelhaul, PS-Singhia, Distt. Samastipur had complained to the Commission that on 05<sup>th</sup> May,2015 while cutting grass near lada farm, she got electrocuted due to a 11 KV live hanging wire. After getting severely burnt she was sent to DMCH from where she was referred to PMCH. Her right arm had to be amputed to save her life. She further informed that the live 11KV line was hanging in the village since long. Despite information to various electricity authorities Electricity Supply was not stopped. Despite her written complaint, no FIR was lodged. Commission asked for action taken reports from MD, North Bihar Power Distribution Company Ltd(NBPDCL), Patna and SP, Samastipur

2. GM(HR/Admin), NBPDCL, his advocate, Addl. SP, Samastipur and the petitioner assisted by her advocate **appeared** in the Commission **today**.

Commission has been informed that following actions have been taken in the matter:-

(a) NBPDCL, Patna has sanctioned Rs.1,00,000(One Lakh) as compensation to the victim and cheque is ready for delivery today.

(b) The victim shall be provided Artificial Limb by "Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India(ALIMCO), G.T Road, Kanpur" and the entire cost shall be borne by NBPDCL.

(c) A criminal case (Singhia PS Case No. 46/16 dt. 22.04.2016 u/s 279/326/336/337/338/IPC) has been registered and shall be investigated for criminal negligence, if any.

3. GM(HR/Admin),NBPDCL has been directed to get an inquiry conducted into the complaint that despite intimation to various electrical authorities, supply of electricity was not scraped in the L.T line and take necessary administrative action if allegations are found true.

4. Commission will be expecting a report from GM(HR/Admin), NBPDCL, Patna by 25<sup>th</sup> July,2016.

5. Copy of the order be sent to (i) **GM(HR/Admin), NBPDCL, Patna** and **(ii) SP, Samastipur** for **necessary action** and **to (iii) Petitioner** for information.

6. **Case be listed next on 29<sup>th</sup> July,2016.** 

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(Neelmani) Member

Date: 12.05.2016

## Asstt. Registrar