

## BIHAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (BHRC)

9, Bailey Road, Patna

**File No. BHRC/Comp. 3090/14**

**(Suo Motu Cognizance)**

**Subject:** Death of a juvenile inmate in Muzaffarpur remand home.

BHRC takes **suo motu** cognizance of media reports about **suspicious and tragic death of a juvenile inmate lodged in Muzaffarpur Remand Home on 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2014**. Reportedly one **Rupesh Kumar @ Anup Kumar Singh** of village Naugarh, P.S. Bhagwanpur, district Kaimur was transferred recently to remand home Muzaffarpur from remand home, Gaya on the orders of Juvenile Justice Board, Gaya. He was brought to Sadar Hospital Muzaffarpur in dead condition in late evening on 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2014. As reported in the media, the juvenile bore signs of injuries. Media reports also indicate that the juvenile was transferred to Muzaffarpur from Gaya in bad condition.

**2. The Commission, therefore, directs District Magistrate, Muzaffarpur and SSP, Muzaffarpur to look into the whole episode and send a joint report to the Commission by 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2014 covering, among other things, the administrative lapses, criminal liabilities, actions taken so far and actions proposed in the matter.**

**3. The Commission also directs Director, Social Welfare, Government of Bihar to also send report to the Commission by 5<sup>th</sup> September 2014** which should also include administrative actions taken so far in the matter, whether rules/regulations regarding medical check-up of remand home inmates on transfer were observed in the present episode.

4. Let a copy of this order be sent along with newspaper clipping by fax to (i) **District, Magistrate, Muzaffarpur**, (ii) **SSP, Muzaffarpur**, (iii) **Director, Social Welfare**, Government of Bihar for **necessary action** and (iv) **Principal Secretary, Social Welfare Department**, Government of Bihar and (v) **Principal Secretary, Home** for information.

Date: 19.08.2014

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Member

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