

BIHAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

9, Bailey Road, Patna – 15

File No **BHRC/COMP.** 848/13

Case of **Shanti Devi**

18.09.2014

Petitioner (Shanti Devi) is not present. Respondent is present. It was alleged by petitioner that her husband on 21.11.2012 while working in his fields got electrocuted as a live electric wire of 440 V had fallen into the fields. The respondents have not denied and they have submitted that they have paid compensation of rupees two lakh in accordance with law to the petitioner.

The Commission feels that the Department cannot absolve itself from the responsibilities by just paying a meager compensation of rupees two lakh to the family of the deceased who admittedly died due to negligence of the Department.

Issue notice to the Executive Engineer who was incharge of the area on 21.11.2012 to show-cause as to why the Commission should not recommend his prosecution under criminal law. Notice shall be served on the Executive Engineer through Chairman, Bihar State Power (Holding) Company Ltd. and the reply to the show-cause notice shall be furnished to the Commission within a period of four weeks.

List on 21.10.2014.

(Justice Bilal Nazki)
Chairperson