

Aged couple (Muslim) was tortured whimsically by drunken BSF personnel

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To
The Chairman
National Human Rights Commission
Manav Adhikar Bhavan
Block-C, GPO Complex, INA
New Delhi-110023

4 April 2022

Respected Sir,

Here I want to draw your attention towards the incident of illegal trespassing and brutal torture inflicted by the 4-5 BSF personnel attached with Gobra Border Outpost, Battalion no. 112, on two innocent villagers belonging from the marginalized Muslim Other Backward Class (OBC) community from Gobra village of Swarupnagar, North 24 Parganas and Basirhat Police station area in West Bengal. The perpetrators have been identified as 4-5 BSF jawans who verbally and physically harassed the victims and injured them.

The victims, Mr. Majed Gazi and Mrs. Masura alias Machura Bibi Gazi, are poor marginalized labourers and lives on meager income. The perpetrator BSF personnel accused them of being involved in cross-border smuggling and demanded rupees 2 lakh from the victims, which they were unable to pay. The victims lodged a complaint to the Superintendent of Police, Basirhat Police District, via registered post and informed about this incident of torture. However, no action was taken in this regard as the perpetrators are enjoying impunity.

The incident violates the rights guaranteed in Article 19 and 21 of Indian Constitution and also the premise of Article 7 and 12 of International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights as well as the Goal No. 8 and 16 of the Sustainable Development Goal earmarked by United Nations and in both these international instruments; the government of India is a party and have agreement. The perpetrator BSF officials also violated the norms fixed in Criminal Procedure Code of India.

Under these circumstances we demand:

- The BSF should be posted at the zero point outside the village where they would not be able to meddle in the personal affairs of the villagers
- Strict action should be taken against the guilty BSF personnel, who were associated with this incident
- The victim should be provided with proper protection so that incidents like this is not repeated any further.
- The victim should be provided with legal support

Thanking you,
Yours sincerely,

(Kirity Roy)
Secretary, MASUM

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Details of Victim

1. Mr. Majed Gazi, Son of Late Gohor Gazi, Age-60, Village- Gobra, P.S.- Basirhat, North 24 Parganas, West Bengal
2. Mrs. Masura alias Machura Bibi, Wife of Mr. Majed Gazi, Age-58, Village- Gobra, P.S- Basirhat, North 24 Parganas, West Bengal

Details of the perpetrators:

4-5 on duty BSF personnel attached with Gobra Border Outpost, Battalion no. 112

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Dr. Anasuyak Ray, M.D. (MEDICINE)
Regn. No. 73813 (WBMC)

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Address: Cobra

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