

3. IMRANA RAPE CASE

Pursuance to the order dated 29.6.2005, the Inquiry Committee consisting of:

1. Dr. Girija Vyas, Chairperson, NCW
2. Ms. Yasmeen Abrar, Member, NCW
3. Ms. Neeva Konwar, Member, NCW
4. Shri A.S. Qureshi, Retd. High Court Judge
5. Prof. M. Afzal Wani
6. Mrs. Tarannum Siddiqui, Women Study Centre, Jamia Milia University
7. Shri Yogesh Mehta, Law Officer, NCW

Was constituted to inquire into the alleged rape of Imrana , resident of Charthawal, in District Muzaffarnagar by her father-in-law The incident was reported by the Asian age and other Newspaper, on which the National Commission for Women took immediate cognizance and issued notices to the district Police, directing them to register a case of rape.

REMEDIAL MEASURES RECOMMENDED

The Committee recommends as follows:

1. The State Government should be requested to see that the victim Smt. Imrana gets prompt and effective justice in the court of law in the criminal case against her rapist father-in-law.
2. The State Government should appoint a Special Prosecutor and get the case transferred to the Fast Track Court with the direction that it should be heard on day to day basis till it ends within a short time frame, say one month as it happened at Jodhpur in Rajasthan recently. In that case the rapist was convicted and sentenced in less than one month.
3. The Committee further recommends that Smt. Imrana should be paid adequate compensation forthwith of around 4 lacs of rupees for the

maintenance of herself and her five children as has been done by some other State Governments.

4. The Inquiry Committee also recommends to the State Government that it should frame guidelines for dealing with the rape cases and other cases of atrocities on women for early disposal by the Fast Track Courts and also ensure that the rapist and others who commit atrocities are brought to book and adequately punished in a short time.
5. The Committee also recommends that the State Government should formulate the guidelines of paying adequate compensation to the victims of rape and other atrocities on women.
6. The Committee recommends that the cases of rape and other atrocities on women should be dealt with by the law courts only and not by other bodies like Panchayats, Intermediaries, Conciliators and others. The recourse to law Courts should be encouraged and other irregular methods should be discouraged by the Government agencies.
7. The Vigilance Committees should be set up at the District level to collect information about rape, atrocities etc. and move the authorities for appropriate action.