WEST BENGAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

File No. 1348/25/5/2022

Date: 14-08-2024

Present

1. Mr. Justice Jyotirmay Bhattacharya - Chairperson

2. Mrs. Justice Madhumati Mitra Member

3. Mr. Basudeb Baneriee Member

> The Commission had received a undated letter on 27th June, 2022 from a person signed "A. Banerjee" but stating that he was unable to reveal his identity as he claimed to be a Government Official. Unfortunately the complaint was pending in the office and was brought before the Commission only on 20th May, 2024. The allegation being of a serious nature pertaining to the presence of minor victim girls in a brothel that has been named by the complainant, the Commission thought it fit to order a confidential investigation under the Leadership of S.P. of the Investigation Wing. A report was also sought from the local D.C. of Police.

> The Commission has considered both these reports. The confidential report has stated that immoral trafficking of girls below 18 years of age could not be established at the address mentioned in the complaint and the possibility of transportation of minors from Kestopur also could not be determined.

The report suggest that frequent monitoring is to be done by the Police as a regular nightly feature and CC TV footage checked regularly by the Police to ensure that no mionor girls are present for immoral purposes in all areas where sex workers are active. The Commission accepts the suggestion and accordingly a recommendation to that effect may be sent to the Government.

Justice Madhumati Mitra Justice Jyotirmay Bhattacharya Chairman Member (J)

Basudel Banerjee Member(A)