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National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes has been set up under Article 338 of the Constitution to investigate and monitor all matters relating to safeguards provided for SCs/STs under the Constitution or any other law for the time being in force and to inquire into specific complaints with respect to deprivation of rights and safeguards of SCs/STs.

Commission has observed that crimes and atrocities against SCs/STs are on the increase and in many cases due care is not being exercised to apprehend the accused immediately as well as to provide relief and rehabilitation measures to the victims. Commission has decided to closely monitor the cases of atrocities on SCs/STs and accordingly all District Magistrates and SS should be directed to report to Commission the cases of murder, mass murder, grievous hurt, rape, dacoity, forcible grabbing of SC/ST's land etc. within 24 hours of their occurence.

Presently the Headquarters of the Commission are equipped with the computer system on which information can be received on the NIC Mail site (ncscst) or E.Mail (ncscst @ x 400.nicgw.nic.in). The proforma on which the above details are to be reported, as per the above schedule, is enclosed. Please issue instructions that the report is sent jointly by the DM and the SSP/SP of the concerned district.

Receipt of this letter may kindly be acknowledged.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(H. Hanumanthappa)