

**ODISHA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**  
**TOSHALI BHWAN (2ND FLOOR),**  
**SATYA NAGAR, BHUBANESWAR-751007**

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**OHRC Case No. 153 of 2014**

**ORDER**

**1st Sep 2014**

As per order of the Commission dt.10.7.2014 ,the Director of Investigation –Cum- Addl. D.G, of Police ,OHRC has submitted his enquiry report. Sri P.K.Tripathy, DSP,OHRC assisted him in the enquiry. Perused the report of the Director of Investigation-Cum-Addl.D.G. of Police, OHRC No.10367 dt.18.8.2014.

The brief facts of the case are that on 23.11.2013 the dead body of a tribal student, Krushna Chandra Gand, reading in Class-X of ‘Maa Pendrani High School‘ was found hanging from a tree in the School premises. In this connection Umerkote police has registered U.D.Case No.62/13 on the complaint of the Headmaster of the school. The report of S.P., Nabarangpur No.248 dt.22.5.2014 stated that the dead body of the boy was sent for Postmortem Examination which was conducted by Dr.Sarat Chandra Sethy ,CHC,Umerkote. His opinion was that the cause of death was due to cardio-respiratory arrest due to asphyxia, pointing towards death due to hanging. The napkin which was used for hanging was strong enough to support the weight of the deceased. No foul play was detected and the case was concluded as one of suicidal by hanging.

The Commission was not satisfied with the report of the S.P., Nabarangapur since it was silent about the allegation of torture by the school authority in September and October, 2013, which allegedly compelled the deceased to commit suicide. The Director of Investigation of OHRC has made a very detailed enquiry into the entire gamut of circumstances surrounding the unfortunate incident. He has interviewed the parents of the deceased, the inmates of the hostel where the deceased was residing until the 1 last day of his life, the school authorities as well as some villagers. No one has hinted at any

torture having been inflicted on the deceased prior to his death. No foul play could be detected during the enquiry. The police of Umerkote P.S. has already submitted Final Form on 2.2.2014 treating the case as one of suicidal hanging.

Since Final Form has already been submitted , there is no further cause for the Commission to continue in this case. It is accordingly, closed.

**SHRI B.K.PATNAIK**  
**MEMBER**

**JUSTICE B.K.MISHRA**  
**ACTING CHAIRPERSON**