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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR PROTECTION OF CHILD RIGHTS

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F. No. 1/Misc/CP/NCPCR/JJ/2023/DD4696

Date: 03.04.2023

Notice u/s 13(1(j) of CPCR Act, 2005

To,

Shri Praveen Kumar Tripathi, IPS Commissioner of Police, Howrah, West Bengal. Email: commhowrah@gmail.com

Subject: Reg. - use of minor in violent activities in Howrah.

Sir,

National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (hereinafter referred to as the Commission) is a statutory body constituted under Section 3 of the Commission for Protection of Child Rights (CPCR) Act, 2005 to protect the child rights and other related matters in the Country. The Commission is further mandated to monitor the proper and effective implementation of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012; Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Right to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009. In one of the functions laid down under Section 13 of the CPCR Act, 2005, the Commission has been assigned with the function to examine and review the safeguards provided by or under any law for the time being in force for the protection of child rights and recommend measures for their effective implementation. The Commission also has the powers of Civil Court trying a suit under Section 14 of CPCR Act, 2005 and Code of Civil Procedure, 1908.

- 2. The Commission has come across a twitter post wherein it has come to the notice of the Commission that during Ramnavami Shobha Yatra in Howrah's Shibpur area, the mob turns violent and the children are seen to be used in stone pelting in the violence activities, by anti-social elements. The twitter link is as under
- 3. The Commission has taken suo-moto cognizance of the matter u/s 13(1)(j) of CPCR Act, 2005 as prime facie, the use of children in such violent activities by anti-social elements seems to be violation of Section 83(2) of Juvenile Justice Act, 2015 and other relevant Sections of IPC.
- 4. Therefore, your good offices are requested to inquire into the matter by urgent legal action against the perpetrators who used the children in such violent activities. It is also desirable to identify the children who have been used in such violent activities, produce them before Child Welfare Committee and their counselling may be done.
- 5. Further, an Action Taken Report in this regard may be submitted within **02 days** of receipt of this letter.

(Priyank Kanoongo) Chairperson, NCPCR