



25<sup>th</sup> June 2022

To  
The Director General of Police,  
Government of Andhra Pradesh,  
Mangalagiri.

Sir,

Sub.: Chittoor district, Chittoor town – Police excess against  
Ms. Katari Hemalatha, former Chittoor Mayor – Ms.  
Hemalatha injured — Attempts to cover up the murder  
case of Mr. Katari Mohan & Mrs. Katari Anuradha,  
former Mayor of Chittoor – Police intimidating  
witnesses and filing false cases – Attack on protesters  
– Action against erring police – Reg.

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It is appalling to note the manner in which a section of police are blatantly siding with the ruling YSRCP goons and henchmen in order to protect the criminals. It is abominable that the police are targeting and harassing key witnesses and their aides in various cases. The incident of police manhandling Ms. Katari Hemalatha, former Mayor and running police jeep over her legs is horrendous in nature and needs to be condemned at the highest level.

Ms. Lavanya, Sister-in-Law of Ms. Hemalatha complained to Addl SP Chittoor Sri P. Jagadeesh and also to Chittoor DSP on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 about extending protection to witnesses in the gruesome murder of Smt & Sri Katari Anuradha and Mohan, who are parents-in-law of Ms. Hemalatha, and also requesting the police to ensure that the case concludes in the court without further delays. On 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022, it was learnt that the II Town Police, Chittoor were inquiring about the whereabouts of Shri Satish Naidu, key witness in the murder case of Shri Katari Mohan and his wife Smt Katari Anuradha. Accordingly, the police threatened Shri Prasanna, an aide of Ms. Hemalatha, to reveal the whereabouts of Shri Satish, key witness.

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Meanwhile at around 9 PM on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022, the police have raided the house of Shri Purna, brother of Shri Prasanna, in order to threaten Mr. Prasanna to give whereabouts of Shri Satish. The police have foisted a false case of marijuana against Mr. Purna and planned to arrest him with a view to threaten Shri Prasanna. Knowing this Ms. Hemalatha rushed to the place of incident along with her supporters to rescue Mr. Purna. However, the police relentlessly pushed Mr. Purna in to the jeep and manhandled Ms. Hemalatha. Circle Inspector Yatindra pushed away Ms. Hemalatha and she fell down receiving grievous injuries. Further, the police while reversing their jeep ran over her legs leading to fracture of her legs. Ms. Hemalatha is admitted into hospital and is currently under treatment.

It is loathsome to see the manner in which the police foisted a false case related to marijuana against Mr. Purna by showing a pack of green grass in the police jeep. Simultaneously, it is odious to witness the police manhandling a former Mayor and woman. It is equally ridiculous on the part of CI Yatindra to falsely admit jeep driver in the hospital by making dubious claim that Ms. Hemalatha and her group had attacked the driver.

In this backdrop, it is appealed to inquire and take stringent action against the erring police officials in foisting false case against Mr. Purna and manhandling Ms. Hemalatha. The police harassment of key witnesses in various crimes just to protect ruling YSRCP goons and henchmen shall be stopped with immediate effect. If this trend of targeting and harassing of key witnesses continues, police in Andhra Pradesh will be mocked at and will be seen with contempt. Any official wontedly deviating from their duties and obligations should be dealt with stringent action and in this regard, we have to ensure that such officials are punished appropriately.

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Only a quick action at your end by initiating stern action against erring police officials might help in restoring faith over police among the people of Andhra Pradesh.

Encl.: Video clip of police manhandling Ms. Katari Hemalatha, former Mayor, Chittoor.

Thank you,

  
**(NARA CHANDRABABU NAIDU)**

Copy to the Superintendent of Police, Chittoor district, Chittoor.