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**PTI**

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The team had recorded testimonies of 94 students apart from teachers, the chief proctor, librarian and staff of the library where the police had allegedly lathicharged students.

“They have completed the investigation. The report has not yet come to me. We have not set a deadline for the submission of the report. It takes a lot of time to finalise a report,” said NHRC chairman Justice (retd) HL Dattu.

On December 15, police had used batons and teargas shells to disperse a violent mob during a protest against the Citizenship (Amendment) Act (CAA) a few metres away from the varsity. They had entered the university campus, saying rioters had taken shelter there.

However, Jamia students had denied that they were involved in the violence and had alleged police brutality on those studying in the library.



## Cops summon 10 students of Jamia for questioning

**New Delhi, Feb. 20:** The Crime Branch of Delhi Police on Thursday has issued notices to 10 students of Jamia Millia Islamia University asking them to appear before it for questioning on the December 15 violence that ensued at the varsity, sources in the department said.

According to sources, these students have been identified through the footage from CCTV installed in the varsity. On December 15 last year, the Delhi Police burst into the campus, threw teargas shells and allegedly assaulted students.

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## एनएचआरसी ने जांच पूरी की

नई दिल्ली, (एजेंसी)। जामिया में पुलिस की कार्रवाई की जांच कर रही राष्ट्रीय मानवाधिकार आयोग की टीम ने अपनी तहकीकात पूरी कर ली है लेकिन अपनी रिपोर्ट अभी आयोग के अध्यक्ष को नहीं सौंपी है। एक वरिष्ठ अधिकारी ने यह जानकारी दी। जामिया परिसर में पुलिस की कथित ज्यादतियों की जांच के लिए सात सदस्य टीम गठित की गई थी। टीम ने शिक्षकों, मुख्य प्रॉक्टर, लाइब्रेरियन और 94 छात्रों की गवाहियों को रिकॉर्ड किया है।



# मानवाधिकार आयोगों से साझे पोर्टल से जुड़ने की अपील

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राष्ट्रीय मानवाधिकार आयोग के अध्यक्ष न्यायमूर्ति एचएल दत्त ने सभी राज्य मानवाधिकार आयोगों से गुरुवार को साझे पोर्टल के साथ जुड़ने की अपील की ताकि एक ही शिकायत दो बार दर्ज न की जा सके। आयोग ने यहां सभी राज्य मानवाधिकार आयोगों की बैठक बुलाई है।

दत्त ने कहा कि अपनी पहुंच बढ़ाने के लिए आयोग ने शिकायत दर्ज कराने की अपनी प्रणाली को केंद्र के साझे सेवा पोर्टल के साथ समेकित किया है। वह राज्य मानवाधिकार आयोगों को भी एचआरसीएनईटी पोर्टल से जुड़ने के लिए प्रोत्साहित कर रहा है। उन्होंने बताया कि अधिकतर राज्य आयोग इस पोर्टल से जुड़ गए हैं। कुल 22 राज्यों के मानवाधिकार आयोग अब तक इस पोर्टल से जुड़े हैं।

## जामिया हिंसा मामला

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जामिया मिल्लिया इस्लामिया में पुलिस की कार्रवाई की जांच कर रही राष्ट्रीय मानवाधिकार आयोग (एनएचआरसी) की टीम ने अपनी तहकीकात पूरी कर ली है लेकिन अपनी रिपोर्ट अभी आयोग के अध्यक्ष को नहीं सौंपी है। एक वरिष्ठ अधिकारी ने यह जानकारी दी। जामिया परिसर में प्रवेश के बाद पुलिस की कथित ज्यादतियों की जांच करने के लिए एनएचआरसी की सात सदस्य टीम गठित की गई थी।

टीम ने शिक्षकों, मुख्य प्रॉक्टर, लाइब्रेरियन और पुस्तकालय के अन्य स्टाफ के अलावा 94 छात्रों की गवाहियों को रिकॉर्ड किया है। पुलिस ने विश्वविद्यालय के पुस्तकालय में घुस कर कथित रूप से लाठीचार्ज किया था। एनएचआरसी के अध्यक्ष न्यायमूर्ति (सेवानिवृत्त) एचएल दत्त ने कहा कि उन्होंने जांच पूरी कर ली है। रिपोर्ट अभी मेरे पास नहीं आई है। मैंने रिपोर्ट जमा करने के लिए कोई



समय सीमा तय नहीं की है। एक रिपोर्ट को अंतिम रूप देने में बहुत समय लगता है। पिछले साल 15 दिसंबर को पुलिस ने विश्वविद्यालय से कुछ मीटर की दूरी पर संशोधित नागरिकता कानून के खिलाफ प्रदर्शन के दौरान हिंसक हुई भीड़ को तितर बितर करने के लिए लाठीचार्ज किया था और आंसू गैस के गोले दागे थे। पुलिस विश्वविद्यालय में भी घुस गई थी और कहा था कि परिसर में 'दंगाई' घुस गए थे। बहरहाल, जामिया के छात्रों ने इस बात से इनकार किया है कि वे हिंसा में शामिल थे और पुलिस पर पुस्तकालय में पढ़ाई कर रहे विद्यार्थियों पर लाठीचार्ज करने का आरोप लगाया।





# एनएचआरसी के पास और अधिकार हो : न्यायमूर्ति दत्त

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पूर्व मुख्य न्यायाधीश दत्त ने कहा कि वह मामले को केंद्र सरकार के सामने उठा रहे हैं। साथ ही अधिकारियों को इस बाबत पत्र लिख रहे हैं। न्यायमूर्ति दत्त ने कहा, अगर हम कुछ सिफारिश करते हैं तो राज्य सरकार उसे लागू भी कर सकती है और लागू नहीं भी कर सकती है। अगर राज्य हमारी सिफारिशों को लागू नहीं करते हैं तो हमें अदालत जाना

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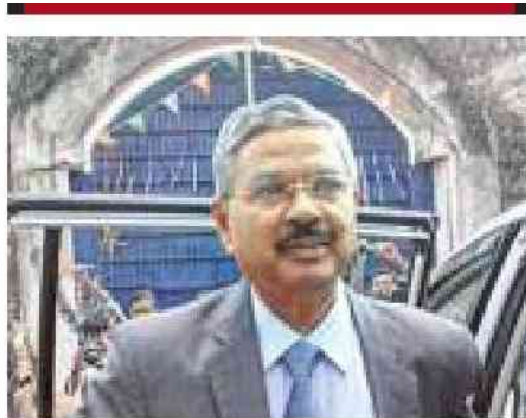
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### SHRCs asked to join common portal

NEW DELHI

The State Human Rights Commissions (SHRCs) were asked by National Human Rights Commission Chairperson Justice H.L. Dattu (retd.) on Thursday to join the common portal — HRC Net — to avoid duplication of complaints, an NHRC statement said.





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### **Six year old raped and killed in Tripura**

AGARTALA

A six-year-old girl was raped and murdered in the Silachari area of Agartala on Thursday. The police arrested a 35-year-old man believed to be involved in the crime that took place at Ghoragappa. "His involvement will be confirmed after getting the post-mortem and forensic reports," a police officer said.



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## UK MP extended due courtesy while being sent back, says MEA

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** UK MP Debbie Abrahams was extended all due courtesy by Indian authorities while being sent back from the airport for not having a valid visa, the government said on Thursday.

"Debbie Abrahams didn't have a valid visa so she was very respectfully asked to leave. We sent her back 'badi izzat se'," MEA spokesperson Raveesh Kumar told media. The official added that the MP's statements and her "ideology" had been anti Indian.



Abrahams

"There is a sustained campaign from her side against India," he added.

"She claims she was here to meet family and friends. Even if she had a visa it was a business visa. But primary purpose couldn't have been meeting family and friends," MEA spokesperson said.

The Indian embassy in the UK had clarified that the Labour lawmaker did not hold a valid visa and there was no provision for visa on arrival for UK nationals.

"The mission has confirmed from the Indian immigration authorities that Debbie Abrahams did not hold a valid visa. Further, there is no provision for visa on arrival for UK nationals. She was accordingly requested to return," tweeted the Indian mission.



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# Woman dies after giving birth, hubby assaults doc

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**Kolkata:** The husband of a woman, who died hours after she gave birth to a healthy boy, assaulted the gynaecologist who had delivered the baby at CMRI Hospital on Thursday morning. The assault sparked widespread anger in the medical fraternity, with doctors seeking condemnation from the highest authorities and strict punishment against the accused.

Rinki Bhattacharya, 30, was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday, where ob-gyn Basab Mukherjee conducted a C-section to deliver a boy in the morning. Family members said the mother had appeared quite healthy when they saw her during the evening visiting hours.

But the Baguiati resident developed severe respiratory distress around 3am on Thursday and died of a cardiac arrest soon after. The family demanded an explanation from the doctor.

Mukherjee was in the process of explaining the possible cause of her death, when her husband, Tapen Bhattacharya, lashed out and slapped him on the left cheek. The impact of the blow sent the doctor reeling. Uniformed policemen were present when the assault, captured on CCTV cameras, took place.

Coming barely eight months after the vicious mob assault at NRS Medical College and Hospital on two junior doctors, the single slap on Thursday resounded far beyond the corridors of CMRI.

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"Most of the state commissions have joined this portal. I take this opportunity to urge state commissions which are yet to join the portal to do the same at the earliest to avoid duplication of complaint registration on the same issue," he said. According to another NHRC official, 22 states have joined the portal so far.

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