



# HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS' ALERT - INDIA

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To,

Mr. Indrajeet Kumar,  
National Focal Point – Human Rights Defenders & Deputy Registrar,  
National Human Rights Commission,  
Manav Adhikar Bhawan,  
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Dear Sir,

**Sub: HRD Alert – Urgent Appeal for Action – Bihar – HRD assaulted and fabricated cases on HRD by Bihar police**

Greetings from Human Rights Defenders Alert!

HRD Alert -India is a forum of Human Rights Defenders for Human Rights Defenders. It endeavours to initiate actions on behalf of Human Rights Defenders under threat or with security concerns.

We are writing to express our concern regarding the barbaric attack and false cases on HRD Mr. Imran Ali by goons and false case registered against HRD by police.

**About the Human Rights Defender:**

Imran Ali alias Raju Warsi is an established human rights worker and the district Coordinator of INSAF Manch Vaishali Bihar.

**Source of Information:**

Communication with HRDA Regional Co-ordinator

Communication with other HRDs in the region

**The Perpetrators:**

Police Personnel of Mahua Police station, Vaishali District, Bihar.

**Date of Incident:**

July 17, 2024

**Place of Incident:**

Mahua Bazar, Gandhi Chowk. Vaishali District. Bihar.

**Background of the incident:**

Muharram is one of the main festivals of Muslims. Even Hindus in large number participate in the festivity. But anti-social religious hate mongers try to gain political benefits by spreading communal disharmony in the society.

**Details of the Incident:**

On July 17, 2024 at around 8:00 in the night a Muharram procession was passing through Mahua Bazar, Gandhi Chowk, District Vaishali, Bihar. Some miscreants started abusive slogan against Prophet Mohammad and Allah. To avoid any clash people in the procession caught them and handed them over to police on duty at the spot.

However, the Police let them go after some time. The hooligans again gathered at Government Block office gate and started shouting. Mr. Imran Ali tried to reach there in order to understand the reason for the commotion. All of a sudden, the hooligans attacked HRD Imran Ali and started beating him. He was beaten up so badly that he got unconscious. The attackers left him there thinking him dead.

Mr. Imran Ali was taken to the Sub division Government hospital. Seeing his serious condition of the HRD doctors referred him to District Hospital and he was taken to Hazipur District Hospital Bihar. Next day seeing that he is not getting proper care HRD's family members admitted him in a private nursing home where he remained admitted till July 22,2024

A complaint regarding the incident was made to police on July 19, 2024 at the Mahua police station. The police filed an FIR on July, 20, 2024. After filing FIR perpetrators started calling HRD and threatening him to withdraw the police complaint. However HRD Imran Ali didn't withdraw his complaint.

On July 23 2024, the police filed a FIR against HRD Imran Ali under sections 126(2), 191(2),127(2),115(2),118(1),303(2),352,351,74,76 of BNS 2023 and 3(1)(s), 3(1)(w), 3(1)(r) of Prevention of Atrocities Against SC/ST Act.

**Appeal:**

We urge the Hon'ble Commission to take cognisance of the above case and urgently:

- Exercise Section 12 (a) of the Protection of Human Rights (Amendment) Act, 2019, and take Suo moto cognizance of this incident and initiate an independent inquiry through NHRC's investigation wing.
- Direct the Director General of Police of Bihar to arrest the perpetrators responsible for the attack on HRD Imran Ali immediately and set up an independent transparent inquiry into the inaction of the police department against the attackers and submit the report to NHRC within two weeks.
- Depending on the inquiry take strict action against the inaction of the police and submit the report to NHRC within two weeks.
- Direct the Director General of Police of Bihar to initiate an independent and urgent inquiry into the false cases against Mr Imran Ali and submit a report to the NHRC within two weeks.
- Direct the Director General of the Police of Bihar to ensure the complete physical and psychological safety of the HRD and his family and assure the NHRC of the same actions within one week.

We hope to hear from you soon,

Yours Sincerely,



(Henri Tiphagne)

National Working Secretary