



**NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
(FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON)**

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“WIDOW SELLS HER HAIR TO FEED 3 STARVING KIDS, TRIES TO KILL SELF”

National Commission for Women has come across a media report as captioned **“Widow sells her hair for 150 to feed 3 starving kids, tries to kill self”** on the 10th January 2020 on The Times of India, wherein it is reported that a 31-year-old woman who had tried to commit suicide seven month ago, sold her hair to feed her three starving children. It is also reported that she is left with debt following the death of her husband.

The incident reported is truly unfortunate and National Commission of Women has written to Tmt. S. Madumathi (I.A.S), Secretary, Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department in Chennai, Government of Tamil Nadu, and requested to take appropriate steps to mitigate the hardship faced by the women and her kids, and to send report to the Commission at the earliest.

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