

PRESS RELEASE

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The National Commission for Women, in exercise of its powers conferred under Sections 8 (1), read with Sections 10 (1) and 10 (4) of the National Commission for Women Act 1990, constituted an "Inquiry Committee" to enquire into the alleged incident of the media report "**Police inaction drives rape victim to suicide in Punjab**" wherein it is reported that even though the matter was reported to the district police station the F.I.R was registered only after 14 days. The enquiry committee is headed by Shamina Shafiq, Member NCW.

The honourable member met the police authorities and has asked the immediate action against the police officials within twenty four hours who delayed the investigation and action against the rape accused. She has also requested the Government for financial assistance for the victim family and also for registering the case for abetment of suicide in the name of police officials.