

Before the Maharashtra State Commission for
Protection of Child Rights.

Enquiry, under section 13(1) & 14 of the
Child Rights Protection Act, 2005

Case No.174 / 2013-14

Suo Moto

Background

This matter has been referred by the Government of Maharashtra for conducting inquiry, on the basis of news items appeared in newspaper, indicating that children have been engaged for construction of roads (National Highway) near Mahad on Mumbai-Goa Highway. Photo appeared in newspaper clearly shows that children are digging hole for fixing iron railing. Under the said circumstance the Commission has taken the matter, issued notices to concern authorities. Dy.Engineer, National Highway Authority has denied to engaged child as labour, saying that photo appearing in news paper is differing with the photo of actual place therefore he has requested the Commission to close the matter. Assistant Labour Commissioner has submitted report saying that during the construction of road site, children as labour were not engaged.

2. As both the authorities have refuted the charge, therefore in the interest of justice this matter is need to be referred to investigation agency.

3. In view of above the Commission's recommendation as follows:

1) Superident of Police, Raigad to investigate the matter and submit the report.

By order and seal of the Commission.



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