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Case No. 5645/2008-09 / 1094

Name of the complainants :

1. Shri Rajaram Shakharam Mhapralkar
 2. Mrs. Rajashri Rajaram Mhapralkar
 3. Shri Sakharam Rajaram Mhapralkar
- Residents of Kumbrali, Mhapra
Tal-Mandangarh, Dist-Ratnagiri.

V/s

1. The Collector
Ratnagiri.
2. The Superintendent of Police
Ratnagiri.

Date
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: April 29, 2009.
: Justice Kshitij R. Vyas (Former Chief Justice), Chairperson.

PROCEEDINGS

The complainants are present with their learned Advocate Shri G. J. Panderkar at the time of hearing. On behalf of the respondent PSI Shri V. B. More attached to Mandangad Police Station is present with report of Superintendent of Police, Ratnagiri.

The complainants allege that they have been socially ostracized by some villagers in consequence of a land dispute and despite approaching the respondent no action is taken and hence the complaint.

In the report submitted today while denying the allegations made by the complainant, it is pointed out that the complainants are getting water from the common tap and that there was a dispute for getting water a minor scuffled took place.

The learned Advocate for the complainants has submitted that the complainants are in fact ostracized by the entire village and that they are not allowed to take water. In that connection quarrels are frequently taken place.

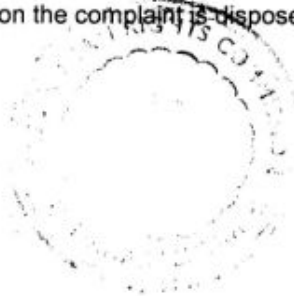
After hearing the parties, the Commission does feel that water being a necessity of life can not be denied to anybody. The complainants as a matter of right are entitled to get such basic requirement. **The Commission has, therefore, impressed upon the PSI Shri More to see to it that the complainants do get water without any obstruction by anybody by maintaining law and order. PSI Shri More has assured that he would see to it that the complainants are not harassed by anybody in getting regular water supply.**

As far as the incident like quarrels and beating are concerned appropriate action shall be taken in the matter.

The Collector, Ratnagiri is also directed by recommendation to consider the problems of the complainants and see to it that they live in the village peacefully and with dignity.

With this recommendation the complaint is disposed off.

Mumbai; April 29, 2009.




(Justice Kshitij R. Vyas)
Chairperson.