

NHRC, India takes suo motu cognizance of the reported death of two men due to alleged police brutality in Madhya Pradesh

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The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), India has taken *suo motu* cognizance of a media report about the death of two men due to the alleged police brutality in separate incidents in Madhya Pradesh. Commission has issued a notice to the Director General of Police, Madhya Pradesh, calling for a detailed report on the matters within two weeks. The report is expected to include the status of the investigation.

According to the media report, carried on 11th October, 2025, in the first incident, a 22-year-old final year B.Tech student of an engineering college died after he was assaulted by the two constables while he was returning from a party in the intervening night of 9th –10th October, 2025 in Bhopal district. Reportedly, the victim and his friends had broken a bottle on the road, after which police approached them for questioning. While his two friends managed to flee, the victim was caught and allegedly beaten up. Reportedly, the CCTV footage circulating on social media shows a constable striking the youth with a baton.

In the other incident, a 45-year-old man, a resident of Bamuria village under Shadapura PS of Ashoknagar district, allegedly died after he beaten up by the police personnel while searching for illicit liquor on 9th October, 2025. His family reportedly claimed that he was drowned in a water-filled pit by the police personnel after assaulting him, whereas the police maintained that he fell in the pit while trying to flee.

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