

NHRC, India takes suo motu cognizance of the reported death of three workers and injuries to others in an explosion at a chemical factory inside an industrial area in the Rewari district, Haryana

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The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), India has taken *suo motu* cognizance of media reports that six persons sustained injuries in an explosion at a chemical factory located in an industrial area in the Rewari district of Haryana on May 19, 2026. Reportedly, repair work was underway at the factory's chilling plant when the explosion triggered fire. One of the workers died in the hospital during the course of treatment on May 20, 2026. The skeletal remains of two other workers were recovered from the factory.

The Commission has observed that the contents of the news report, if true, raise serious issue of violation of human rights of the victims. Therefore, it has issued notices to the Haryana Chief Secretary and the Superintendent of Police, Rewari, calling for a detailed report on the matter within two weeks. The report is expected to include the status of the health of the injured and compensation, if any, paid to the next of kin of the victims and injured.

According to the media reports, carried during the last five days, the factory manufactures chemical products, industrial inks and aluminium foil for domestic and overseas markets. About 300 employees of the factory were evacuated following multiple explosions.

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