

National Commission for Women

Success Story

DEALING HAND: Tanistha, JTE(TA)

6th Sep, 2017- The complainant registered a complaint against the respondent alleging domestic violence and harassment on part of the mother-in law. She also stated that she had left her matrimonial home for the good of her one year daughter and taken a shelter in her grandmother's home.

13th Oct, 2017- The matter was forwarded to the SP City, Ghaziabad.

23rd Oct, 2017- The complainant via e-mail and telephonic conversation informed the counsellor that she wanted a hearing in the matter to amicably resolve the dispute.

21st Nov, 2018- As requested by the complainant, the matter was listed for hearing chaired by the concerned Member on 4th Dec, 2017 at One-Stop Centre, Patna. In the hearing, the respondent and the other family members were absent and it was observed that the complainant is under stress. The complainant was referred to the centre for personal counselling and the respondent was summoned before the Commission.

4th Dec, 2017- Another hearing was conducted in Patna chaired by Member. The respondent did not attend the hearing due again.

12th Dec, 2017- The husband was summoned. He stated that he wanted reconciliation in the matter. It was directed that a joint hearing may be scheduled in the matter.

14th May, 2018- A joint hearing was scheduled in the matter at the Commission.. The complainant was absent from the hearing. Efforts were made to contact the complainant to clarify her reason of non-appearance in the joint hearing or whether she wanted to pursue the case. It was decided that despite continuous efforts have been made by the Commission for mediation, the complainant did not seem interested. The matter was closed before the Commission.

17th May, 2018- On the request of the complainant the matter was re-open. The complainant clarified her non-availability from the hearing.

7th June, 2018- Another Joint hearing was scheduled in the matter. Both the complainant as well as respondent were present. It was observed that the complainant was more interested in getting back her belongings/*streedhan*. No mutual settlement was arrived at.

9th July, 2018- On the request of the complainant, the Chairperson directed that a report from SSP Ghaziabad may be sought in the matter. The letter was issued to seek Action taken report.

16th August, 2018- A reminder issued to SSP, Ghaziabad in the matter.

5th Sep, 2018- The hearing was presided over by the Chairperson. Both the complainant as well as respondent were present. ASP, Ghaziabad was also called for the hearing. It was concluded in the following manner. The complainant is to give statement to the concerned police officer for the recovery

of her belongings. The respondent is to cooperate in the matter. ATR was required to be submitted by the CO before 26th September, 2018. The next hearing was scheduled for 5th October, 2018.

5th Oct, 2018- The complainant was again absent from the hearing. The respondent and the concerned Circle Officer were present. The scope of Section 406 IPC was discussed for the recovery of *streedhan* and the CO was directed to submit compliance report. The respondent was heard in person. He stated that he wanted her wife and daughter back in his life. He also stated that the complainant is under some influence or pressure. He specifically stated that he wanted a chance to talk/meet the complainant in person, if NCW could help to meet her and the two year old daughter, the matter might be resolved.

7th Oct, 2018- On request of both the parties, another hearing was scheduled in Patna, the native place of the complainant. The hearing was presided over by the Chairperson. The complainant along with her daughter and parents were present. Both the parties were given personal time to talk. The complainant and her parents were heard in person. It was observed that she wanted to live with her husband but wanted financial security. The respondent said that he was ready to start a fresh life with the wife and daughter. After hours of counselling, it was mutually decided that the complainant would stay at her matrimonial home in Ghaziabad. The NCW will monitor everything from time to time. For the one year, the parties would be given counselling after every 3months. The complainant would have access to all the belongings including lockers and bank accounts.

16th Oct, 2018- On the request of the complainant, the police proceedings were put on hold. She also informed that she would join the home in the first week of December after some procedural formalities at her workplace and the daughter's school.