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To,
The Chairperson,
National Child Helpline

Subject: Urgent Complaint Against Bharathamatha CMI Public School, Palakkad, for Physical Assault, Bullying, and Negligence

Respected Sir/Madam,

I am writing to formally register a serious complaint against Bharathamatha CMI Public School, Palakkad, its administration, and Class Teacher **Ms. Merin Sebastin for gross negligence**, failure to prevent child abuse, and violation of my child's rights. My daughter, Ashtha A (Grade 4C), has been subjected to continuous bullying, physical assault, and sexual harassment for the past six months, despite repeated complaints to the school authorities. The inaction of the school has caused severe emotional trauma and physical pain to my child.

Details of the Complaint

1. Persistent Bullying and Physical Abuse by Amaya

- My daughter suffered constant bullying and harassment from her classmate, Amaya.
- Amaya frequently poked my daughter with sharp objects, broke her Titan watch, and destroyed her study materials.
- She pulled my daughter's hair, mocked her appearance, pushed her in front of classmates, and encouraged boys to laugh at and harass her.
- Amaya physically assaulted my daughter multiple times, including slapping her in the library and bragging about it to classmates.
- Despite repeated complaints, Class Teacher Ms. Merin Sebastin ignored all incidents and refused to take action.

2. Repeated Physical and Sexual Assault by Aayan

- Aayan repeatedly harassed and physically assaulted my daughter.
- He touched her inappropriately and hit her when she resisted.
- He deliberately stamped on her lap multiple times, causing her physical pain.
- He exposed himself to girl students in the classroom and threatened them.
- Despite the severity of these actions, Ms. Merin Sebastin and the school administration took no action to protect my child.

3. Organized Physical Assault on "Slap Day" (February 12, 2025)

- A group of 11 boys and 1 girl carried out a premeditated attack on my daughter in the classroom as part of a so-called "Slap Day."
- My daughter was repeatedly slapped, including on private parts, causing immense distress.
- The students further threatened to observe "Kick Day" and "Punch Day," escalating the violence.
- The school and Class Teacher Ms. Merin Sebastin ignored the incident and failed to take corrective measures.

Negligence by Class Teacher Ms. Merin Sebastin

- Ms. Merin Sebastin ignored multiple complaints regarding bullying and physical abuse.
- She dismissed my daughter's reports of harassment and refused my request for a section change.
- She enabled continued sexual misconduct by Aayan by failing to report his actions.
- Her negligence directly contributed to my child's prolonged suffering.

Negligence by the School Administration

- The Principal failed to report these incidents to authorities and instead attempted to silence me.
- The school used intimidation tactics to prevent me from escalating the complaint.
- The school failed to provide adequate counseling or disciplinary measures against the perpetrators.
- The school deliberately destroyed CCTV Footage.

Requested Actions

I request the Kerala State Commission for Protection of Child Rights to:

1. Conduct an independent inquiry into the school's failure to prevent bullying and physical abuse.
2. Take legal action against Bharathamatha CMI Public School and Class Teacher Ms. Merin Sebastin for **negligence**.
3. Ensure strict disciplinary action against students involved in the assault.
4. Provide professional psychological counseling for my daughter to address the trauma she has endured.
5. Implement and enforce strict anti-bullying policies in the school.

This is a severe violation of child protection laws, and I seek immediate intervention to protect my daughter's rights and well-being. I have attached relevant documents, including previous complaints to the school, witness statements, and medical reports.

I request you to take urgent action and provide an update on further proceedings.

Sincerely,

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