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political, economic, social and cultural rights,
including the right to development**

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The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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* Issued as received, in the language(s) of submission only.



India to treat the Indigenous people

Dalits are facing grave atrocities every day and Indian Government failed to take any action and has forgotten his Human rights responsibilities. There are many cases happened in India against Dalits by Indian Law enforcement agencies, Hindutva ideology and Hindu Nationalist every day. My organization wants to bring into Council's attention on the recent cases.

In May 2021, a police Sub-inspector Named Arjun, Chikkamagaluru police station in Karnataka, he allegedly forced a Dalit youth, who was in custody, to drink urine. Punit K.L. A resident of Kirangunda, alleged that he was thrashed by the cops in the custody and was subjected to harassment for almost six hours by police sub-inspector. The youth further said when he requested for water, Arjun, the police officer, made a person named Chetan - who was in the lock-up in connection with a theft case - to urinate on his face. "Chethan refused initially. But he was forced to urinate on me as he was threatened that he would also be subjected to severe torture. Later, the officers made me lick the urine on the floor,". The youth was taken to the police station on May 10 over allegation raised by a few villagers that he was in contact with a married woman.

Another incident on 23 February 2021 a group of persons allegedly pelted stones at the wedding procession of a Dalit man in Gujarat's Aravalli district Gujrat, while objecting to a traditional head gear worn by some of his relatives and use of DJ music system, an official said on Wednesday. The incident took place when the procession was heading for the marriage in Linch village near Bayad town on 23 February 2021 evening. Some people from Linch allegedly threw stones at the marriage procession when it entered the village. "The accused objected to Dalit men and women in the procession wearing 'safa' (traditional headgear).

Therefore, we request the council towards India to treat the Indigenous people, Dalits and other marginalize and vulnerable population equally as the majority. India to ensure the basic human right of the minority.

We look forward to a positive response from the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and the Special Rapporteurs (SR) on the rights of indigenous peoples and Special Rapporteurs (SR) on minority issues.

Conseil Universel Des Droits De L'Homme - France, NGO(s) without consultative status, also share the views expressed in this statement.