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Chief Minister's condolence over Melaghar suicide: Order for inquiry

Attention of State Government has been drawn towards the published news items in few news papers regarding mysterious death of three members of the same family in Thakurpara under Sonamura sub-division. Chief Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha expressed grief over the incident of tragic death. In this regard, the Chief Minister directed the District Magistrate& Collector of Sepahijala District to conduct a comprehensive enquiry and submit report. On receipt of the information the incident the Superintendent of Police of Sepahijala District along with the senior officials of the Sonamura sub-divisional administration rushed to the spot and commenced investigation. Samples have been collected from the spot and Post-mortem of the deceased persons have been conducted.

Three persons who committed suicide in Melaghar's Thakurpara incident are Chintaharan Pal (75), Pratibha Pal (60) and their daughter Manika Pal. According to the initial report, the District administration spoke to the brother of deceased and learnt that the tragic incident has no relation with alleged starvation. Deceased Pratibha Pal (60) was a mid-day meal worker at an anganwadicentre. The daughter of the family was physically challenged. Initial reports indicate that the suicide bears the relation to mental depression pertaining to illness. Further, the incident does not bear any relation to the alleged financial crisis.
