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26/11 – MR. MINISTER, PL. SEE THE VICTIMS ALSO - Kirit Somaiya

After 2 years of terror attack of 26/11, brave fighters, home guards Uttam Sasulkar and Vishweshwar Pacharne are running door to door to get permanent jobs. Three home guards took on the terrorists Kasab & mandali at the CST Station, Mumbai. One became a martyr and Uttam and Vishweshwar had bullets on their bodies. We have approached each and every Ministry/authorities, the PMO - Mr. Prithviraj Chavan, Railway, Maharashtra Govt. - Mr. R.R. Patil to provide permanent relief and rehabilitation measures to both these brave young men. They are getting just Rs.4,000 to 5,000 per month. Every authority just paid lip sympathy.

Dr. Kirit Somaiya, BJP National Secretary, expressed anguish that, after 2 years also the victims are moving door to door to get the promised relief and rehabilitation.

Grievously injured victims like Sabira Khan and Lalji Pande are also suffering for successive surgeries and long, costly medical treatment. Every authority is passing the buck to each other.

Permanently disabled victim like Jagan Bokade after 2 years also is still lying on the bed, unable to join duty. His wife Archana Bokade and ourselves approached all the authorities. Everybody promised but no job till today.

Victims were forced to make rounds and appearances before the Railway Claims Tribunal to get their rightful claim – insurance claim eligible under the Railway Claims Tribunal - but are getting 'tareek pe tareek'.

The status of the families of Shaheed security personnel is no different. Under the much publicized "Petrol Pump for the Shaheed" scheme, Tukaram Ombale family is likely to get Petrol Pump after 24 months!

Dr. Somaiya appealed to all the authorities to provide healing touch and fulfill promises.

Press Secretary