## Press Release

## **The National Commission for Minorities**

Chairman Iqbal Singh Lalpura Demands Strict Punishment for Sajjan Kumar, Applauds Judiciary and Government Efforts

February 12, 2025:

Hon'ble Chairman, Shri Iqbal Singh Lalpura, expressed his deep gratitude to the judiciary, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, and Home Minister Shri Amit Shah for their unwavering commitment to justice. He acknowledged the formation of a Special Investigation Team (SIT), which led to the reopening of the case and the conviction of Sajjan Kumar.

The case is linked with the killing of Jaswant Singh and his son Tarundeep Singh in the national capital's Saraswati Vihar area on November 1, 1984.

## Justice has been served

Sajjan Kumar, was accused of his involvement in the 1984 anti-Sikh riots, a tragic episode in India's history that led to immense suffering for the Sikh community. Despite years of delays, justice has been served with his conviction, thanks to the persistent efforts of the government and judiciary.

Shri Lalpura emphasized the severity of the crime and strongly advocated for capital punishment, reaffirming the commitment to ensuring justice, accountability, and closure for the victims and their families.

Earlier last year, Shri Lalpura held a meeting at the National Commission for Minorities (NCM) with the families of 1984 anti-Sikh riot victims. During the discussions, the families shared their ongoing struggles and key demands, including better compensation, education, housing, and healthcare.

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