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The Chairperson of National Commission for Women, Smt. Mamta Sharma has expressed her concern over the media reports that the 16 year-old girl, the victim of the sexual assault by the self-styled godman Asaram Bapu and her family are being threatened by Asaram's supporters forcing them to withdraw case against the Godman at her hometown at Shahjahanpur, Uttar Pradesh. Taking the suo-motu cognizance of these reports, the Chairperson, has asked in a letter written to Sh. Akhilesh Yadav, Chief Minister of UP, to personally intervene in the matter and give necessary directions to UP state Police to protect the life and property of the victim and her family.