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## SUHAKAM REAFFIRMS IMPORTANCE OF ENFORCING COURT ORDERS IN INDIRA GANDHI CASE

**KUALA LUMPUR (25 NOVEMBER 2025)** - The Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM) expresses its deep concern over the protracted case of M. Indira Gandhi and her missing daughter, Prasana Diksa. SUHAKAM urges the Inspector-General of Police (IGP) and the Royal Malaysia Police (PDRM) to immediately and fully comply with the recent court order and to intensify all efforts to locate the child without delay.

SUHAKAM reiterates that court orders are binding and must be executed without exception. The High Court has ordered the IGP to locate Prasana Diksa and return her to her mother. Compliance with this order is not discretionary, it is a clear legal duty and any failure or delay in executing a judicial directive is a serious breach that undermines the rule of law, weakens the administration of justice and erodes public confidence in law enforcement institutions.

As the head of the national police force, the IGP bears the ultimate responsibility to ensure that the police carry out the court's mandate. PDRM possesses the authority, resources and investigative capacity to trace individuals and enforce recovery orders. SUHAKAM calls on the IGP to treat this case with the highest level of urgency, accountability and professionalism, and to ensure that all necessary resources are deployed toward locating the child and securing her safe return.

The rights and best interests of the child must be the central consideration in all actions taken. Reuniting Prasana with her mother is not only a legal obligation but also essential to the child's emotional, psychological and developmental well-being. SUHAKAM stresses that every reasonable measure must be taken to secure her safety and dignity throughout the process.

SUHAKAM also urges PDRM and the relevant authorities to provide regular, transparent updates to Indira Gandhi, her legal team and the public regarding the status of the search. Silence or inadequate communication only deepens distress and undermines trust. Should there be any operational challenges or legal complexities in enforcing the court order, SUHAKAM calls for these to be clearly explained and for full collaboration with all relevant government agencies to resolve them.

SUHAKAM acknowledges the immense suffering endured by Indira Gandhi over the past 16 years and we are of the view that the recent march to Bukit Aman reflects not only a mother's enduring pain, but also her unwavering perseverance and pursuit of justice. SUHAKAM expresses its utter disappointment over the failure of the IGP to turn up to receive the symbolic teddy bear from Madam Indira Gandhi, mother of the abducted child, Prasana. Such a conduct gives the negative impression that there was a lack of commitment on the part of the IGP to enforce the order of court and to do what is both morally and legally right to do. As guardian of the public conscience, the IGP is duty-bound to uphold the Rule of Law. Law enforcement institutions must approach this case with the humanity it demands while rigorously fulfilling their legal duties. SUHAKAM therefore calls upon the IGP to honour the court's directive without delay and to demonstrate an unequivocal commitment to upholding the law. Enforcing judicial decisions is not merely procedural, it is a core human rights obligation and an essential pillar of democratic governance.

SUHAKAM further urges continued support from the public, civil society and all stakeholders. Effective cooperation between the judiciary, law enforcement and social service agencies is critical to ensuring that cases involving missing children are resolved promptly, transparently and in accordance with the rule of law.

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