

New Delhi, India May 26, 2015

Dear Ms. Smith:

Thank you for your letter dated April 22, in reference to your detainment. I am replying to you on behalf of Ambassador Verma.

I regret that you are in this difficult situation, and am concerned about the treatment and the health issues that you described in your letter. I have spoken to my American Citizen Services officers, and we intend to continue visiting you and checking your condition as often as possible. With regard to the mistreatment that you described, please provide a full account to Dan Walker during his next visit. It is imperative that we have complete, specific, and accurate details about what happened so we can make an appropriate response to Indian authorities. Acts of abuse against you are not tolerable, and I and my officers are committed to making sure you are treated properly.

With regard to medical care, please make all of your health issues known to the medical professional at the prison. The medical officer should be able to refer you to a facility where you can receive treatment. If your conditions go untreated, please inform Dan Walker during his visit. We want to be certain that you receive reasonable medical care and maintain your health while in custody.

I understand that you are frustrated with the progress of your judicial proceeding. Embassy officers are not able to intervene in the judicial system, but I encourage you to maintain close contact with your Indian attorneys. Your attorneys are qualified to give professional advice regarding local law. My American Citizens Services officers can provide information about attorneys who practice in north India, if you need it.

I wish you the best in this challenging time.

Regards,

Cynthia Haley

Consul General