

Director General of Police, Chhattisgarh, Police Headquarters Naya Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India – 492001

## Dear Director General,

**Pavitri Manjhi**, the Adivasi leader of the Bhengari village council in Chhattisgarh, faces continued threats, intimidation and harassment for her peaceful activism. She is a human rights defender, protesting the actions of two private companies who allegedly defrauded indigenous Adivasi of their land in Raigarh district.

I urge you to consult with Pavitri Manjhi and other Adivasi villagers in order to give them adequate security and protect them from further harassment.

I also urge you to investigate complaints of the harassment of Adivasi villagers and of the unlawful dispossession of land, and bring those responsible to justice.

Yours sincerely,