

Our goal is to propose specific and constructive reform to reduce killings and to promote transparency and accountability," added Heynes.

He said that at the end of the mission, Rapporteur issues a press conference describing his preliminary findings, conclusions and recommendations and within three months he produces a report that lays out in detail the results of his investigation, conclusion he has arrived at and recommendation he has for the government and if applicable the international community.

"The report is provided to the government which has a two months period to comment on the report," said Heynes.

He also described the essentiality of individual's right to life guaranteed by United Nation's charter.

Pertinently, his mission to India started on March 19 which will end on March 30 and during his scheduled press conference in New Delhi on March 30, he will reveal his preliminary findings.

On the occasion chairperson of Association of Parents of Disappeared Persons (APDP), Parveena Ahanger and senior High Court lawyer, Zafar Ahmad Shah were also present.

Ahanger apprised the Rapporteur of the state of enforced disappearances in Jammu and Kashmir and stressed him to take strong note of it and put pressure on New Delhi to contrive measures "to let us know the whereabouts of the disappeared persons in Kashmir".

On the occasion Zafar Shah said, "State has framed harsh laws like Public Safety Act which has been completely misused here and of which thousands of people became victims. Also under Disturbed Areas Act and Armed Forces Special Power Act state forces have been granted powers to kill any person on mere suspicion."

He also said that in 2010, excessive and disproportionate force was used against the people protesting against the state which claimed 117 lives.

"While the state justified these killings by giving the reason of stone-pelting and damaging of public property but no law gives the right to police to open fire on the protesting people," added Shah.

Later the Rapporteur with his team also listened to the testimonies from relatives of various victims of major fake encounters, target and indiscriminate extra-judicial killings, killings of children and young protesters in 2010, extra-judicial killings of human rights defenders.

They also met members of Bar Association and various civil society members.

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'Udaan' is targeted at providing well-paid jobs to the trained manpower in a Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode between the NSDC and corporate houses.

The talent pool of J&K youngsters, in the absence of job opportunities, becomes alienated and their potential in turning around the state economy is wasted.

By providing them jobs, the scheme proposes to channelise their energies into creative pursuits.

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with governments about specific incidents of killings and through fact-finding visits to countries in which there are allegations of unlawful killings.

"We investigate the circumstances and causes of killings, alert governments to their legal obligations and provide guidance on the measures required to prevent future violations," he said.

Before the visit, he said, the Special Rapporteur conducts intensive research into the state's institutions and its laws and on the issues that its society faces.

"During the country visit we meet government officials, diplomats, representatives of civil society, the United Nations and other institutions as well as witnesses, victims and victim family members.