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Woman detained by AP police says she was sexually assaulted by a cop

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A 27-year-old woman from Mathur who was detained by Andhra Pradesh police and later arrested and remanded in an alleged theft case a month ago was released on bail on Tuesday and levelled sexual assault charges against Chittoor police. She was admitted to Government Krishnagiri Medical College Hospital on Wednesday



afternoon.

The woman, along with seven other Kuravan people, was detained from Mattur by Andhra Pradesh police on June 11 and 12. Later, except for Iyappan and the woman, all others were released following the intervention of CPM and Tamil Pazhankudi Kuravan Sangam.

She told *TNIE*, "A cop sexually assaulted me near Puthalapattu police station in Andhra

Pradesh and asked me to abandon my husband and assured to protect me, once I got out on bail. The police also did not reveal full case details of my arrest."

Meanwhile, a seven-member fact-finding committee headed by I Aseervatham, state co-ordinator of People's Watch NGO, visited Puliyandapatti and enquired about the alleged atrocities of Andhra Pradesh police. He told *TNIE* that his team will meet the victims and also visit Andhra Pradesh.