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## Muslim men wrongly held: Govt.

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The State Minorities Commission had come out with a report stating that over 20 Muslim youth were illegally detained and tortured by the police.

Each of those youth will now be given a grant of Rs 30,000 while nearly Rs 70,000 would be arranged for them through private cooperatives.

"The youth were arrested wrongly in the Gokul Chat, Lumbini Park and Mecca Masjid blasts on the basis of suspicion but were proven innocent. Now compensation worth Rs30,00 is being paid to them in the form of autorichshaw...

### What happened

On August 25, 2007, nearly 44 people were killed, over 100 were injured when explosions ripped through the recreational centres in Lumbini Park and Hyderabad's famous Gokul Chat Bhandar in Kothi locality.

Hundreds of people had gathered to see a laser show at the Lumbini Park, situated near the Andhra state secretariat in the heart of the city.

As the show was underway, a powerful blast ripped through the middle row of the open-air auditorium at 1940 hours IST.

The blast was so powerful that some of bodies were flung into the air and scattered all over the area leaving at least seven dead and 29 injured.

Over the next two days, the city police took 25 people into custody. They were picked up from various lodges and hotels in Hyderabad on suspicion.



A blast victim in September 2006 (File Photo)

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Teesa Setalvad speaking with the media in Malegaon on October 20, 2008. Along with Justice Kolse Patil she visited Malegaon as part of a fact finding team after the September 29, blast. By October 23, it was reported that the blast in Malegaon had allegedly been carried by people linked with Hindu Militant group.