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Transgender

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Picture 1: suspension point.



Picture 4: metallic ornament at the ankle



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The incident took place in one of the guest houses in the city. The deceased was registered in the guest house as male. He was found hanging in female attire. The female attire included salwar-kammej and female undergarment- brassiere and underwear (asset of common clothing of woman). The person had a wig of long black hair at the head and silvery metallic ornaments at both the ankles. These types of ornaments are commonly put on by women in this region. Post-mortem examination revealed him to be male. He died due to hanging.

In case of transvestism person has a desire to be identified by opposite sex. We can say that it was a case of 'wrong soul in wrong body'. Such persons do have some abnormal psychiatric component. They may die due to sexual asphyxia while achieving partial hanging or may commit suicide.[1] Present case seem to be case of suicide. In our experience of thirty five years it was first case of death of transgender came to us.

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