

## Khushboo Gupta

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Madam Diya Kumari  
Honourable Deputy Chief Minister of Rajasthan

Dear Madam Kumari,

I am the victim of the attack by elephant Gouri (ride no. 86) that took place on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at Amer Fort. I was swung around and thrown to the ground. I am currently recovering from a broken leg. I am lucky to be alive.

I now know that this is the same elephant who attacked a shopkeeper in October 2022 breaking his ribs and causing other serious injuries: <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/jaipur/elephant-attacks-45-yr-old-man-in-amber-fir-lodged/articleshow/95191127.cms>.

It makes no sense that despite Gouri's obvious frustration, the government still allowed her to be used for rides. And she may still be doing this.

I do not wish for Gouri to be punished. Instead, I believe she has been punished enough by a lifetime of being trained with violence and forced to give rides, which clearly upsets her.

For Gouri's mental health and to protect other humans from a potential fatal attack, I urge you to please stop forcing Gouri to give rides and send Gouri to a sanctuary where she can begin to recover from her mental anguish, live unchained and in the company of other elephants.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please let me know this is being addressed.

Sincerely, Kochetova Mariia.

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