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Ministry of Women and Child Development

India's Report

on the Implementation of Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action

in context of the

Thirtieth Anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women

and the Adoption of

the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action

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Counsellors/ Social workers give counselling support to the aggrieved women and their families. Under the project, 2566 long term counselling sessions and 15,456 short term counselling sessions have been organised.

Speedy Justice

192. The Government of India is guided by the central dictum of 'Justice delayed, is justice denied'. This guiding principle becomes even more pivotal when the victim is a woman as crimes against women are often violent and life-altering. The psychological wounds are many times far deeper than the physical. Keeping these in mind, the Government has taken a series of far reaching measures to enable fast, credible and efficient detection, investigation and prosecution of offenders. Some of the initiatives in this direction are indicated in the subsequent paragraphs.
193. The most visible initiative, which is also the clearest indicator of the Government's resolve to ensure that justice is delivered to unfortunate women and young girls who are victims of heinous sexual offences, is the Setting up Fast Track Special Courts (FTSCs), started in 2019. So far, 790 Fast Track Special Courts (FTSCs) have been approved, out of which 755 including 410 exclusive POCSO (e-POCSO) courts are operational in 30 States/UTs, having disposed of more than 253,000 cases of rape, and offences under POCSO Act across the country. The Government is continuing with the scheme till 2026. The stupendous success of these courts can be seen from the fact that at the time of inception of this scheme, approximately 166,000 cases related to rape and under POCSO were pending and so far, the FTSCs have disposed of 253,000 cases, including new cases that took place in the intervening period.
194. MHA has approved setting-up of a state-of-the-art DNA Analysis facility at Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL), Chandigarh under the Nirbhaya Fund. The Laboratory contributes to addressing the gap of forensic DNA analysis of pending sexual assault cases in the country. The project has been completed at a cost of more than 5.2 million USD and a State-of-the-Art DNA analysis Centre has been inaugurated in December 2019. Under the project, 4 independent units fully equipped with modern DNA Profiling tools and techniques have been setup. Capacity of the Laboratory increased to handle 2,000 cases per annum for speedy disposal of cases relating to sexual assault and POCSO Act related cases.
195. An amount of about 30 million USD (Rs. 250 Crore) was approved under Nirbhaya Fund for strengthening DNA analysis cyber forensics and related facilities in 30 States. The objective of the project is to strengthen the DNA analysis and Cyber Forensic Facilities in federal states relating to cases of sexual assaults. A total of 22.2 million USD (INR 186 crore) has been provided for this project. The projects are in implementation stage and The DNA analysis facility has been established or upgraded at 30 States/ UTs.
196. Recognizing the important role played by Investigation Officers (IOs)/ Prosecution Officers (POs)/ Medical Officers (MOs) in sexual assault cases, the Government is