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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

10th Anniversary of NRI Cell

National Commission for Woman was nominated as the Coordinating agency at the National level for dealing with issues pertaining NRI marriages by the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs in the year 2008. The NRI Cell was formally established on 24th September 2009 to deal with complaints received from India and abroad on marital disputes between an Indian woman from India and an Indian man residing in another country (thus NRI - non-resident Indian), either as Indian citizen (when he would legally be an 'NRI') or as citizen of that other country (when he would legally be a PIO - person of Indian origin).

On the successful completion of 10 years of the NRI Cell, a seminar was organized by the Commission in collaboration with Punjab School of Law and National Women's Centre, Punjabi University, Patiala on 'NRI Marriages and Related Issues' on 27th September 2019 to initiate deliberations on the effectiveness of legal remedies available for the Indian women affected on account of various issues involved in NRI marriages. The Commission intends to come up with a collective and wider view on the NRI marriage related issues and rethink the existing approaches and interventions.

Hon'ble Chairperson Smt. Rekha Sharma chaired the seminar. Other attendees were Sh. A. Asholi Chalai, Joint Secretary NCW, Dr. BS Ghuman Vice Chancellor of Punjabi University, Mr. Justice (Retd.) Rakesh Kumar Punjab State Commission for NRI Chandigarh and other various stakeholders actively engaged on this issue.



WOMEN ACHIEVERS

Wing Commander Anjali Singh became India's first woman defence attaché in Air Force. She has been sent to Moscow as the Deputy Air Attache.



Academician Vispi Balaporia became the first woman president of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai.

Anupriya Lakra became the first woman pilot from a tribal region. She hails from Odisha.



Ponung Doming became Arunachal Pradesh's first woman Lieutenant Colonel.

Interactive meeting with State Women's Commission

The National Commission for Women organised one day interactive meeting with the State Women Commissions on 30th September 2019. The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble Chairperson Smt. Rekha Sharma and held at Narmada district in Gujarat. The Commission conducts interactive meetings with State Commissions for Women at regular intervals. These meetings serve

as a bridge between the Commissions so that they are able to work together efficiently as a cohesive unit for the betterment of women across the country. Members and Chairpersons of various commissions exchange their views on burning issues related to women in these meetings.

News on Women

Indian Army aims to induct 100 women soldiers every year for the next 17 years to reach 1700 women soldiers in the Military Police. As per reports, the selection of the first 100 women soldiers is underway and their training (for 61 weeks) will start in December this year.



India's first International Women's Trade Centre (iWTC), under the Gender Park in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The centre, to be set up in Kozhikode, also aims to secure gender pay parity.



The first all women post office started operations in Patna this month. Christened '**Mahila Dak Ghar**', the post office is situated on the premises of the Bihar Public Service Commission. This Mahila Dak Ghar will offer both traditional and modern services. Post offices in India are used not just to post or speed post items and letters or documents but it's a centre for paying bills, registering fixed deposits under the postal schemes and for money transfers.



From Capacity Building Cell

One day session on Cyber Security & Investigation

The National Commission for Women conducted a one-day session on 'Cyber Security and Investigation' on 25th September 2019 for police officers across

the country. 87 attendees deliberated on various topics related to cyber security like the need for sensitization of law enforcement agencies on cyber crime, laws on cyber crimes against women, evidence collection and content



removal, role of Government in curbing cyber crimes and online financial frauds.

Gender Sensitization & Legal Awareness Programme for KVS students

National Commission for Women believes that introducing gender sensitization and legal awareness programme at school level would facilitate inculcating values of equality, inclusivity and diversity for adolescent boys and girls, which are essential for building a healthy society. With this thought, the Commission launched a pilot comprehensive and integrated programme on gender sensitization and legal awareness with the students of Class 11th and 12th,

Kendriya Vidyalaya (Delhi Region) in collaboration with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. The programme was launched on 11th September 2019.

Legal Awareness Programme for students of Colleges, Central & State Universities

National Commission for Women has launched a one day countrywide legal awareness Programme for students of Central and State Universities and Colleges affiliated to them and UGC deemed Universities on 9th September 2019. Ninety-two institutions have been onboarded so far under the initiative.

Capacity Building Programme for women police officials

The National Commission for Women has been conducting Gender Sensitization workshops and programmes across the country for Police Personnel/ Judicial Officers, with a view to sensitize them on gender issues. The Commission organized a one day Gender Sensitization Workshops in the following cities in collaboration with the State Police as per the table given below.

S. No.	City	State	Date
1.	Chandigarh	Punjab	16 th September 2019
2.	Mumbai	Maharashtra	23 rd September 2019
3.	Patna	Bihar	27 th September 2019
4.	Haridwar	Uttarakhand	30 th September 2019
5.	Jaipur	Rajasthan	30 th September 2019

Capacity Building Programme for women police officials

In addition to this, National Commission for Women also organized three day capacity building programme for women police officials. The details of these programmes are given in the table below.

S. No.	City	State	Date
1.	Shimla	Himachal Pradesh	11 th -13 th September 2019
2.	Puducherry	-	18 th -20 th September 2019



Complaints taken up by Suo-motu Cell and complaints resolved in September 2019

S. No.	Month	No. of Cases taken up	No. of ATR replies received	No. of cases closed
1.	Sep 2019	16	42	11

Programmes Attended by:

Chairperson, Smt. Rekha Sharma

- Held a meeting with the State Government officials in Chennai regarding the implementation of Central Govt. schemes for women in Tamil Nadu on 6th and 7th September 2019.
- Attended a consultation workshop on 'Empowering women for Sustained Development' in Chennai on 8th September 2019.
- Held an inquiry on a rape case of a former inmate of Swadhar Greh in Muzaffarpur on 20th September 2019.
- Chaired a seminar on Gender Sensitization 'Gender Equality: The Scale Never Gets Even!' organized by GLS Law College in Ahmedabad on 27th September 2019.

Member Chandramukhi Devi

- Visited Kandhamal, Gajapati, Rayagada, Karaput and Nabarangpur districts of Odisha from 14th to 21st September 2019 to take stock of the implementation of the Central Government Schemes in the state.



Member Kamlesh Gautam

- Visited Chandrashekhar Azad Agriculture University, Kanpur for inquiry in a case on 13th September 2019

Member Soso Shaiza

- Visited Udalguri, Baksa, Barpeta, Darrang and Goalpara districts of Assam from 23rd to 27th September 2019 to take stock of the implementation of the Central Government Schemes in the state.



- Attended Rashtriya Dalit Adivasi Mahila Andolan (RDAMA) convention on 'Justice for Women from Margins at Gandhi Peace Foundation on 13th September 2019.
- Attended the 13th foundation day of Manipur State Commission for Women as the guest of Honour on 16th September 2019.

Member Dr. Rajulben L. Desai

- Visited Karauli, Dholpur, Jaisalmer, Barmer and Sirohi districts of Rajasthan from 17th to 25th September 2019 to take stock of the implementation of the Central Government Schemes in the state.



Member Ms. Shyamala S Kundar

- Visited Swadhar Greh at Varanasi on 30th September 2019.



Complaints taken up by NRI Cell and complaints resolved in September 2019

Month	Complaints Received	Complaints Closed (Old+New)
September 2019	55	11

Complaints received in Complaint & Investigation Cell and complaints resolved in September 2019

Month	Complaints Received	Complaints Closed (Old+New)
September 2019	2379	1746