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Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
Women Safety Division

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New Delhi – 110001.

Date: 23.1.22, January, 2022.

To,

1. The Addl. Chief Secretaries/Pr. Secretary (Home)/Home Secretaries of all States/UTs.
2. The Directors General of Police of all States/UTs.

**Subject: Fifth Report of Parliamentary Committee on Empowerment of Women for the year 2021-22 – Recommendation thereof.**

Sir,

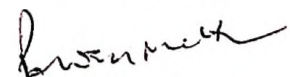
I am directed to refer to the fifth report on the Parliamentary Committee on Empowerment of Women for the year 2021-22. Extract from Para 8.iv of the report, has been reproduced as below :-

“The Committee find that over the last 25 years, only 617 convictions were given out of 3158 Court Cases registered under Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 1994 (PC & PNDT Act) and Rajasthan and Maharashtra which have recorded the lowest Sex Ratio at Birth, 871 and 880 respectively, in 2016-18 are having the highest number of court case/police case pending i.e. 604 and 753. The Committee also find that in 18 out of 36 States/UTs have neither got any case registered or have any convictions so far. The Committee has every reason to believe that the delay in arriving at final decision in the pending cases has a tendency to dilute the spirit of PC&PNDT Act. Therefore, the Committee in no uncertain words recommend that the Ministry should make all out efforts in consonance with all other concerned Ministries so that the finality is reached in such pending cases within six months.”

2. As observed by the Parliamentary Committee, it is requested that necessary instructions may be issued to all concerned to take appropriate action in cases registered under PC&PNDT Act so that conviction rate in such cases may improve, at the earliest.

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Yours' faithfully,



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- (with the request to sensitize the Government Counsels with respect to above referred recommendations of Parliamentary Committee)