



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

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On that memorable Independence Day, NCW celebrated the indomitable strength of women that had propelled our nation forward. As NCW unfurled the tricolor, Commission also unfurled opportunities, equality, and empowerment for every woman. This marked a significant stride towards a nation led by women's empowerment. NCW Staff has also adopted the PANCH PRAN Pledge, aiming to eliminate the mentality of slavery, instill pride in our traditions, promote unity and integrity, and foster a sense of duty among every citizen for a developed India.



Hon'ble Chairperson, Ms. Rekha Sharma convened a momentous gathering in Lucknow, bringing together Ms. Sahib Ahmad, Member of the UP Waqf Board, and distinguished Muslim women from various districts across Uttar Pradesh. This gathering addressed pressing issues that Muslim women encounter in their daily lives, with a focus on highlighting the pivotal role of the NCW in providing unwavering support to empower these remarkable women.



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On mission to enhance legal awareness among women, NCW has been diligently organizing Legal Awareness Camps in partnership with the National Legal Services Authority since 2020. These efforts have progressed through three distinct phases: the Pilot Project, the PAN India Project, and grassroots initiatives at the Taluka Level. Notably, the Valedictory ceremony on August 6th saw the presence of esteemed individuals, including Hon'ble Justice Mr. Sanjay Kishan Kaul, Executive Chairman, NALSA & Judge of Supreme Court and NCW's Chairperson, Ms. Rekha Sharma, lending significant importance to the occasion. NCW's primary goal is to equip women with essential legal knowledge, advocate for gender equality, and ensure justice for all. In collaboration with NALSA, we are unwaveringly dedicated to realizing the vision of 'Sabka Nyaya' (justice for all) and the empowerment of women.



NCW organized a significant seminar on cyber safety and digital empowerment, convening experts and stakeholders to discuss vital aspects of online security and technology empowerment. During the event, the Hon'ble Chairperson, Ms. Rekha Sharma, emphasized the vulnerability of women in the cyber landscape and encouraged them to confidently embrace digital platforms. Mr. Indevan Pandey, Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development, shared inspiring anecdotes about aanganwadi workers who have leveraged technology to bring about positive change in their field, underscoring the transformative potential of digital platforms in empowering individuals and communities. This seminar was a testament to the commitment to creating a safer and more inclusive digital environment, and NCW remains dedicated to advancing women's rights and safety in the digital age.

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The NCW organised a Regional Consultation Meeting concerning Swadhar Grehs in Thiruvananthapuram, bringing together State Women Commissions from Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Lakshadweep and Puducherry. The event witnessed the participation of over 250 attendees and featured discussions on innovative empowerment strategies, shifts in funding, and opportunities for collaboration.



While delivering a speech at a workshop on Preventing Sexual Harassment (POSH) for corporate employees held at Jai Hind College in Mumbai, the Honorable Chairperson, Ms. Rekha Sharma, underscored the significance of ensuring equal opportunities and a secure working environment for women in order to facilitate their contributions to India's advancement. She also highlighted that the talent pool is evenly distributed and stressed the importance of unlocking its full potential.



Members of NCW, Ms. Delina Khondgup and Ms. Mamta Kumari, visited Bhilwara and conducted a detailed discussion with the DM & SP about the ongoing investigation. They promptly engaged with the authorities to gather comprehensive information.

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In collaboration with the Uttarakhand State Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (USIRD&PR), the National Commission for Women (NCW) conducted a training program for women elected representatives from Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies in Uttarakhand, held in Rudrapur, Udham Singh Nagar. Additionally, NCW, in partnership with the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, is running Entrepreneurship Awareness Programs in 100 cities across India. Furthermore, at the State Institute of Panchayati Raj and Rural Development in Jaipur, the third batch of Elected Women Representatives gathers for a transformative residential program, where they enhance their decision-making and communication skills. In this endeavor, the National Commission for Women stands as the guiding light, cultivating a generation of empowered and confident women leaders.



NCW hosted a Canadian delegation, including Ms. Alia Butt - Assistant Deputy Minister, Department of Women and Gender Equality of Canada; Ms. Amanda Stephan - Deputy High Commissioner; and Ms. Stefanie Bergeron - First Secretary, Canada High Commission. The Member Secretary, Ms. Meenakshi Negi, and her team engaged in fruitful discussions regarding India and Canada's Gender Equality objectives. They also shared best practices to foster cooperation between the two nations.