



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

“REGIONAL CONSULTATION MEET”

Background Note

The National Commission for Women Act, 1990, the National Commission for Women (NCW) was constituted on 31st January, 1992, as a Statutory Body to safeguard and promote the rights and interests of women. The Commission has been mandated to investigate and examine the legal safeguards provided to women under the Constitution and other laws and recommends to the Government, the measures for their effective implementation.

The Commission is also mandated to review the existing provisions of the Constitution and other laws affecting women and recommend amendments to meet any lacunae, inadequacies or shortcomings in such laws; to look into complaints and take Suo-Motu notice on matters relating to deprivation of women’s rights, etc. and take up issues with appropriate authorities; take up research studies on issues of relevance to women, Gender Sensitization for Police Officers, participate and advise in the planning process for socio economic development of women, evaluate socioeconomic progress, inspect Jails, remand homes, etc. where women are kept under custody and seek remedial action wherever necessary. The Commission, as such, is tasked with the responsibility of addressing the concerns of women and help in designing, implementing and monitoring activities, implementation of laws, policies and programmes for empowerment of women.

The National Commission for Women celebrated its 30th Foundation Day on 31st January 2022 and the Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi delivered his address on ‘She – The

Change Maker'. Since its inception, the Commission has been regularly conducting programmes, awareness campaigns, workshops and seminars /consultations throughout the country on diverse issues concerning women. The Commission under section 10 (k) of the NCW Act, 1990 is also mandated to inspect or cause to inspected, women Institutions or Institutions where women are kept as prisoners or otherwise and take up with the concerned authorities for remedial action, if found necessary.

In view of the above, the National Commission for Women is organizing a Regional Consultation Meet with different stakeholders in order to discuss the synergy for stronger implementation of Government schemes for protection of women's rights. The Consultation will bring different stakeholders on the same platform and suggest the concrete resolutions in achieving the objectives of the Commission. The one- day Consultation meet will be focused on two broad objectives viz Consultation with different stakeholders on the *Achievements of National Commission for Women since 2014* and Consultation with *NGOs on Swadhar Grehs, UJJAWALA and One Stop Centre*.