



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

NCW team to visit Mumbai's Byculla Jail on April 27

PRESS NOTE

26th April, 2018: As part of its mandate, the National Commission for Women (NCW) inspects jails, remand homes, women's institutions or other places of custody where women are kept as prisoners across the country. Furthermore, in order to formulate a manual for comprehensive prison reforms for women inmates the NCW has taken up an initiative to visit all Jails in India.

Accordingly, on 27th April a team from the Commission, led by Chairperson (I/c) Smt. Rekha Sharma, will be visiting Mumbai's Byculla Jail to study the conditions of the women inmates and to get a better understanding of the best prevalent practices which could be replicated elsewhere.

The inspections are being carried out for assessing the facilities available to women inmates in jails, their adequacy and welfare of women prisoners and children who reside with these inmates. A detailed Proforma has been devised by the Commission for this purpose which is available in the public domain.

The team will look at various aspects including overcrowding, availability of legal help, rehabilitation plans including skill development and training, legal awareness and legal help for women inmates, proper facilities for the small children of these inmates among others.
