



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

NCW constitutes committee to inspect all Swadhar Grehs set up under the scheme being run by Ministry of Women & Child Development

PRESS NOTE

New Delhi, 14th August, 2018: The National Commission for Women (NCW) has constituted an Inquiry Committee to conduct inspections of all Swadhar Grehs (Shelter Homes) in the country funded by the Ministry of Women and Child Development.

Taking cognizance of news reports in the print and electronic media regarding sexual exploitation of women in Swadhar Grehs (Shelter Homes) and the frightening ordeal of women housed in such centers, the NCW constituted the three-member Committee on 14th August, 2018.

The Committee will inquire into the working of all Shelter Homes run under the Swadhar Greh Scheme of the Ministry of Women & Child Development and action taken by authorities. The Swadhar Greh Scheme was set up by the government for women victims of difficult circumstances who are in need of institutional support for rehabilitation.

In the first phase, the Inquiry Committee formed by the NCW will inspect Swadhar Grehs (Shelter Homes) in the states of Bihar, Karnataka, Mizoram, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

The Committee will submit its reports and recommendations to the Commission within a period of one week after carrying out inspections of each Swadhar Greh (Shelter Home).

The Committee will also meet and interact with inmates of Swadhar Grehs (Shelter Homes), concerned authorities, officials and non-officials, and other such persons as considered necessary to ascertain facts and to finalise its findings and make recommendations.

The inspection of Swadhar Grehs (Shelter Homes) in the six identified states will be completed within 45 days from 14th August, 2018.
