

## National Commission for Women

### Press Release

**10<sup>th</sup> July 2012**

Mrs. Mamta Sharma, Chairperson, National Commission for Women constituted an "Inquiry Committee" to inquire into the alleged incident of 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012 wherein a woman MP from Dahod Constituency was allegedly physically assaulted by Gujarat Police. Adv. Mrs. Nirmala Samant Prabhavalkar, Member of National Commission for Women along with one member visited Dahod on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2012 to inquire into the matter. The Inquiry Committee has recommended that such incidence should not take place in future where a person is subjected to humiliation or violence whether she is a dignitary or not. The State Government has also been directed to inquire into the said detention order under Sections 68 & 69 of Bombay Police Act for taking appropriate action as per law against those officials who are found guilty.

The Chairperson is of the view that the officers of the State Government should refrain themselves from doing or taking law in their own hands to suppress the constitutional rights of any individual, whether he/she is an MP or a common citizen.