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Press Release on inquiry made by National Commission for women into the complaint titled "इंदौर जेल में गर्भवती महिला का गर्भपात" wherein reportedly a female undertrial aborted in jail.

After looking into the facts and circumstances of the present case the Commission strongly recommends the following:

## **RECOMMENDATIONS-**

## Victim oriented

- The Superintendent of jail to ensure provision of free legal aid to the female undertrial for bail. A good senior lawyer to be engaged who is able to present her case as that of a victim of **domestic violence and trafficking**, specially in view of opinion of the Hon'ble High Court.
- To ensure proper medical treatment and counselling to the female undertrial as she not physically and mentally fit; having been a victim of violence herself and recently undergone medical termination of pregnancy.

## Government of Madhya Pradesh:-

- To request the Hon'ble High Court to expedite pending appeals of women who have been convicted and undergone more than 5 years of jail, specially those who have been victims of domestic violence themselves.
- To ensure provision of proper medical facilities to female inmates of the jail; specially regular visits/check -up by gynecologist and psychiatrist.
- To include gender issues and laws for protection of women, in the education syllabus. In addition to wide dissemination of the knowledge of the laws, namely, Protection of Women from Domestic Violence 2005, through gender sensitization camps in rural areas, so that women are able to access the justice system.
- To prevent and eliminate trafficking State Government to take assistance of victim for raiding premises used by traffickers.

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