

NATIONAL CONSULTATION TO REVIEW THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROTECTION OF WOMEN FROM DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ACT, 2005 AND THE DOWRY PROHIBITION ACT, 1961.

**11TH and 12th January 2012.
Hall No 5, Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi**

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

11th January 2012

Time	Session
10:00 am	Registration
10:20am – 10:25am	Welcome - Economic Adviser, Ministry of Women & Child Development.
10:25 am – 10:35 am	Opening Remarks - Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development.
10:35 am – 10:45 am	Address - Ms Indira Jaising, Addl Solicitor General of India and Director, Lawyers Collective Women’s Rights Initiative
10:45 am – 11.00 am	TEA
11:00 pm – 1:15 pm	Status of implementation of the PWDVA, 2005 (<i>Presentation by states for 7-10 minutes each based on the guidelines provided</i>) (contd....)
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	LUNCH
2:15 pm- 2:25 pm	Film Screening “ <i>Mann Ke Manjeere</i> ” and “ <i>Bell Bajao Campaign</i> ”
2:25 pm – 2:45 pm	Presentation on “ <i>Challenges in implementation and Best practices adopted under the PWDVA, 2005</i> ” – (Lawyers Collective)
2:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Status of implementation of the PWDVA, 2005 (<i>Presentation by states for 7-10 minutes each based on the guidelines provided</i>).
4:00 pm – 4:15 pm	TEA
4:15 pm – 5:25 pm	Open House Discussion
5:25 pm- 5:30 pm	Vote of Thanks

12th January 2012

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10:00 am	Registration
10:15 am – 10:20 am	Welcome - Economic Adviser, Ministry of Women & Child Development.
10:20 am – 10:30 am	Opening Remarks - Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development.
10:30 am- 11:30 am	Status of implementation of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 <i>(Presentation by states for 7 minutes each based on the guidelines provided).</i>
11:30 am-11:45 am	TEA
11:45 am –1:15 pm	Status of implementation of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 <i>(Presentation by states for 7-minutes each based on the guidelines provided).</i>
1:15 pm- 2:15 pm	LUNCH
2:15 pm- 2:45 pm	Presentation on “ <i>Challenges in implementation and Best practices adopted under the DPA, 1961</i> ”- (Lawyers Collective).
2:45 pm- 3:45 pm	Open House Discussion
3:45 pm- 3:50 pm	Vote of Thanks
3:50 pm- 4:00 pm	TEA

GUIDELINES FOR PRESENTATION BY STATES ON THE STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROTECTION OF WOMEN FROM DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ACT, 2005 AND THE DOWRY PROHIBITION ACT, 1961.

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I. Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005

1. Appointment of Protection Officers - Total number appointed, level (*District/Block and others*) at which appointed, nature of appointment (*Independent/Additional*), nature of infrastructural (*staff, phone, mobile, vehicle etc*) support provided.
2. Duties carried out Protection officers- assist the woman in accessing services, assist the Court (service of notice, enforcement of orders), counselling, any other pre litigation and post litigation role.
3. Registration of other stakeholders - Service Providers (SPs), Medical Facilities (MFs) and Shelter Homes (SHs), total numbers registered, level (District/block and others) at which registered.
4. Role of Police – service of notice, enforcement of orders and breach of orders.
5. Nature of reporting structure put in place for all stakeholders (POs, SPs, MFs and SHs)to supervise their working.
6. Steps taken for coordination amongst all stakeholders.
7. Total number of cases filed under the PWDVA, 2005 in the past 3 years (2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11).
8. Nature of relief most commonly sought by the woman and nature of relief most commonly granted.
9. Average time taken for granting of reliefs.
10. Mechanism for feedback/follow up on cases from the Courts.
11. Budget allocated for the effective implementation of the PWDVA.
12. Nature of trainings and awareness generation programmes undertaken by the States.
13. Challenges faced in implementing the law.
14. Best practices followed for effective implementation.

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II. Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961.

1. Dowry Prohibition Officers – Total number appointed, level (District/Block and others) at which appointed, nature (additional/independent) of appointment and qualifications.
2. Number of complaints received by the DPOs till date and details of action taken.
3. Do DPO's take suo *motto* cognizance of cases?
4. Total number of cases filed under the DPA in the past 3 years.
5. Average time taken for disposal of cases.
6. Constitution of Advisory Boards and if regular meetings are conducted
7. Trainings provided to various stakeholders and steps taken to create Awareness on the DPA particularly by DPO.
8. Best practices adopted for effective implementation.

Any IEC material Developed by the State/UT may be brought for the meeting in order to share with other States.