PRESS RELEASE

The Chairperson of NCW, Smt. Mamta Sharma on being asked by a number of NGOs, social activists and victimized women visited AIIMS and Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi, where she personally interacted with rape victims aged between 3-12 years.

The National Commission for Women(NCW) is seriously concerned about the spate of rape and assault cases against women and especially minor girls students in the city of Delhi.

The interaction brought forth the case of one 5 year old girl, who was allegedly tortured and brutally raped by a 25 year old casual labourer. She had suffered severe injuries in her private parts and needs reconstructive surgery.

The Chairperson on behalf of NCW extended a helping hand to the victim by assuring her family of a financial aid of Rs 1 lacs, granted by Delhi Legal Services Authority (DLSA). In addition to the aid, her father was also offered a private job to provide economic security to the family.

Another case which emerged was of a 13 years old girl, who was raped and then in that trauma, she tried to commit suicide twice. She was mentally disturbed, depressed and dejected because of the trauma that she had faced.

NCW took an initiative to provide her a new ray of hope of life by counselling her on a regular basis, so that she comes out of her fear and looks forward to life with a positive approach. A financial aid of Rs 1 lac to be granted by Delhi Legal Services Authority (DLSA) has also been assured to the victim.

Two more cases were noticed wherein of a 4-1/2 year old child was raped and her throat was slit. And in the other case where a 5 year old child was also subjected to rape. Their families being poverty ridden are unable to carry out the medical expenses of the treatment. NCW has given their family an assurance of meeting their financial requirements as early as possible.

The Chairperson, NCW has requested and recommended to the Chief Minister of Delhi to grant a suitable financial assistance to the above rape victims so that they can approach life with an optimistic attitude.