



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

PRESS NOTE

NCW takes cognizance

New Delhi, September 2, 2022: The National Commission for Women has come across media articles wherein it is reported that four women who underwent tubectomy at a government-sponsored sterilization camp in Telangana's Ranga Reddy district have succumbed to various complications arising out the surgery.

The reported crime is a matter of serious concern. The Commission has constituted a 2-member Inquiry Committee headed by Member Secretary, NCW Ms Meeta Rajivlochan which will reach the state today. The team will visit the hospital and meet concerned authorities as part of its inquiry.

Chairperson Ms Rekha Sharma has written to Chief Secretary, Telangana to conduct an independent inquiry in the matter. The Commission has written that the incident is a case of medical negligence and licenses of the concerned doctors must be revoked and they should be suspended with immediate effect. A copy of the letter has also been sent to Health Secretary, Telangana.

The Commission has also written to the Director General of Police, Telangana to register FIR and to conduct a fair and time-bound investigation in the matter. Action taken must be apprised to the Commission within five days.