Sexual Offences Against Women: India’s Legal Perspective

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ABSTRACT

The concept of equality and nondiscrimination is place on account of Indian constitution. Besides, it also enables the state to adopt different measures of affirmative discrimination in favor of women. Laws tend to be gradually, focusing on detailed forms of brutality rather than dealing expansively with all forms of hostility against women. When the law is input, there is frequently feeble law enforcement. Complementary to that the stable throw away to the woman children, which as element from having adverse result on their health also creates emotional background for them in which they cannot protect against any bodily bloodshed or a number of forms of injustices.

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1 INTRODUCTION

The Indian constitution which is the fundamental law of the nation contains numbers of provisions for the benefit of poor and protection of the women. The concept of equality and nondiscrimination is place on account of Indian constitution. Besides, it
also enables the state to adopt different measures of affirmative discrimination in favor of women. Apart from fundamental rights, some specific provisions to ensure the rights of women have also been incorporated in Directive Principles of State Policy. In addition to constitutional protection and different legislations, gender discrimination and injustice continue to occur. On account of those who put into effect the laws or understand do not always completely share the attitude of gender fair dealing idea.

Violence against women is a violation of fundamental freedoms and rights, such as the right to liberty and security, as mentioned in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union (EU, 2000). Violence against women can be domestic as well as public, physical, emotional or mental. Women have fear of violence in their mind which causes the lack of participation in various areas of life. Deep impact of the trauma remains in their minds even after post-violence corrective measures and rehabilitation.

Indian women are, by and large, handicapped with admiration to all the fundamentals important for right to use to fairness. The extensive illiteracy, the educational barriers and subordination is very universal. The frosty development of law has kept most concerned women absent from the law and courts. Mistreated women have a variety of experiences with the state criminal justice systems. They cannot forever depend on the illegal justice system for their protection or treatment. In terms of antagonism fighting against women, there frequently exist gaps and ambiguities in the laws criminalizing antagonism. Laws tend to be gradually, focusing on detailed forms of brutality rather than dealing expansively with all forms of hostility against women. When the law is in put, there is frequently feeble law enforcement. This leads to wounded indifference and be suspicious of and evasion of the system. In a optimistic situations, i.e., the nastiness and dowry deaths, fraudulence among police and other enforcement officials works as a main impediment.

The Governmental organisations, social organizations, women’s organizations, voluntary organizations and NGOs should come in front to hand round the reason of rape victims. There is a very important need to take amend in the position of the police establishment in the matters of cases relating to rape. They should have a considerate approach towards the injured of rape and the necessary in order to maintain should be provided to the victims.

Indian Penal Code, 1860, intends to punish each person for each act or error disparate to the provisions of which he shall be guilty within India and acts devoted outside India which are dedicated offences by the Act. Crime means an object made
carrying a punishment of by this code, or under any scrupulous or local law. The punishments to which offenders are answerable under the amendment of this Code are short-lived away or incarceration for life both conscientious and uncomplicated, or punishment of property fine. In patriarchal human race, under family system, the head of the family has to maintain the entire family. Under this circumstance, the state of affairs of women, whether she belongs to is a daughter, wife or mother in Hindu law, Muslim law, and Christian law is under the shield of the men. Family arrangement is the endurance of the humankind. Infects male or female are two halves of human race none of the two can reach your destination at its utmost creative dominance without collaboration of the earlier. From first to last the ages, a woman is the look after of mankind but the on the whole dreadful cruelties have biased her survival. Even in the recent origin, the status of women has not improved significantly. They have been the victims of violence and ill-treatment by male under enemy control civilization all over the earth. Equal opportunity between man and women was approximately unknown toes before the presentation of the Constitution of India.

She is frequently a victim of bodily violence not only external outside her home but also in her residence. Complementary to that the stable throw away to the woman children, which as element from having adverse result on their health also creates emotional background for them in which they cannot protect against any bodily bloodshed or a number of forms of injustices. Miserably, women have been discriminated in every spheres of survival in all society with diverse extent and breadth all through the ages. A variety of types of crimes and violence are inflicted on them Rape, wife beating, eve teasing, sexual and bodily frustration, financial misuse etc., are some of significant crimes, and current women frequently faces.

Before independence legislations on parting, dishonest transfer in women and children, marriage and other enactments related to special laws have pointed down the range of lawful sex presentation to such an amount that there has been an huge increase against women in modern times.

“Sex is a emotional occurrence and putting any type of forbid sexual desires may lead to anxious loss of feeling and pleasure.”

With the advance of knowledge, civilization and culture, the complexities of life have tremendously multiplied. Present mechanization and urbanization have brought about total breakdown of the family institution which has shaped serious trouble in human life. The shortest of parents over their wards has injured considerably. In fact, it is this parental pay no attention to which is mostly answerable
for increasing indiscipline, rowdyism and vagrancy among young people. Uncontrollable hooliganism among youths has become a common complexity for law enforcement agencies throughout the universe. It has rather become a frequent disease. As a result of this depressed growth, the incidence of sex criminal behaviour in the form of unmarried motherhood, abortion, rape, kidnapping, enticement, abduction, adultery, incest, indecent etc. has become too common.

Sexual offences properly take the form of sexual violence, which sometimes cause cruel and enduring damage to the bodily and mental physical condition of the wounded. Physical grievance includes an inflamed danger of a variety of sexual and reproductive health effort. Its contact on mental health can be consistently harsh as that of bodily injury. Sexual offences, when they assume the form of sexual violence may lead to put to death, suicide, acute despair, etc. of victims. It completely disturbs the community well being of the fatalities because of stigmatisation and the significant loss of arrangement in their families and the area. The leading power of this paper is to know the incidence of sex related offences in terms of armed forces performance in the process of their perpetration, their degree and amount, and their evasion and manage means.

Like any other Western nation, sex misconduct in India has too recorded an rising development in present decades. Despite harsh socio-legal method to control sex crime, the ‘permissive’ propensity of the present-day India humankind is causing an obstruction for hearing and punishment of sexual-offenders. These offences therefore, have panicky a great before the illegal administration.

A legitimate law that provides that it is an offence to intentionally ground another person to get on in a surplus sexual act by power or hazard and it causes sexual offences include such as rape, sodomy, and sexual maltreatment. Most States have laws, which differ from State to State, on registration of sexual offenders. The registered sex offenders are having mandatory law to inform the local locality powers that be of their career so that the society may have right of entry in order to get sexual predators in their neighbourhood.

To force a woman by a male with the purpose to have sexual intercourse is normally called a sexual offence. It is well accepted fact that rape usually occurs, as sexual intercourse with an individual by required demands or sexual intercourse with a individual who is not competent of permission on the grounds of being physical unable to help or emotionally out of action. Sodomy is alike to rape. Apart from that is involves deviate sexual behaviour, as conflicting to intercourse. Sexual ill-treatment
involves similar fundamentals of forces or be short of approval, but involves sexual in handle with, rather than intercourse or progress away sexual acts.

The following are some of the important reasons attributable to the commission of sexual offences:

1) Breakdown of the joint system
2) Development in science and technology
3) Relocation and industrialisation
4) Contradictory civilization and spiritual differences
5) Mechanization and urbanization
6) Lack of parental and social control
7) The educational system, sans morality and ethics
8) Poverty and aggravation
9) Abnormal sexual instincts
10) Dissatisfaction with family life and life at workplace
11) A protractive system of administration of justice and enforcement of the law
12) Media and communication channel
13) Internet facility and information technology
14) Extreme beauty and attractive personality
15) Lonesome living conditions

The occurrence of sexual offences has become so common that today’s civilized the social order has misplaced all significance and reached a phase to looking upon such incidents as part of the usual manner of human behaviour.

There is a common belief among biologists and sex specialists that geographically also sex is a large painkilling remedy. It cures the unwell and makes the in good physical shape persons well again. The hormonal movement that takes position during sexual intercourse is an energetic nourish to every division of the remains caused due to enlarge circulation of blood and nutrients. It is also said that good sex life will have more beneficial living than a person with aggravated and self-calm sexual existence.

### 2 REASONS FOR INCREASE IN SEXUAL OFFENCES

The aspiration to have a change in habit sexual life and the desire to have a multiplicity of sexual source of revenue is foremost people to expand extra-marital or pre-marital relations.

1) Lack of personality and superego
2) Usual advantage of man
3) Superior and specialised education and donation of woman in creative processes.
4) Hooliganism
5) Rowdyism in the centre of young person
6) Obscene advertisements, TV’s and cinemas
7) extraordinary habit and costume including cosmetics and perfumes
8) Intoxication, drugs habit
9) madness

Opportunities created by situation like isolation and late marriages are also reason important to sexual offences. Contacts between male and female young people lead to familiarity which sometimes results in enthusiasm and tempting sexual intercourse amounting to sexual offences when done with. Once having such an experience, it is scarcely promising to oppose the sex advise and therefore the parties desire to do again it again and again fully meaningful well that it is against the law which finally turns them to become recidivists.

When an illicit intercourse result into pregnancy the pregnant woman with a view to cover up her against the law do something and to obtain rid of the imagine child would like to undertake abortion, which itself is a crime and sometimes it is not probable to go for abortion option some women rather to get rid of the new-born child by throwing in a road-side dustbin or selling not here the child to intending purchasers or killing and burying the child somewhere else.

Therefore, this paper is intended to discuss about the variety of sexual offences against women with the help of different cases. Furthermore, it is also discuss about the punishments given for them under IPC, and about marital rape from legal perspective.

3 PROVISIONS RELATED TO SEXUAL OFFENCE IN INDIA

A. Indian Penal Code, 1860
1) Section 375 : an individual who may commits rape shall be punishable with imprisonment not less than 7 years which may be extended to 10 years or life imprisonment
2) Section 376A: This section deals with intercourse by a man with his wife during his severance and shall be punished with scrupulous imprisonment not less than 20 years and it may expand to imprisonment for life.
3) Section 376B: This section imposes on intercourse by a public servant with a woman in his custody and punishable 2 years but may extend to 7 years with fine.

4) Section 376C: This section prohibits on intercourse by any member of the management of the staff of a hospital with any woman in that hospital and punished with rigorous imprisonment for not less than 10 years with fine.

5) Section 354: deals with assault or criminal force to woman with intent to outrage her modesty and shall be liable to punishment for 5 years with fine.

6) Section 372: It has been pointed out that dealing with selling or buying of minors for the reason of prostitution carrying a punishment of with 10 years of imprisonment with fine.

7) Section 377: It has been recommended that unnatural offences (homosexuality, bestiality etc.) punishable with imprisonment for life or for 10 years with fine.

8) Section 493: cohabitation caused by a man deceitfully inducing a belief of lawful marriage punished for 10 years imprisonment with fine.

9) Section 494: marriage once more during lifetime husband or wife and may be punishable with 7 years of imprisonment with fine.

10) Section 495: marriage again during lifetime of husband or wife by concealing earlier marriage from person with whom succeeding marriage is contacted and may commits such thing he will be punished with 10 years with fine.

11) Section 496: After going through marriage falsely without lawful marriage punished with 7 years imprisonment with fine.

12) Section 497: This section deals with wife or another person punishable with 5 years of imprisonment and fine.

13) Section 498A: Under this section enticing taking away or detaining married woman with criminal intent to have illicit intercourse with her and punishment for 3 years imprisonment with fine.

14) Section 373: This section laid down within the purview of buying, hiring or otherwise obtaining possession of any person under the age of 18 years for prostitution or illicit intercourse. Punished with 10 years of imprisonment with fine.

**B. Remedies for the Indian constitution**

1) Article 32 deals with for the remedies of the enforcement of fundamental rights conferred in part-III.

2) Article 14 provides for equality before the law
3) Article 15 provides for the prohibition of discrimination on grounds of religion, race, caste, sex, and place of birth.
4) Article 19 (1)(g) provides for the freedom to practice any profession, or to carry on any occupation, trade or business.
5) Article 21 provides for protection of life and personal liberty.

C. POSCO Act

As far as the offence of sexual violence against children is concerned, the law is gender unbiased. This Act uses the word “SEXUAL ASSAULT” instead of the word “RAPE”. All offences under POCSO Act are measured as serious offences. And they are non-bailable and cognizable and the trial is to be recommended by the Court of Session.

1) Section 3: penetrative sexual physical attack
2) Section 5: Maddened penetrated sexual attack
3) Section 7: Touching a child with sexual purpose
4) Section 9: irritated sexual physical attack
5) Section 11: Sexual beating
6) Section 13 and 15: uses a child for pornography
7) Section 19-21: Section 19 (1) any person who has knowledge of sexual offence committed or likely to be committed.
8) Section 20: management and staff of media, hotels, lodges, hospitals, clubs, studio and photographic facilities.
9) Section 21: failure to report or record is punishable
10) Section 21(3) however, a child fails to report is not punishable.

4 RAPE IN INDIA’S LEGAL PERSPECTIVE

Rape or rupture is where a man has carnal knowledge of a woman by force and against her will; or as expressed more fully rape is the carnal knowledge of any woman, above the age of particular years, against her will; or of a woman child under that age, with or against her will. The essential words in an indictment of rape are or any other circumlocution without the word rapist, are not sufficient in a legal sense to express rape. It is violation, with violence of the private plea person of a woman, an outrage by all means. By the very nature of the offence it is an obnoxious act of the highest order.¹

It is virtually a living death for a woman yet the victim of forcible sexual intercourse is treated as an accomplice in a society which values chastity as the most important attribute of womanhood and does not hesitate to test by it subjecting the woman to the order by fire without causing a ripple amongst onlookers.

There are convinced conditions attached to these, that all this must come to pass to woman –

(i) Without her consent, in *Queen v. Flattery*[^2] it was held that the girl’s consent was meant for a surgical operation and not for sexual intercourse and such a consent was manufactured and was not a ground for exemption from criminal culpability.

(ii) Against her will, in *state of Punjab v. Gurmeet singh*[^3] it was held that the prosecutrix who had been abducted and subjected to sexual intercourse forcibly had been raped against her will.

Justice Arijit Pasayat in his judgement in *State of Karnataka v. Puttaraj*[^4], held that a rapist not only robs a woman of her most exquisite possession i.e. her chastity and distinction but also leaves an impossible to remove mark on the society around the injured party and the criminal. Luminously put, we must stay this in mind while handing out punishments of sexual offences which go away a profound impression on the ethical scope of any society. In *State of Himachal Pradesh v. Raghubir Singh*[^5], it was held that punishment for sexual assault may be abridged on uncommon, sympathetic grounds.

1) Section 375 also talks about the custodial rape which can be defined as an battering by those who are imaginary to be guardians of the women anxious that are specifically entrusted for their benefit and protection. Fundamentally it is a rape perpetrated by a person working by the State in a decision-making or custodial position, such as police officer, public servant or jail or hospital employee. It includes the rape of children in institutional think about such as orphanages.

2) After the law was radically amended a new law entitled Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1998 came into life in which the very concept of ‘custodial rape’ as being additional atrocious than common rapes was acknowledged. This Act brought about various important changes in the breathing provisions on rape in the Indian Penal Code. It has amended Section 376 of the IPC and has improved

[^2]: 1877 QBD 410
[^3]: AIR 1996 SC 1393
[^4]: AIR 2004 SC433
[^5]: 1993 (1) SCALE 708
the punishment of rape on condition that it shall not be less than seven years. It has also provided enhanced punishment of 10 years of imprisonment for police officers or staff of jails, remand homes or other places of protection established by Law.

- In Ram Kumar v. State of H.P., The head constable and the constable against your will took the prosecutrix and her husband goes to the police station and restricted them in break up rooms. The head constable dedicated rape on prosecutrix and the constable reserved observe over the husband. The proof of the prosecutrix is corroborated by other confirmation on substantiation. There is no explanation as to why the accused person would be fallaciously concerned. Hence the blame of custodial rape was customary.

The Apex Court in the case of Bodhisattwa Goutam v. Subhra Chakraborty as reported in recorded the affecting calamity, which is suffered by the woman who is the victim of rape. It is observed that it is a crime against the entire humanity. In paragraph 10 of the said judgment, the Supreme Court observed as follows: Rape is thus only a crime against the human being of a woman (victim), it is a crime against the entire the public. It destroys the whole psychology of a woman and pushes her into profound affecting crises. It is only by her complete will-power that she rehabilitates herself in the society which, on coming to be acquainted with of the rape, looks downhill upon her in ridicule and disapproval. Rape is, therefore, the a good number abhorrent crime. It is a crime against fundamental human rights and it also violates the victim’s most appreciated fundamental rights, namely, the Right of life restricted in the Article 21. Rape is less a sexual offence than an act of violence aimed at humiliating and embarrassing woman.

A. Marital Rape

Crimes are generally occurred in the society consisting of two types i.e., some crimes are felonies and other are misdemeanours. They have a result both on the fatality and the society at outsized. Those women, who are raped along with substantial injury, have nightmares, dread attacks, and waves of self-doubt and irresistible sense of be suspicious of. It is upsetting an adequate amount of a small share of reported rapes make it to court, most horrible still only some victims come forth in the primary place. Most remain it a polluted underground as the humanity

7 (1996) 1 SCC 490
shuns the casualty rather than carry her. A rape case come out due to there is a fiscal flow where people take to the streets to accomplish impartiality for the victim as also within a week everything subsides as well as transform is the augment in the number of rapes.

Marital rape, a form of rape, domestic violence and sexual abuse is refers to an intercourse by a man with his wife without her permission and is obtained by compel, hazard of using force and substantial violence.

Marital rape, though not any dissimilar from rape is not criminalized in India on account of defence of safeguard of marriage institution as it becomes reasons for legislators to not to criminalize it and thus safeguard of fundamental rights of women that include right to live with gravity, safety and bodily integrity lives in hazard.

As per section 375 of IPC sexual intercourse with a lady married or unmarried without her consent by any man except her husband is rape. Now what about married lady if the unwanted sexual intercourse is done by her husband. Also it is provided by the section 375 of the Indian penal code that if the wife is not under fifteen years of age, then the sexual intercourse by a man with his own wife cannot be called as rape. Section 376 of Indian penal code which talks about the punishment to be given a rapist discriminates between wife under 12 years of age and wife of more than 12 years of age but less than 15 years by saying that whoever commits rape shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which shall not be less than seven years but which may be for life or for a term which may extend to ten years and shall also be liable to fine unless the women raped is his own wife and is not under twelve years of age, in which cases, he shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to two years or with fine or with both. Marital rape has been explicitly included as a violence against women in article 2 of the Declaration of the elimination of violence against women. Criminal law of India also demands that marital rape should be included in section 375 of IPC. An NGO named Joint women programme Conducted a research and found out that one out of seven women have been raped by her husband atleast once but the cases went un-reported because the law did not support them. The Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 has only created a civil remedy for marital rape, without criminalizing the same.

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8 Dr. Mukesh Garg and Dr. Nareshlata Singla, Marital rape under Indian law: A study, International journal in management and social sciences, Vol. 1 Issue- 02, June, 2013
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11 Pallavi Arora, Proposals to reform the law pertaining to sexual offences in India, Journal of Indian law and
After the rape of a 23 year old student on December 23, 2012 in Delhi justice Verma committee was constituted by government in order to strengthen anti-rape laws. UN Committee on the elimination of discrimination against women recommended that our country should “widen the definition of rape in its Penal Code to reflect the realities of sexual abuse experienced by women and to remove the exception of marital rape from the definition of rape…..”\(^{12}\) The Verma committee with the help of a study conducted in 2010 indicated that 18.8 percent of women are raped by their partners on one or more occasion but the rate of reporting and conviction continues to remain low. \(^{13}\) The recommendation of Justice Verma Committee regarding deleting exception of marital rape is not included in Criminal Law Amendment Bill, 2013 passed by the Lok Sabha on 19 March 2013 and by the Rajya Sabha on 21 March 2013.

Article 21 of the Indian constitution reads as follows “no person shall be deprived of his life or personal liberty except according to procedure established by law”. In Maneka Gandhi’s\(^{14}\) case the judiciary gave a new dimension to Article 21 and it is held that right to live is not merely confined to physical existence but also within the ambit the right to live with human dignity wherein human dignity involves consensual sexual relations where the female is seen in par with the male capable of making her own choices.

**B. Gang rape**

As it has been described in section 376D of Indian Penal Code gang rape is said to be committed when a woman is raped by one or more persons constituting a group or acting in furtherance of a common intention, each of those persons shall be deemed to have committed the offence of rape.

Gang rape is punishable with rigorous imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than twenty years, but which may extend to life which shall mean imprisonment for the remainder of that person’s natural life, and with fine which may include provided that such fine shall be just and reasonable to meet the medical expenses and rehabilitation of the victim. Also further provided that any fine imposed under section shall be paid to the victim.

On the night of February 1988, a group of policemen helped by home guards and chowkidars entered the village Pararia in Bihar, and created terror by committing

\(^{12}\) News18, Full text: Justice Verma Committee

\(^{13}\) The Hindu, Marriage is not a valid defence against rape, says committee, updated: January 28, 2013

\(^{14}\) Maneka Gandhi v. Union of India (1978 A.I.R. 597)
this type of offence, which even today villagers remember as a bad dream. It was to avenge the assault on two of their colleagues, which had taken place a week before. Fourteen policemen went on a rampage of looting destructing and committing mass rape. These policemen were acquitted in court on the strength of their defence counsel’s argument that those women could not be equated with such ladies as hail from decent and respectable society. These women were engaged in menial work so they were of questionable character. After the judgment, there was total silence. No one deemed fit to speak on behalf of these poor women who earned their living by the sweat of their brows. Another case of mass rape of 25 tribal women of Ujaimaidan Tripura in June 1991 follows exactly the Pararia pattern. The brutalization perpetrated by the counter insurgency outfit, the 27 Assam Rifles, who raped women from the age of 12 to 45 years. These are the two instances of many cases which take place from time to time in the country. Such instances appear in the newspaper and the public mind is stirred for the time being but gets lost in oblivion with the passage of time.

In late December, 2012 international attention was called to a case of a 23-years old Indian women (Also called as Nirbhaya case/ amanita case) was assaulted and gang raped on a bus, resulting in her eventual death in a hospital days later.

5 CONCLUSION

Every society has its own set of laws to prevent and control a variety of sex offences. Through their laws, sexual behaviour of individuals has been redefined and restricted to the tune of national ethos. In this paper, the Indian position in this regard has been highlighted. Equality before the law and equal protection of law between males and females is the constitutional guaranty on the strength of which several legal provisions are present in the Indian Penal Code. Some special legislation has also been enacted from time to time for the prevention and control of sexual exploitation of women and girls. In India, the central government and state governments have taken several steps to protect woman through enactment of legislation and the prosecution of those who perpetrate violence against them. The Indian Penal Code has been amended several times in relation to crimes against women largely as a result of campaigns against violence led by the women’s movement in the country. Crime against women is an up-and-coming confronts and other issues are expressed systematically. Every civilized society compliant the significance of equality of sexes has, therefore, made affirmative provisions against gender discrimination. But in spite of enactment of these provisions, equality between men and women continues to be an eluded goal.
The reasons for such a wide gap between the ideal and practical is not only due to historical reasons but mainly because of attitude of inferiority and bondage towards women, makes her an easy particularly to physical domination.

Sex crime against women and girls is not an exclusive problem for the police or criminal justice system of any country as such. In fact, sexual crime is an outcome of a particular mindset of some erring individuals who develop a wrong perception toward women folk during the course of their socialization. Stringent legal measures with their strong enforcement may definitely be useful in controlling such behaviours in society but that cannot achieve the desired results, unless legal measures are supplemented by a wide range of extra legal preventive programmes developed in mutual co-operation and with assistance of governmental organizations, concerned professional associations, community organizations, research institutions, etc. in close collaboration with the police and other law enforcement officials. The society requires to be open sufficient to tolerate sequence to be made and contaminate must guarantor for such progression by as long as for incentives as well as superior avenues for gender equal opportunity to come about, the method it should have been, for all time. The artistic biases that live in the humanity are in breach of the India establishment which propagates antidiscrimination principles. There are some unreported cases of eve-teasing an occasion which recurs openly in the pressure of Indian humanity and even they tried under such cases are acquitted on account of be deficient in substantiation on such cases with these frightening experiences which require an renovate in the system so as to stop the extremely some from hampering gender excellence. Along with these issues, there is a necessity to cause consciousness about such kinds of issues, and the remedies with a variety of legislations make available in the Indian parliamentary structure when it comes to women’s rights. Women are sanctioned to file complaints to the superior authorities against any sexual harassment cases so faced by women at their job and have right to ambiguity. A live-in-partner as well as a standard mother or sister from in front of domestic violence or any cruelty of that sort, Domestic Violence Act, 2005 tries to protect a wife. Right to life includes the right to provide birth to a girl child and the incredibly same is also upheld by the Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Technique Act ensures this right. There is some requirement to build up the position of women’s in a country like India for not only for the legislature as well as the judiciary, will be humanitarian enough to ensure that women in India sense safer as to work, earn a that women in India sense safer as to work, make a living, be married with the permission and thus live a life, as usual male human being would.
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