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ATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

AGENDA

FIRST MEETING
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1ST MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

MATTERS FOR REPORT

1. To receive a report on the National Commission for Women Act 1990
2. To receive a report on the National Commission for Women Act 1990 having come into force.
3. To receive a note on the National Commission for Women (Salaries and Allowances and Conditions of Services of Chairperson and Members) Rules 1992
4. To receive a note on the composition of the National Commission for Women
5. To receive a report on National Commission for Women (Allowances Payable to Co-opted Members) Rules, 1992
6. To receive a note on the administrative action to make the Commission operational

MATTERS FOR DECISION

7. Rules of procedure of the Commission
8. Rules of procedure of the Committees
9. Delegation of financial powers to the Member-Secretary of the National Commission for Women
10. Opening of the Bank Account of the National Commission for Women
11. Operation of the Bank Account of National Commission for Women
12. Conveyance and Office equipment.
13. Tentative budget for 1991-92.
14. Appointment of Consultants in the Commission
15. Appointment of staff on daily wages in the Commission.
16. Adoption of Manual of Office Procedure,
17. Government Accounting Rules till F&A rules are notified
18. Any other matter with the permission of the

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ITEM NO.1 To receive a report on the National Commission
for Women Act 1990

Successive Commissions on Women have noted in their Reports the unequal status of Women obtaining in every sphere of life and had suggested the setting up of an agency to fulfil the surveillance functions as well as to facilitate redressal of grievances of women. Several women activists and voluntary action groups have also been making persistent demands for the setting up of a Commission for Women. Having realised the importance of the issue, the Government decided to set up a Commission for Women, to be called the National Commission for Women, consisting of a Chairperson and six members (including a Member-Secretary).

2. The main task of the Commission shall be to study and monitor all matters relating to the constitutional and legal safeguards provided for women, to review the existing legislations and suggest amendments, wherever necessary. It will also look into complaints and take suo moto notice of the cases involving deprivation of the rights of women in order to provide support, legal or otherwise to helpless women. The Commission shall monitor the proper implementation of all the legislations made to protect the rights of women so as to enable them to achieve equality in all spheres of life and be equal partners in the development of the nation.

3. The Government has enacted the National Commission for Women's Act 1990 (20 of 1990). A copy of the Act is placed at Appendix I.

4. The matter is placed before the Commission for information.

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ITEM NO. 2: To receive a report on the National
for Women Act 1990 having come into f

The National Commission for Women was Gazetted on 31.8.90. Section 1(3) of the Act provides that the Act shall come into force on such date as the Government may by notification in the official Gazette.

2. The Government has appointed the 31st January 1992 as the date on which the said Act would come into force. Accordingly, a notification to this effect was issued vide 9-61/90-WW dated 31st January 1992 notified as per Copy of Appendix II.

3. The matter is placed before the Commission for information.

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Item No 3: To receive a note on the National Commission for Women (Salaries and Allowances and Conditions of Services of Chairperson and Members) Rules, 1992

Section 17 of the National Commission for Women Act 1990 provides that the Central Government may frame rules relating to the salaries and allowances payable to and the other terms and conditions of service of the Chairperson and Members of the National Commission for Women.

2. The Central government has already notified such rules, referred to as the National Commission for Women (Salaries and Allowances and Conditions of Service of Chairperson and Members) Rules 1992 on 31.1.92. A copy of the notification is placed at Appendix III.

3. The matter is placed before the Commission for information.

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Item No. 4: To receive a note on the composition
National Commission for Women

The National Commission for Women provides that the Central government may constitute to be known as the National Commission for Women the powers conferred on and to perform the functions to under the Act. The Commission shall consist of person, 5 Members and a Member Secretary.

2. The Commission is to be constituted Central government. The Chairperson should be committed to the cause of women. The five Members nominated are to be from amongst persons of ability, and standing who have large experience in law and labour trade unionism, management of industry or organisations committed to increasing the employment potential women's voluntary organisations (including women's administration, economic development, health, education, social welfare.

3. The Member-Secretary shall be an expert in the field of management, organisation structure or social movement or be an officer who is a Member of Civil Service of the Union or of All India Services, or holding a post under the Union with appropriate experience.

4. The Government of India has issued the notification dated 31.3.92 nominating the Chairperson, five Members and a Member-Secretary to the National Commission for Women. The Chairperson and Members shall hold office for a term of three years from the date of the constitution of the Commission.

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Item No 6: To receive a note on the National Commission for Women (Allowances payable to Coopted Members) Rules, 1992

Section 17 of the National Commission for Women Act 1990 provides that the Central Government may frame rules relating to the salaries and allowances for attending the meetings of the committees by the Coopted persons of the National Commission for Women.

2. The Central Government has already notified such rules, referred to as the National Commission for Women (Allowances payable to Coopeded Members) Rules 1992 on 21.2.92. A copy of the notification is placed at Appendix - V .

3. The matter is placed before the Commission for information.

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