

When to Complain

- ⊙ If an advertisement to provide the service of any kind of sex selection is published
- ⊙ If a clinic using the pre-conception and pre-natal diagnostic techniques is not registered under the PC & PNDT Act. Registration certificate needs to be displayed publicly
- ⊙ If any person has got sex selective abortion of his or her unborn child done
- ⊙ If any medical professional has communicated the sex of the unborn child to his patient
- ⊙ If a clinic registered under the PC & PNDT Act has not maintained the mandatory records under the Act. In case of ultrasound scan it is Form F that has a consent form from the patient declaring that she has not detected the sex of her unborn child and medical professional affirmation that the scan was not done for sex selection
- ⊙ If any person is compelling a pregnant woman to undergo sex selection
- ⊙ If anybody is assisting or facilitating the process of sex selection

How to Complain

There are officials at the local level in rural and urban areas who can be approached:

At District Level

- The Civil Surgeon
- Chief Medical Officer

At City Level

- Chief Health Officer
- Ward Health Officer
- Medical Superintendent of Government Hospital

Procedure

- Make a written complaint
- Obtain its receipt with signature and date
- If no action is taken on complaint within 15 days, court may be approached

Law to Prevent FEMALE FOETICIDE



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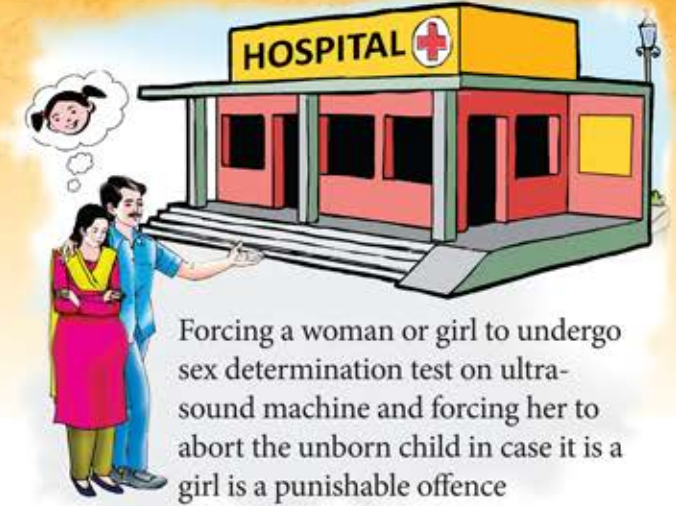


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Killing girls in womb using any means or using any other means to ensure that a girl is not born or conceived is a crime. It is punishable under the law called PC & PNDT Act

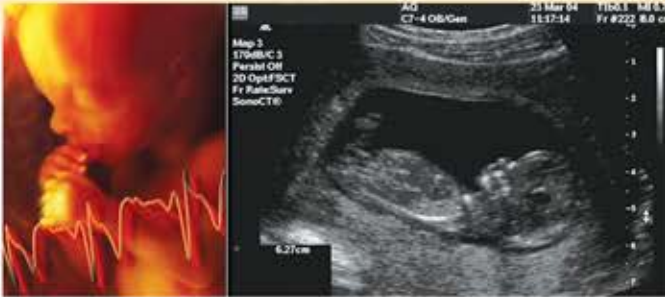


The law also does not allow aborting an unborn child, only because it is a girl



Forcing a woman or girl to undergo sex determination test on ultrasound machine and forcing her to abort the unborn child in case it is a girl is a punishable offence

The law does not allow using ultrasound machines to detect sex of the unborn child



Asking the sex of the unborn child is not permitted under the law

Advertising sex determination and selective abortion is a punishable offence for which the person involved can be imprisoned for a period upto 3 years along with fine upto Rs. 10,000/-



Using ultrasound machine to detect the sex of a child is a punishable offence



Both the person asking about the sex of the unborn child and the person telling the sex of an unborn child can be punished under PC & PNDT Act



Every clinic/hospital/medical research centre is required to display a board in English and local language that "Disclosure of the sex of the foetus is prohibited under law"