

Informer reward scheme under PC & PNDT Act, 1994

(Scheme for informing about unregistered center/ machine/ sex determination done by any one in Delhi/ violations of the provisions of the act and for participation as Decoy pregnant patient in Sting/ decoy operations)

Gender bias and deep-rooted prejudice and discrimination against the girl child and preference for the male child have led to the misuse of medical devices and technologies for gender bias sex selection leading to demographic imbalance over the last two decades. The declining child sex ratio in India is a major concern for all. The successive census data indicate that the sex ratio has been declining at an alarming rate and would lead to serious socio-cultural problems including violence and population imbalances. The issue of survival of Girl Child is a critical one especially in the conservative Indian Society. Thus there was a dire need for a systematic effort in mobilizing the community against the evil of sex selective abortions / conception. To check the gender biased sex selection, the PC & PNDT Act 1994 was enacted so as to pre-empt the illicit use of technologies that adversely affect the sex ratio at birth.

Keeping the above in view, the department intends to rope in the link of informers who are from the society at large or neighborhood where the malpractice is being conducted or is being planned. Based on credible information, decoy operation may be conducted and financial reward/ incentive to the informer and decoy pregnant patients shall be provided. To motivate people for active participation, mobilize the community to give genuine information of such illicit activities, the idea of scheme was conceived, discussed and approved.

The informer incentive/ reward scheme is conceptualized to get the information/ tip off regarding centers/ doctors who are performing sex selective test & techniques. It is important to engage the society to keep a check on the persons who are misusing the techniques. It is important to send the message in the society that on the basis of information given by general public, the persons who are doing wrong shall be brought under the purview of the Act and penalties/ criminal action as per law will be imposed. The scheme has received the kind approval of Cabinet. Details of the schemes are as under:

Aim of the scheme:-

To improve the Child sex ratio by ensuring punitive action against those involved directly or indirectly in activities related to sex selection/ sex selective abortions by illicit use of technology

under the purview of PC & PNDT Act. To create the awareness among the civil society, to rope in the members of civil society for this all important cause and to stop effectively the misuse of Pre Conception and Pre Natal Diagnostic Tests and techniques.

Benefits of the scheme

Bringing the offenders/violators of the Act under the purview of this Act through active participation of the civil society through this scheme will act as an effective deterrent for the people who are misusing the Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques and preventing the birth of female child and killing the female child in utero before birth which is also against the right of any child who is conceived.

Incentive to Informers & Decoy:

The provisions approved by the cabinet of Delhi Govt. under the Informer reward scheme are as mentioned below:

1. On the successful completion of decoy operation Government will give incentive amount of Rs. 2,00,000/-. The incentive money of Rs. 2 lac will be distributed and divided between Informer & Decoy. Rs. 50,000/- to the informer, Rs. 1,50,000/- to the pregnant lady (decoy customer). The informer should be paid in one single installment after successful completion of Decoy Operation while the Decoy will be paid according to the details below:

S. No	Total incentive amount (Rs. 2,00,000/-)	Informer (Rs. 50,000/-)	Pregnant women / Decoy patient (Rs. 1, 50,000/-)
1.	Ist Installment	Rs. 50,000 /- (after successful completion of decoy operation)	Rs. 50,000/- (after successful completion of decoy operation)
2.	Second Installment (after completion of decoy operation & on deposing before the court & submission of statement in the court)	NIL	Rs. 1,00,000/- (after completion of decoy operation & on deposing before the court & submission of statement in the court)
Total		50,000/-	1,50,000/-

2. Reward of Rs. 50,000/- (Fifty thousand only) to the informer informing about the unregistered or registered centre/ machine and any other violation of PC & PNDDT Act.
3. Rs. 50,000/- to decoy pregnant patient in the event of unsuccessful decoy operation, to compensate the decoy patient for her efforts, time which she contributed for the overall success of scheme. However the informer shall not be compensated in any form in case unsuccessful decoy operation.
4. Honoring all decoy pregnant patients by a certificate signed by Hon'ble Chief Minister for their participation in implementation of PC & PNDDT Act. These certificates to all decoy patients will be distributed district wise in a functions like Independence Day flag hosting function in district office by the Concerned District Magistrate on yearly basis.

Under this scheme the Informers may provide information to:

At State Level:

1. Director, Directorate of Family Welfare
2. State Programme Officer, PC & PNDDT Act
3. Email - dirdfw@nic.in, pndt.delhi@gov.in
4. Helpline – 011-23813215, 23813477 (time 9:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.)

At District level:

1. District Appropriate Authority of the respective district

S. No	Name of District	E-mail ID of District Appropriate Authority
1	Central	dccentral@nic.in
2	New Delhi	dcnd@nic.in
3	North	dcnorth@nic.in
4	North West	dcnw@nic.in
5	North East	dcne@nic.in
6	South East	dcse.rev.delhi@nic.in
7	Shahdara	dmsahdara.delhi.nic.in
8	South	dcsouth@nic.in
9	South West	dcsw@nic.in
10	West	dcwest@nic.in
11	East	dceast@nic.in

2. District Nodal Officer of the respective district
3. Complaint boxes installed in dispensaries, hospitals, DC offices and other office buildings