

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:805

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IMMORAL TRAFFIC (PREVENTION) ACT, 1956

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**Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to amend the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has received comments from all the concerned Ministries/departments in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details of the comments incorporated in the said amendment; and
- (d) the extent to which such amendments are likely to check /control immoral trafficking in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH)

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam, the Government proposes to amend the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956. The comments of Ministries/Departments concerned were received on the amendment proposals made earlier. These amendments aimed at widening the scope of the Act, enhancing punishment for traffickers, preventing re-victimization of victims and making the implementation of the Act more effective. However, the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Amendment Bill, 2006, which was introduced in the Lok Sabha in 2006, lapsed in 2009 with the dissolution of the Lok Sabha. Fresh consultations are being held and the amendment proposals are being fine-tuned.