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Master Trainers Induction Programme launched to build national pool of trained officers to tackle Online Crimes Against Women and Children

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Union Home Secretary Shri Govind Mohan inaugurated the 'National Dialogue on Online Crimes Against Women and Children (OCWC)' in New Delhi. The event was organised by the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C), Ministry of Home Affairs, with the objective of bringing together key stakeholders to deliberate on strengthening coordinated mechanisms to prevent and effectively respond to online crimes targeting women and children.



Under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and guidance of Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah, Government of India remains committed to strengthening institutional mechanisms and fostering collaboration among all stakeholders to ensure a safe, secure, and dignified digital environment for women and children across the country.

Addressing the gathering, Union Home Secretary Shri Govind Mohan highlighted the growing challenges posed by online crimes in an increasingly digital ecosystem and emphasised the need for strengthening institutional capacities at the State and Union Territory-level to combat such offences effectively. The Union Home Secretary stressed that States and UTs must develop robust, specialised units and coordinated response mechanisms to ensure timely investigation, victim support, and swift action against perpetrators.

Shri Govind Mohan also directed law enforcement agencies of all State and Union Territory to accord priority to online crimes against women and children and ensure prompt and coordinated response to such cases. He further urged IT intermediaries to strictly adhere to the provisions of the Information Technology Act and relevant rules, and called upon all stakeholders to work collectively towards ensuring a safe and secure digital ecosystem.



The National Dialogue provides a platform for knowledge exchange, sharing of best practices, and collective deliberation on building a coordinated national strategy to address the evolving challenges posed by online crimes in the digital environment.

The inauguration also marked the launch of the Master Trainers Induction Programme for States and Union Territories on Online Crimes Against Women and Children, aimed at creating a national pool of trained officers who will lead capacity-building initiatives in their respective States and UTs. The programme seeks to equip selected officers with specialized knowledge, investigative techniques, and best practices required to address emerging cyber threats targeting women and children. These officers will further train law enforcement personnel at the state and district levels, thereby strengthening the country's response framework to such crimes.

The National Dialogue witnessed participation from senior officials from State and UT Law Enforcement Agencies, representatives from concerned Ministries and Departments of the Government of India, social media intermediaries, internet service providers, academia, civil society organizations, legal experts, and student representatives.



During the dialogue, discussions were held on key issues, including:

- Emerging trends and patterns in online crimes against women and children
- Strengthening investigative frameworks and digital forensics capabilities
- Improving victim support and reporting mechanisms
- Enhancing coordination with digital platforms for timely removal of harmful content
- Promoting multi-stakeholder collaboration for prevention, awareness, and enforcement

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