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In case FIR No. 157/08 u/s 363/366/376(2)F IPC PS Swaroop Nagar the Hon'ble Court of Dr. Kamini Lau,ASJ-II(NW),Rohini,New Delhi observed that the investigation of the rape case was conducted by a male police officer in violation of the guidelines issued on the subject by the Police Head Quarters (S.O. No. 303/09). The Ld ASJ also expressed surprise on learning from SHO/ACP about the non-availability of a lady police officer in the police station to investigate the sexual assault cases.

The Hon'ble Court, therefore, directed to take necessary steps to ensure that sufficient number of lady police officers are made available in the police stations round the clock. It should also be ensured that in case due to any exigency lady officers are not available, then lady officers from other police stations in the district should immediately be pulled in and put on the job rather than deputing male officers to handle the investigations, particularly in cases where the victim is a minor, as has happened in the present case.

Police Head Quarters has already issued a Standing Order on the subject directing all concerned that the investigation of rape cases should only be got conducted through a competent lady police officer. Though sufficient numbers of women police officers have been made available in the police stations the supervisory officers are not following the guidelines on this subject which results in adverse comments from various courts.

In view of above, all Joint CsP/Ranges, Distt. Addl.CsP/ DCsP, SDPOs and other supervisory officers shall ensure that the investigation of rape cases is conducted only by lady police officers. The guidelines already circulated by Police Head Quarters on this subject should be thoroughly studied/understood by all concerned and followed meticulously.

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