

NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

PRESS NOTE

NCW takes cognizance

New Delhi, September 18, 2022: The National Commission for Women has come across multiple media reports and Twitter posts alleging that videos of girls living in a hostel of Chandigarh University have been leaked and few girls have allegedly tried to commit suicide. There is a huge outrage outside the University where students are protesting and alleging that the administration of the University and Police have been trying to cover up the cases of suicide.

The Commission has taken serious note of the matter. Chairperson Ms Rekha Sharma has written to Director General of Police, Punjab to immediately file FIR against the culprits and to deal the matter strictly and without any laxity. The victims must be given proper counselling and their safety and security must be ensured.

The Commission has also written to Vice Chancellor, Chandigarh University to take stringent action against the culprits in accordance with law and that the University must investigate the matter extensively and in a fair manner.

The Commission has also sent a letter to Chairperson, Punjab State Commission for Women to immediately inquire into the facts of the case and ensure that the Police is conducting a fair investigation in the matter without any influence. NCW has also asked that necessary help and support should be extended to the girls affected by the incident.