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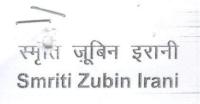
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- 3. The above mentioned amendments are expected to discourage the trend of child sexual abuse by acting as a deterrent due to introduction of strong penal provisions. However mere introduction of such provisions will not prevent the incidences of child sexual abuse in the nation. The objectives of the Act will remain defeated until and unless the provisions of the Act are not implemented in true letter and spirit and also through the collective efforts and active participation of all concerned.
- 4. In view of the above, I urge you to raise awareness among the public through all forums so that no child is left out of the safety net. This may be achieved through social drives and sensitization programmes which may be conducted by participation of people. These social drives should not be restricted to information on provisions of the Act, but also preventive ideas may be inculcated in the communities through such drives, thereby eliminating the occurrence of the offence in the first instance.

With Regards,

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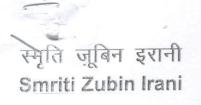
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