

Press Note

#MeToo, the Digital Mob Lynching legal tool, attacks CJI

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Men Welfare Trust (MWT) urges the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India, Ranjan Gogoi to correct the unfair Sexual Harassment at Workplace Law, which was created by the Supreme Court itself.

From the complaint against the Chief Justice and the official reply by Supreme Court it appears to be the issue of Woman terminated from her Job. The Supreme Court bench, hearing the case yesterday, commented that Judiciary is under threat, but we wish to bring to your notice, it's not only judiciary every Workplace's Men are under threat, let it be Govt/Private. Any dispute, a woman can term you a molester/rapist and for that her verbal accusation is sufficient, with no limitation being applicable. Many organisations have paid heavy price, some are paying even today and many will have to pay in future for terminating any women employee for any legitimate reason, but Supreme Court never took any corrective action.

Because of widespread misandry in our society and biased laws against men, a man is immediately labelled as a molester, rapist and criminal on just a mere statement by a woman. He is stripped of his job and most importantly his self-respect without even given a chance to speak, let alone go through a fair trial. While everyone has the right to equality under the Constitution of India, the Indian government has provided no laws to protect Men whatsoever, whereas, there are over 49 laws to protect women. While the existing laws are unfair towards men, so is the society and media in putting a vulnerable man through a media trial.

Lakhs of cases of common men are languishing in courts where their life and liberty is curtailed because of these false cases. Even when they are acquitted after going through a trial for 5-10 years, their lives remain completely destroyed. The Indian law also does not provide for any redressal and rehabilitation for such common men who are acquitted of false cases. There is also no punishment for those women filing false cases and misusing the law; and no strong precedence for law misuse in the judiciary as well.

Hence, we strongly urge the media and the general public to be sensitive towards any person who is already going through a difficult period and avoid making any judgements till this case goes through a fair trial. The person is innocent till proven Guilty, to be respected, should not be punished or stripped of his job or forced to resign on mere allegation.

We appeal to Supreme Court of India and Mr. Ranjan Gogoi instead of crying foul, please take the corrective action and issue immediate necessary guidelines for all such cases, mere allegation of sexual harassment can't be a right to deprive a man from his constitutional Right of Live and Liberty provided by Constitution under Article 21.

About Men Welfare Trust (MWT):

A registered NGO in New Delhi, Men Welfare Trust (MWT) works for safeguarding the interests of those Men who have been implicated in false cases because of the gross misuse of gender biased laws. MWT has been involved in several intervention petitions on issues such as Marital Rape. Mr. Amit Lakhani, President and Mr. Ritwik Bisaria, Vice-President of MWT are India's foremost Men's Rights Activists who have been actively involved for the last 9 years in providing free and selfless help to Men and their families who are victimised by the misuse of gender biased laws such as false IPC 498A, Rape, Sexual harassment, domestic violence and other cases of similar nature. They have provided counseling and support to lakhs of Men in distress who have been victims of false cases which are filed by many women and their families to cash in and extort from a failed relationship, defame and shame the husband and settle personal scores. They are also actively engaged in various other activities like research, documentation and publication on men's rights issues, and regularly appear on India's leading national news channels.

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