PREFACE

"It is an irony that while we are celebrating woman’s right in all spheres we show little or no concern for her honour".

This quotation may remind over that in law and in life the agony of discrimination against woman is a true reality. The Beijing declaration and platform of action and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights proclaims the equality of sexes, on the other government and law-makers fail to protect the woman from the sexual offences as it was increases day by day. Now-a-days the position of woman is so weak and poor that the Doordarshan made a advertisement to celebrate the birth of female child to encourage the birth of female child. When a male baby is born their family distribute sweets and celebrates birthday exquisitely irrespective of their financial of their financial status and economic capacity on a far reaching expectation that the boy would fetch a huge amount of money when he gets married and in case of female huge amount is required. There is no doubt, that in welfare state law is an important instrument of planned social change. But, at the same time law is also an important means of social control. These two functions of law should not be in conflict with each other. There is no doubt judiciary should protect human rights of the accused or the suspect, but equally important task of judiciary should protect the fundamental interest of the society.

Nevertheless the Indian Government as per its commitment towards gender justice revises its laws for the protection of woman from the various sexual abuses.

Taking these aspects in the mind this thesis has been submitted with help of Supreme court & High court decisions and also with a total involvement, dedication and sincerity of the purpose. It includes the different relevant parts viz., Introduction, Definition, Essential ingredients, Types of Rape & Punishment, Legal Procedure, Other sex crimes their safeguards and protection under the various laws and enactments with complete approach to the conclusion of the topic.

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