



Ministry of Women and Child Development

# Several measures taken by the Government to prevent online sexual abuse and exploitation of children

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The Government has initiated a number of major actions to prevent online sexual abuse and exploitation of children.

- i) Information Technology Act (IT Act) 2000 with its last amendment in 2008, provides a comprehensive framework for Cyber Crimes and Punishment including for online obscenity, sexual contents and child pornography.
- ii) Government periodically blocks the websites based on the "Worst of" list provided by Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), which acts as a National Nodal Agency of INTERPOL in India.
- iii) MeitY has issued an order in April 2017 for blocking of Child Pornography URLs/ Websites based on the list maintained by Internet Watch Foundation (IWF), UK.

This information was given by the Minister of State for Women & Child Development, Smt Krishna Raj in reply to a question in Rajya Sabha today.

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