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of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action**

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The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Sexual Violence Against Women In India

Gender equality is at the very heart of human rights and the United Nations Charter. Equality and non-discrimination are fundamental principles of the United Nations Charter, adopted by world leaders in 1945 but Indian government failed to provide human rights to Indian women in even 21st century.

Every day, violence against women in India is rising. Sexual violence against women is pervasive in India. According to latest data released by the Indian National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), India recorded 88 rape cases every day. Violence against women in India refers to physical or sexual violence committed against a woman, typically by a man.

A 16-year-old girl, who had gone missing on December 23 from District Bundi, Rajasthan, India, when she was out grazing her goats in the fields and later, she was found to have been raped and murdered by three men. The autopsy revealed over 30 injuries on the girl's private parts. The post-mortem report further revealed that the accused had tied the girl up with her dupatta before raping her.

On 5 December 2021 a six-year-old girl was sexually assaulted and murdered by her neighbour in Uttar Pradesh's Hapur town. The police found her body stuffed in a trunk in the house of the accused.

On 8 December 2021 in Rajasthan's Alwar district, nine teachers and the principal of a government school involved in gang raping and molesting four students.

On 3 December 2021 in Madhya Pradesh's Anuppur district, a 17-year-old girl died of excessive bleeding after she was raped by a man who gave her aphrodisiac drug.

On 21 January 2022 in Shivaji Nagar, Mumbai city of India, a 20-year-old woman, working for a catering firm, was gangraped by four people, while she was returning home after completion of her work around 4am on Friday.

In all these cases, Indian police have failed to bring justice to the affected families and no arrests have been made. Therefore, my organisation urges this council to ask the Indian government to ensure protection of women and girls.
