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Witnesses Examined**

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1.	Saheli Women's Resource Centre <i>Spokespersons</i> (i) Ms. Lopa Banerjee (ii) Ms. Nalini Banot	20-1-1992	1
2.	Medico Friends Circle <i>Spokesperson</i> Dr. C. Sathyamala		
3.	Voluntary Health Association of India <i>Spokesperson</i> Dr. Mira Shiva		
4.	People's Union for Democratic Rights <i>Spokesperson</i> Ms. Rana Vasudevan		
5.	Action India <i>Spokesperson</i> Ms. Devi Kripa		
6.	Family Planning Foundation <i>Spokesperson</i> Dr. (Mrs.) Nalini Abraham	20.1.1992	2
7.	National Federation of Indian Women <i>Spokespersons</i> (i) Mrs. Pramila Loomba (ii) Dr. Usha Srivastava (iii) Mrs. Anurada Gupta (iv) Mrs. Vimla Farooqui	20-1-1992	2
8.	Association of Genetics and Ultrasound Clinics of India <i>Spokesmen</i> (i) Dr. Pyush Aggrawal (ii) Dr. P.S. Bhandari (iii) Dr. K.K. Loomba (iv) Dr. S.P.S. Virk	21-1-1992	23

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9.	Indian Law Institute <i>Spokesman</i> Shri P.M. Bakshi	21-1-1992	23
10.	Nari Raksha Samiti <i>Spokespersons</i> (i) Mrs. Usha Ahuja (ii) Mrs. Madhu Kalia	21-1-1992	23
11.	Mahila Dakshata Samiti <i>Spokespersons</i> (i) Mrs. Puloma Shah (ii) Ms. Rani Jethmalani	20-2-1992	43
12.	Young Women's Christian Association <i>Spokesperson</i> Mrs. Sadhona Ganguli		43
13.	All India Democratic Women's Association <i>Spokespersons</i> (i) Mrs. Brinda Karat (ii) Dr. Laxmi Sehgal (iii) Mrs. Jagmati Sangwan	20-2-1992	44
14.	Forum Against Oppression of Women <i>Spokespersons</i> (i) Ms. Swalija (ii) Ms. Chayanika	18-5-1992	64
15.	Forum Against Sex Determination and Sex Pre-Selection <i>Spokesmen</i> (i) Shri Ravindra R.P. (ii) Ms. Jayashree	18-5-1992	64
16.	Family Planning Association of India <i>Spokesmen</i> (i) Smt. A.B. Wadia (ii) AVM (Retd.) Lele (iii) Shri P.S. Sabhale	18.5.92	64
17.	Sh. Nilesh P. Ron, 53, Shantiniketan Anushakti Nagar, Bombay-400 094	18.5.92	93
18.	Dr. Hema Purandare Birth Defects & Centre Bandra, Bombay.	18.5.92	93
19.	Dr. Sharad Gogali, Surlata Hospital, Mahim, Bombay		

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20. Dr. S.A. Lakhdam Dy. Executive Health Officer Bombay Municipal Corporation. Bombay		
21. State Appropriate Authority, Bombay <i>Spokesmen</i> (i) Dr. Lata Mehta (ii) Dr. P.G. Natrajan (iii) Dr. S.V. Apte		
22. Shradhanand Mahilashram <i>Spokesman</i> Dr. Mridula Kothari	18.5.92	93
23. Dr. Indumati Parikh	18.5.92	93
24. State Vigilance Committee, Bombay <i>Spokesman</i> Dr. Sharadini Dahanukar	18.5.92	93
25. Mrs. Jayashree Parchure	18.5.92	93
26. Mrs. Veena Pradhan	18.5.92	93
27. Mrs. Neelima Aher Social Worker, Post. Deola, Tal Kalwan, Nasik	18.5.92	93
28. Dr. B.R. Agrawal, Vishwas Apartments, Data Wadi, Pune-30.	18.5.92	93
29. Sh. S.N. Nandgare, B-901, Usha Nagar, Bandup (West) Bombay-78.	18.5.92	93
30. Medico Friends Circle, Bombay <i>Spokesmen</i> (i) Shri Anil Pilgawhan (ii) Shri Ravi Duggal	18.5.92	93
31. Foundation .for Research in Community Health <i>Spokesman</i> Shri Sunil Nandraj	18.5.92	93

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32.	Representatives of the State Govt. of Maharashtra (i) Dr. S.R. Salunke (ii) Prof. Bomsli Wadia (iii) Dr. P.V. Sathe (iv) Dr. Joyu Shankaran (v) Shri H.A.D. Sawian (vi) Shri D.N. Chaudhari	19.5.92	93
33.	Rajasthan Voluntary Health Association <i>Spokesperson</i> Ms. Purwa Kushwaha	20.5.92	121
34.	Bal Rashmi Society <i>Spokespersons</i> (i) Dr. S.C. Kabra (ii) Ms. Alice Garg	20.5.92	121
35.	Women's Rehabilitation Group Jaipur and Rajasthan University Women's Association, Jaipur <i>Spokesperson</i> Ms. Renuka Pamecha	20.5.92	121
36.	Red Cross Society, Jaipur <i>Spokesman</i> Dr. Prakashwati Bhatnagar	20.5.92	121
37.	Dr. (Mrs.) Pushpa Porwal, Dr. Porwal Nursing Home, Beawar Road, Ajmer-305 001	20.5.92	121
38.	Representatives of State Govt. of Rajasthan (i) Dr. D.C. Bafna (ii) Dr. B.L. Gupta (iii) Shri O.P. Meena (iv) Ms. Anjana Bhushan (v) Mrs. Kushal Singh	20.5.92	121
39	Dr. Badri N. Saxena, DDG (Sr.), Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi	7.7.92	137
40.	Dr. (Mrs.) Kamal Buckshee, Prof. and Head Obstetrics and Gynaecology Deptt., All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.	7.7.92	137

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41.	Dr. (Mrs.) B. Chadha, Deptt. of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Kasturba Hospital, New Delhi.	7.7.92	137
42.	Prof. Dr. B.J. Wadia, Prof. Chairman. & Head of the Deptt. of Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Grant Medical College and Sir J.J. Group of Hospitals, Bombay.	7.7.92	137
43.	Dr. (Mrs.) A.M. Lele, Incharge, Genetics Division, Deptt. of Anatomy, GMC and JJ Group of Hospitals, Bombay.	7.7.92	138