



**NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
PRESS NOTE**

“NCW Chairperson writes to Delhi CM for inclusion of woman leadership in Delhi Legislative Assembly”

New Delhi, 27th Feb, 2020: National Commission for Women received an email/letter from Shri. Praveen Shankar Kapoor, dated 20th February, 2020, addressed to the Chairperson of the Commission, wherein it was requested to take up the matter with the Chief Minister of Delhi, for inclusion of at least one women in the Cabinet / Council of Ministers of Delhi Government by amending Article 239 (5) of the Constitution.

The Commission Chairperson, Smt. Rekha Sharma has written to Chief Minister of Delhi, Shri. Arvind Kejriwal, on expressing the concern of no women representative has been given berth in his Council of Ministers. It has been conveyed that various kinds of equality, including political equality, political leadership and power sharing is one of the most basic, intrinsically valuable as it is the key to equality on other realms, and all citizens are supposed to be given equal representation and leadership irrespective of gender.

In view of the above, Chairperson has requested Chief Minister to consider inducting a couple of women Legislators in the Council of Ministers of Delhi Legislative Assembly as gender responsive governance, to enable women to have equal say in decision making, that effects the lives of the citizens, their policies, and their environment to achieve equality of rights as well as participate in the development of the country.