

Some key recommendations included:

Women and Agriculture

- Public investment in this sector should be 10% of GDP as opposed to the current 1.3%
- Improve ownership rights of women through joint pattas etc
- Give management and control of common lands to women
- Improve property rights and forest rights for women
- Provide landless women with land under the land ceiling act
- For sustainability in agriculture, ensure biodiversity through investment in science and technology
- Ensure social safety net for farmers

Women and Health

- Increase allocation for women's health programmes
- Establish 24 hour public health centres, with mandatory presence of obstetrician, round-the-clock ambulance and pathology facilities
- Adoption of the Public Health Act with appropriate budgetary allocation
- Emphasize implementation of PNDT Act and prevent forced sterilization
- Set up community care homes for positive women, survivors of VAW and the elderly

Women and Education

- Ensure 10% of GDP over and above the 2% cess invested in education
- Enhance education of girl child at all levels with special incentives
- Upgrade vocational and local skill training
- Replicate Navodaya Vidhyalaya and revamp Sarva Shiksha Abhyan
- Upgrade capacity of teachers and improve student teacher ratio to 1: 40
- Link education to employment and create placement units
- Provide specialized training for ICDS and health workers and a 30% increase in salaries of ICDS workers

Poverty/Employment/Infrastructure and Social Security

- Redefine BPL to suit today's context
- Define the constituents of a female headed household in economic terms & undertake survey
- Give joint pattas during land reform
- Provide tax breaks for SHG's and women entrepreneurs for at least ten years
- Provide identity cards for all workers in unorganized sector and pension and widow benefit schemes
- Provide safe, well lit toilets with a clear time line – for villages, bus stops, train stations and local trains
- Increase street lighting

Violence against Women

- Increase allocations for support services

- Allocate resources for implementation of the Domestic Violence Act, and increase involvement of adolescent boys/youth to curb such violence
 - Increase trauma centres; provide counseling services with trained social workers and free legal aid centres with committed lawyers
 - Appoint women commissioners for women's rights issues
 - Gender sensitize the police, judiciary, health professionals and welfare associations
 - Establish a single window information system for women
 - Provide widow pension/compensation package, especially for positive women
- Provide support for mahila panchayats and nari adalats.