

Yogi to launch fourth phase of Mission Shakti in a few weeks

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Lucknow: Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath will inaugurate the fourth phase of Mission Shakti, a programme started by the government in 2020 to empower women, within the next few weeks.

In a review meeting to assess preparations for the launch, chief secretary DS Mishra said on Saturday that all departments should focus on strengthening various aspects of women security.

In addition to this, all departments should ensure that the activities being carried out by them are publicised on social media and other platforms.

The CS said that a portal should be set up with information about improvement in the lives of women and how they can increase their income.

The portal should also have all details of the various government schemes being run for the benefit of women.

Under fourth phase, the government will check whether Protection of Sexual Harassment at Workplace committees have been set up in all office and they are effective or not. Women will be informed about acceptable and unacceptable behaviour and what legal provisions are available to them in case they face such a situation. The women helpline numbers would also be publicised in all educational institutes.

Mishra said a special campaign should be launched for girls under School Chalo Abhiyan. A list of those girls who are absent from school on a regular basis should be prepared and their parents and guardians should be contacted to find out why they are missing school.

Art competitions should be held in schools to spread awareness about women security and empowerment while women achievers should be asked to address students to inspire them by their stories.

He added that there should be separate toilets for women in all schools and colleges.

If the facility is missing in any institution, the Panchayati Raj department should ensure construction of toilets at the earliest.