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Government of India
Ministry of Women & Child Development

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 - 6) Apparently “gender neutral” programmes are not necessarily gender neutral in the impact they have, when seen through gender lens. Hence, in sectors like Defence, Power, Telecom, Communications, Transport and Industry, etc. GBCs may undertake an exercise to identify the possibility of undertaking initiatives/special measures to facilitate/improve access to services for women and their active participation in the decision making process at various levels.
 - 7) Disseminate best practices followed by those Divisions of the Department/Ministry implementing schemes, which have done good work in analyzing the schemes/ programmes from gender perspective which have brought about changes in policy/ operational guidelines.
 - 8) Prepare a Chapter on Gender perspective related to the Sector/Service covered by the Ministry and the impact of the existing policies/ programmes and resources employed in meeting the specific needs of women for reflection in the Ministry’s Outcome/Performance Budget.