



# **INTRODUCTION**

**PCPNDT ACT 1994  
( 20 September 1994 )  
AMENDMENT ACT, 2002  
(NO.14 OF 2003)**

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An act to provide for the prohibition of sex selection, before or after conception and for regulation of prenatal diagnostic techniques for the purpose of detecting genetic abnormalities or metabolic disorders or chromosomal abnormalities or certain congenital malformations or sex-linked disorders and for the prevention of their misuse for sex determination leading to female feticide and for matters connected therewith or incidental.

Passed in the Parliament in the Forty-fifth Year of the Republic of INDIA now it stands as THE PRE-CONCEPTION AND PRE-NATAL DIAGNOSTIC TECHNIQUES (PROHIBITION OF SEX SELECTION) ACT, 1994 (57 of 1994)

Misuse of modern diagnostic facilities like ultra-sonography, amniocentesis, chorionic villi examination etc for the purpose of female feticide which is against the female sex and affects the dignity and status of women, dowry, Men Dominated Society, Son preference, *Pind-Daan* etc related matters were raised by the organizations working for the welfare and uplift of women therefore it was necessary to bring a legislation to regulate use of diagnostic techniques and to provided punishment to stop the misuse of diagnostic techniques. It also prohibits advertisement of PNDT for detection & determination of sex. Permission & regulation of the use of PNDT for the purpose of detection of specific genetic abnormalities or disorders etc. Only to registered centre under this act.