



Legal Aid Society

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Report of the Legal Podcast on Pregnancy-related violence by Legal Aid Members on 4th January 2026

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad, has produced an insightful legal podcast that delves into the critical issue of pregnancy-related violence. This episode features dedicated members of the Legal Aid Society, who bring their expertise and perspectives to the discussion.

The podcast offers a thorough exploration of pregnancy-related violence, paying particular attention to the complex themes of surrogacy and abortion. It begins with a historical overview of surrogacy in India, tracing the evolution of relevant legislations aimed at promoting safer and more ethical practices in this field. The discussion highlights key milestones in the legislative landscape, including the recent ban on commercial surrogacy, and examines the far-reaching implications of this ban on potential surrogates, intended parents, and the broader society.

In the latter half of the podcast, the conversation shifts to an in-depth analysis of the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act of 1971. The participants provide a comprehensive review of the Act, detailing the eligibility criteria for termination of pregnancy and evaluating its impact on women's autonomy and rights. The analysis emphasizes how the legislation has shaped women's access to reproductive health services and the ongoing struggles for reproductive justice in India.

Listeners can expect a robust dialogue that not only addresses the legal dimensions of these critical issues but also engages with the ethical considerations and real-life implications for women facing pregnancy-related violence.

