

**27th Session of the UPR working group**

**Questions and recommendations by Finland to India**

**4th May 2017**

Mr. President,

Finland wishes to thank India for a comprehensive national report and for its presentation today. We wish to make the following recommendations:

1. Firstly, Finland recommends that India continues to further the sexual and reproductive health and rights of all women, by immediately putting an end to camp-based sterilization operations in accordance with the Supreme Court order of 14th September 2016, by ensuring all women access to counselling on and access to the full range of modern contraceptives in a voluntary, safe, and quality manner, and by providing comprehensive sexuality education.
2. Second, Finland recommends that India, in the spirit of its constitution which guarantees equal rights to all minorities, further invests in dedicated human rights training of police officials to register and investigate cases of discrimination and violence and to hold them accountable when they fail to do so;

Finland would like to commend India for passing the law on the rights of persons with disabilities in December 2016.

Thank you.