**Statement by Kazakhstan**

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**India**

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Kazakhstan warmly welcomes the delegation of India to the fourth cycle of UPR and thanks it for its presentation.

We commend India for making wide-ranging progress in the promotion and protection of human rights in the country, as well as its active collaboration as a member of the Human Rights Council. Kazakhstan appreciates the advances India has made to eradicate poverty, protect and ensure the rights of vulnerable groups, such as women, children, people with disabilities and minorities.

My delegation would like to recommend India to:

* Take further steps to combat sexual offences against women and children.
* Enhance efforts to increase livelihood opportunities, especially for women empowerment and to address rural poverty.
* Strengthen its national efforts toward the ratification of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (UNCAT).

We wish the delegation of India a successful review.