## CIRCULAR

Directions have already been issued to assign cases involving sexual assault against women exclusively to the Courts presided over by women Judicial Officers in your District/ establishment.

It is a settled law that cases involving sexual assault against women are required to be dealt with greater sensitivity.

In these cases, women are the victims of crime and for the purpose of enabling victims to give their evidence in a stress-free atmosphere and without any fear or embarrassment, it is desirable that all staff members i.e. Bench Clerks, Stenographer, Interpreter, Typist-cum-Clerk, Havildar/Peons, are all women.

8<sup>th</sup> March being a Women's Day, the Hon'ble the Chief Justice has directed that the above instructions be implemented immediately from tomorrow, the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2013, itself.

7<sup>th</sup> March, 2013

(S.B. Shukre) Registrar General