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Chairman speaking:

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to Ms. Divya Srinivasan on behalf of the committee and myself. I would like to thank you for joining this very important meeting today, because the bill in focusing the committee right now is the bill on amendments to the law on sexual violence and therefore this research and its outcomes and its findings especially that on chapter under protection gaps in laws related to sexual violence, page 17 if you want, we can share. The chapter on protection gaps in laws related to sexual violence is of most importance and relevance to us at this movement because we are currently reviewing the law on sexual violence. And so, the gaps and issues identified and what we need to amend in terms of this research and also in relation to international commitments standards this is very important for us to know. And so, I would like to open the floor to the participants of this meeting outside of the committee to take the floor and present your findings and take this opportunity to share whatever is relevant to our work at the movement. Thank you. Yes, Ms. Srinivasan. I think you can take the floor now. Can I just, sorry to interrupt but I think Humay wants to point out something.

Uthema member, Humaidha Abdul Gafoor Speaking:

Divya, you just drop out. So, if you could just go back a minute that will be helpful. Thank you.

Chairman speaking:

Section 53 (E).

Uthema member, Humaidha Abdul Gafoor Speaking:

Thank you Divya. Yes, I can. If you can just pass on go to the next slide. Yeah, maybe I can take this in Dhivehi if that's ok with you.

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تقریریں اور تجاویز:

انگریزی میں تقریریں کرتے ہوئے مسز ٹاڈ سٹیج پر آئے اور ان کے خطاب سے متعلق ایک مختصر خلاصہ پیش کیا۔ انگریزی میں تقریریں کرنے پر ان کے متعلق کسی سوال پر (انگریزی میں) ان کے جواب دہ ہوئے۔ انگریزی میں تقریریں کرنے کے بارے میں انگریزی میں تقریریں کرنے کے بارے میں اور انگریزی میں تقریریں کرنے کے بارے میں۔

That would be the right way to do this. Ok. Sorry Divya. I'll continue in English. Thank you so much for the brief summary of the research and the clarity with which you've presented your case and I think it's very clear to all members here what you are proposing and why you're proposing it, and it's well justified and we as a committee accept the proposals that you've put forth and we believe that's the way forward as well. I just also wanted to point out that from the amendments that you've proposed us recommendations in this report section 53 E is actually already proposed to be removed. So, section 53 B, D and E is already proposed to be removed and the only thing we need to address right now is section 53 D. B is what we need to attend to right now. Because B is not proposed for amendment and I think the committee will consider the, yes, I just wanted to point out that in the presentation I think we've missed one point that the, that is the fact that section 53 E is already proposed for removal. So, I think that's taken care of and like honorable MP here just pointed out with the current amendments do not take into account section 52 and the heavy evidence, the burden of evidence. And so, I think we will consider that as well and revisit section 52 and see what we can do there. With the other recommendations that you have proposed I under the recommendations and ensuring survivor friendly medical examinations in cases of rape, I think as far as the locals, I know that there is the training of the personal training of medical officers and other relevant persons that we need to get into. But as far as a lowest concerned I think what we have in proposal right now is exactly what your proposing, survivor friendly medical extermination which did not exist before. And I think we have a; the good thing is we have consensus from all stakeholders and meetings with all stakeholders on moving ahead with this. And so, this amendment will most likely be taken and when we go ahead. So, which is a very positive outcome of what the work that we are doing right now. Similarly, the removal of sections D, E and under 52, under section 52 D and E is also proposed to be removed and I think we have consensus on that as well. So, what we need to discuss right now is article 52 and article 53 B revisited again. And I guess that should in terms of the law take care of lot of the



recommendations that you've put forward and I think that should put us in far with the standards that is expected of such a law. In terms of the protection of children in marriage from marital rape, I think we will revisit the, I will have a look at that 2019 the recent amendment to the child rights protection, the new child protection act. To begin with it prohibits marriage, underage marriages, marriages to children. So, I guess in a way that we've address that in a way. But then we have to take into account that there are already children who are married between the ages of 16 and 18. I think we still have some amendments. So, what we can do for them is in terms of law, what we can do for them is what we need to revisit. So, we will take a look at that as well. That should take care of the law and what we can do from here at committee level immediately in fact. In terms of improving social protection services the resources what we have been continuously doing over here at the committee in the past two years is reviewing the budget of the women's missionary, and last year what we, I think it's the first time in history where the Ministries come in and said we have enough budget, and which is true. It is the biggest budget that they've received so far. And so, what we can do as committee here is I think continue to dissect the budget for protection for women and then continue to see that the social protection services have the resources it requires, and budget analysis is I guess something we can continue to do. But what we also need to see continually like you point out is how the police response. Implementation of the social protection services prosecution, prosecution rates, how trials are conducted and basically how the system responds to what is in the law is what we need to be doing continually and I guess that's the monitoring role of the committee, and we have the mandate to do it through via the other institutions such as the family protection authority, the Human Rights Commission, other monitoring bodies and then and also to review on a case by case basis which we have done over the past two years or so. So, I guess that is the commitment you have from us. And it's been very easy because it's very, it's been very timely that this meeting and our review of the law and the work that is ongoing. Although it's one of the most difficult laws we have had to maneuver. Because understanding and getting people to understand how stereotypical views of women and how stereotypical understanding and cultural associations with women how we use to deconstruct that to change, to make changes in the law. That is, that has been tough. And so, we will, we will see hopefully, we will in the coming days as we go on to address finish the review of the law, we will revisit section 52 and section 53 B. yeah. Yes. Thank you. Anything to add?



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Uthema member, Humaidha Abdul Gafoor Speaking:

Divya, thank you very much. We have been just carrying on Dhivehi. Thank you for your patience and also for your time sharing the information with us today. So, I will pass on to the chair. Thank you.

Chairman speaking:

I just want to acquire Mary and Humay’s gratitude and thank you for joining us and sharing your thoughts and the finding of the research with us. This has been very helpful. Thank you to Uthema also for this collaboration and sitting with us today for this very useful and insightful meeting. We always enjoy having these kinds of opportunities with civilians and especially Uthema. Thank you so much Divya. Thank you, members. Don’t have any comments, we will conclude to this committee meeting and as we move on with the bill we will definitely consider the proposals put forward. Thank you so much.

Uthema member, Humaidha Abdul Gafoor Speaking:

Thank you so much.

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