

Uttar Pradesh Assembly passes CRPC Amendment Bill

Why In News?

On September 23, 2022, the Uttar Pradesh Assembly passed the CRPC i.e. Code of Criminal Procedure (Uttar Pradesh Amendment) Bill, 2022 to curb crimes against women. Under this, now the accused in cases of rape and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO) will not get anticipatory bail.

Key Points

- Parliamentary Affairs Minister Suresh Kumar Khanna proposed to pass the Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2022 in the House. Speaker Satish Mahana announced the passage of the bill as the ruling members voted for it.
- It is to be notified that the Code of Criminal Procedure (Uttar Pradesh Amendment) Bill, 2022 was introduced in the Assembly by the state government on September 22.
- Under the provision of the Bill, rape accused will no longer get anticipatory bail. The amendment bill seeks to amend Section 438 of the CRPC as well as provide for not granting anticipatory bail to the accused under sections 376, 376-A, 376-AB, 376-B, 376-C, 376-D, 376-DA, 376-DB, 386-E.
- Not only rape and gangrape but also in cases of sexual offences, abuse and sexual abuse, anticipatory bail will not be granted.
- However, it is mandatory to get the approval of the Central Government on the implementation of this law because it requires the approval of the Ministry of Home Affairs.

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