



Transgender Welfare Board

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In the light of a decision given by the **Supreme Court**, the Uttar Pradesh government has constituted the **Transgender Welfare Board**.

The board will give suggestions to the government for policy and institutional reforms while working on the needs, issues and problems of the transgenders.

Key Points

- Uttar Pradesh Transgender Welfare Board is **an organization with total 23 members**. Its structure is as follows-
 - **Chairman:** Social Welfare Minister
 - **Deputy Chairman:** A member of the Transgender community nominated by the Chief Minister
 - **Member Secretary:** Director, Social Welfare Department
 - **Convenor:** Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary
 - **Members:** 5 representatives of the transgender community and 2 representatives of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) working for the transgender community.
 - **Ex-officio Member:** Secretaries of various departments and Lucknow Police Commissioner
- The **term of the non-official members of the Board will be for 3 years** and the Board will be **required to meet once in three months**.
- Apart from this, **Transgender Cooperation Unit** will be constituted **under the chairmanship of Director, Social Welfare**, which will prepare the database of transgenders as well as solving the problems of transgenders and submit the report to the government regarding the time-limit for implementation of policies.
- There will also be a **13-member committee under the chairmanship of DM** in the districts, which will meet every month.