

MANAS Helpline

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The MANAS Helpline, launched in July 2024, has completed one year and received over 70,000 citizen reports on drug-related issues.

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- About: Madak-Padarth Nished Asoochna Kendra (MANAS) is a secure, anonymous platform for citizens to report drug-related crimes under the NDPS Act and seek support for prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation of drug abuse.
- Launched by: It is an initiative of the <u>Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB)</u> under the <u>Ministry of Home Affairs</u>.

India's Framework to Fight Against Drug Menace

- Article 47 of the Indian Constitution:Directs the State to impose prohibition on the consumption of intoxicating drinks and harmful drugs, except for medicinal purposes.
- International Conventions: India is a signatory to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961 (amended by the 1972 Protocol), the Convention on Psychotropic Substances 1971 and the UN Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances 1988.
- Legislation: Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985, and Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988.
- Other Initiatives: NIDAAN Portal, Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyan etc.

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