## 23. UTTAR PRADESH

#### COMMITTEES

# STATE AND DISTRICT LEVEL VIGILANCE AND MONITORING COMMITTEE

A State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee under the Chairpersonship of Commissioner and the Principal Secretary reviews the cases of offences of atrocities under the Act.

A District Level Vigilance & Monitoring Committee under the Chairpersonship of the District Collector in all the Districts also reviews cases of offences of atrocities.

### STATE LEVEL SC AND ST PROTECTION CELL

A Special Inquiry Cell comprises of an Additional Director General of Police, an Inspector General of Police, a Deputy Inspector General of Police, Superintendent of Police, Additional Superintendent of Police and nine Dy. Superintendent of Police. Besides this Cell, a Special Investigation Cell has also been set up in 20 districts of Uttar Pradesh. Further, six State Railway Police Stations also function under overall supervision of Superintendent of Police.

A State level Cell in the Office of the Secretary, Social Welfare Department, also looks after the cases under the Act.

#### IDENTIFICATION OF ATROCITY PRONE AREAS

20 Districts, namely Lucknow, Hardoi, Sitapur, Raibareli, Unno, Gonda, Baraich, Barabanki, Sultanpur, Fatehgarh, Etawa, Banda, Jalaun, Basti, Gorkhpur, Azamgarh, Badaun, Meerut, Varanasi and Agra have been identified as sensitive

#### SPECIAL COURTS

40 Exclusive Special Courts in the Districts of Farrukhabad, Unnao, Basti, Banda, Etawah, Hamirpur, Gonda, Kanpur Nagar, Badaun, Sultanpur, Barabanki, Bulandsahar, Gorakhpur, Varansi, Pilibhit, Etah, Deoria, Jhansi, Faizabad, Agra,

Kanpur Rural, Bairach, Lucknow, Jalaun (Urai), Meerut, Gaziabad, Siddarth Nagar, Mirzapur, Chandoli, Balrampur, Fatehpur, Gazipur, Mainpuri, Kannauj, Bareilly, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Hardoi, Shravasti, Bagpat and Jyotiba Phule Nagar conduct trial of offences under the Act.

## LEGAL AID

Free legal aid is provided to members of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

#### ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL REHABILITATION

The economic and social rehabilitation of the victims of the atrocities/dependents is provided as per the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Rules, 1995. During the year 2006-07, an amount of Rs. 1075.27 lakh was provided to 5,704 persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. The travelling and maintenance expenses to the victims of the atrocities/dependents and to the witnesses are also provided