

The MTP, POSCO, AND PCPNDT are often interlinked in this discourse of abortion because of various reasons, however, it can complicate this arena of abortion sometimes. POSCO refers to protection of children from Sexual offences. This act seeks to protect children from criminal nature, however under this act, any individual under the age of 18 cannot be a consenting adult, and therefore a pregnant teenager cannot seek abortion safely as POSCO act criminalises sexual activity or crime against children. This even includes two consenting Teenagers who might seek abortion to terminate unwanted pregnancy. And therefore this adds to the stigma of abortion, as their guardian has to be informed too.

The PCPNDT act refers to preconception and prenatal diagnostic techniques. Under this act, one cannot detect the sex of the baby under any circumstances. It was enacted because of the skewed sex ratio on India and increased female foeticide. However, this act also regulates the use of these techniques to look for genetic anomalies, disorders, and specific congenital malfunctions. Many doctors deny abortion on the ground of suspicion that the person might be seeking to terminate the pregnancy because of the sex of the baby. Therefore it makes the procedure inaccessible.