

ANTI-HARASSMENT CELLS SET UP IN B'WOOD: MANEKA

New Delhi: Union minister for women and child development Maneka Gandhi on Monday said seven Bollywood production houses have accepted her request to form panels to deal with cases of sexual harassment, and urged 17 others to follow their lead. She also urged the production houses to submit a report about the internal complaints committee set up by them. Last year, Ms Gandhi had asked Bollywood filmmakers to comply with the Sexual Harassment at Workplace Act, 2013 and set up committees to hear complaints. She had written to 24 production houses, including actor Shahrukh Khan's Red Chillies Entertainment, Karan Johar's Dharma Production, to form an anti-sexual harassment cell. Citing a media report, Gandhi said that it was encouraging that seven production houses have accepted her request. According to the media report cited by her, the seven production houses that have formed a sexual harassment committee are Yashraj Films, Aamir Khan Production, Mukta Arts, Excel Entertainment, Phantom Films, T-Series and Drishyam Films. — *PTI*