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Bill to regulate
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NEW DELHI: The Government on Monday introduced a bill to ban "commercial surrogacy" and allow "ethical altruistic surrogacy" only to infertile married Indian couples under a regulatory framework.

The woman must be in the 23-50 age range, while the man should be in the 26-55 age range.

"The intending couples should be legally married for at least five years and should be Indian citizens to undertake surrogacy or surrogacy procedures," the Surrogacy (Regulation) Bill 2019, introduced by Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan, stipulates.

In the statement of objects and reasons, the bill underlines that while India has emerged as "a surrogacy hub" for the couples from different countries for past few years.

There have been reported incidents of unethical practices, exploitation of surrogate mothers, abandonment of children born out of surrogacy and import of human embryos and gametes.

"In the light of above, it had become necessary to enact a legislation to regulate surrogacy services in the country, to prohibit the potential exploitation of surrogate mothers and to protect the rights of children born through surrogacy," the statement of objects and reasons says.

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