

- evaluating the status of Indian women from time to time and
- funding and fighting cases related to women's rights violations.

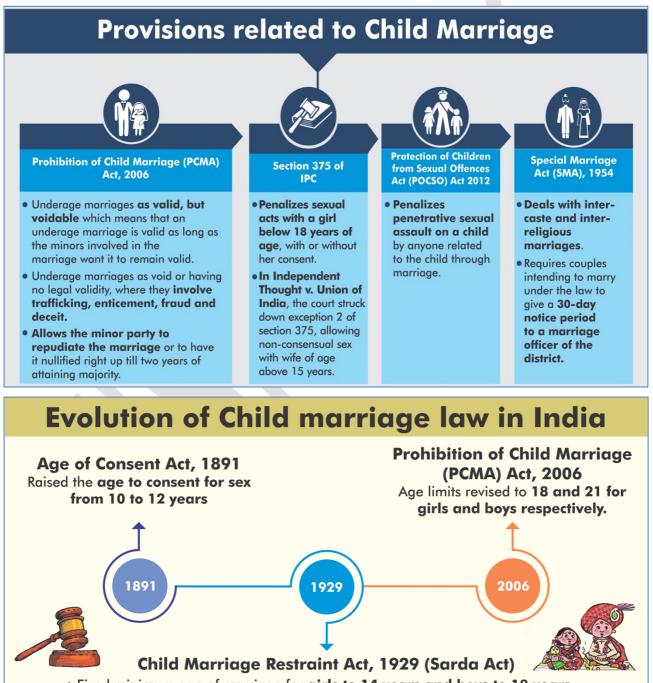
About UN Women:

- It is the United Nations entity, established in 2010, dedicated to gender equality and the empowerment of women.
- It works globally to make the vision of the **Sustainable Development Goals** a reality for women and girls and stands behind women's equal participation in all aspects of life.

1.5. CHILD MARRIAGE

Why in News?

The government is likely to decide on revising the minimum age of marriage for girls based on **Task Force report (headed by Jaya Jaitly)** to examine matters pertaining to age of motherhood, imperatives of lowering MMR and improvement of nutritional levels and related issues.



Fixed minimum age of marriage for girls to 14 years and boys to 18 years.
This act was amended in 1978 which changed age to 21 and 18 for boys and girls respectively. Later, it was also reiterated in 2006 Act.