## Indian Doctor Jailed for Determining Gender of Unborn Child



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## Reading

A doctor and his assistant in the northern state of Haryana have been jailed for two years, after local authorities sent decoy patients to the doctor's clinic to determine the gender of the women's fetuses.

The prosecution said the doctor used ultrasound to determine the fetuses' sex, and when one was found to be a female, he promised the mother he would "take care" of it.

India banned ultrasound tests done to determine the sex of a fetus in 1994, after it was realized how parents across the country were using the technology. But the practice continues.

Indian experts say at least six-million female fetuses have been eliminated during the past 20 years due to sex-selective abortions. A recent study by the British medical journal The Lancet put the number as high as 10 million.

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