New Reproductive Technology in India: Social Context, Legal Implications, and Health Outcomes

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ABSTRACT New reproductive technologies that include techniques associated with pre-natal sex determination, pre-conceptional sperm separation, in vitro fertilization and other similar techniques used for sex selective conception have made advances during the last few decades. The paper discusses the ethical issues and social implication of these technologies with particular reference to Indian situations. Although pre-natal sex determination and sex selective abortions are illegal in India, the current laws must be revised for their effective reinforcement. The paper highlights that NRT’s expose Indian women to additional health risk.