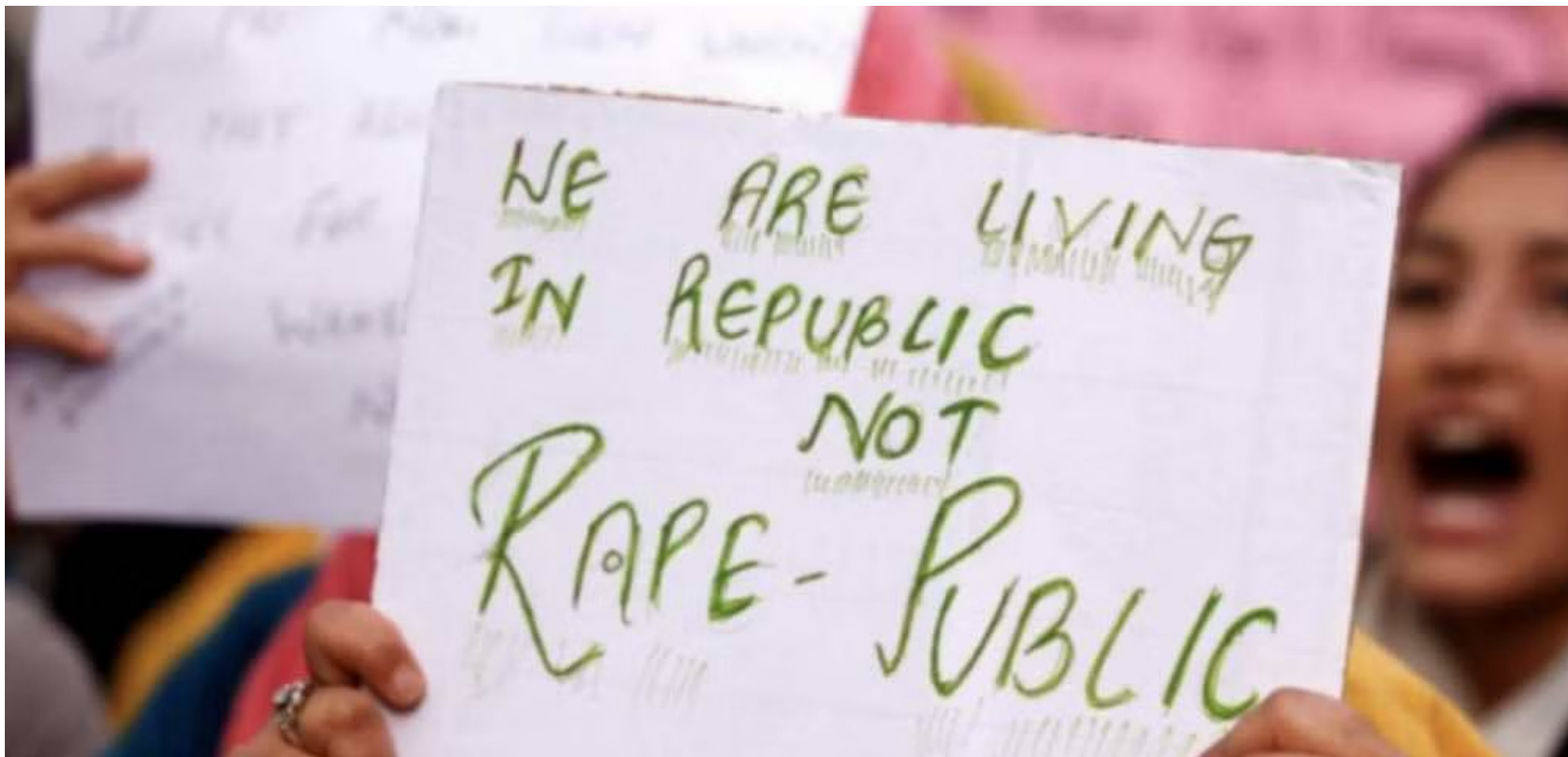


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New Delhi: A report by the Parliament Standing Committee on Home Affairs on atrocities and crimes against women and children has highlighted the poor conviction rates and high pendency of cases related to crimes belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

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The **report**, tabled in the Rajya Sabha last week, stated that while there has been an increase of 15.55% in crimes against women and children from SC/ST communities in the last three years (2017-2019), the conviction rate remains low.

Prevention of Atrocities (PoA) Act in the same period has been as low as 26.86 per cent, with penden
84.09 per cent.



The panel has recommended that law enforcement agencies should include the provisions of the Po

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