Crime against women vis a vis Human Trafficking

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Examples of Violence against Women-Throughout the Life Cycle

Phase

– Type of violence

 <u>Pre-birth</u> - Sex-selective abortion; Pre Natal Diagnostic test

• <u>Infancy</u>

Girlhood

- Female infanticide, Baby selling, physical, sexual and psychological abuse.
- Child marriage; female genital mutilation;; incest; child prostitution and pornography, child abuse



 Eve teasing, kidnapping, sexual assault, Dating and courtship violence (e.g. acid throwing and date rape) economically coerced sex (e.g. school girls having sex with "sugar daddies" in return for school fees); incest

• <u>Adulthood</u>

 Domestic violence, dowry abuse and murders, Sexual abuse in the workplace; rape; sexual harassment; forced prostitution and pornography; trafficking in women; partner violence; marital rape; partner homicide; psychological abuse; abuse of women with disabilities; forced pregnancy.

• Elderly

 Forced "suicide" or homicide of widows for economic reasons; sexual, physical and psychological abuse

"इन लड़कों को समझ में आना चाहिए... न का मतलब न होता है। उसे बोलने वाली लड़की कोई परिचित हो, दोस्त हो, यर्लफ्रेंड हो, कोई सेक्स वर्कर हो या आपकी अपनी बीवी ही क्यों न हो, न मतलब 'न'। जब कोई न कहे तो रुक जाओ।"



Sexual harassment and punishment for sexual harassment. '354 A.

. A man committing any of the following acts—

i. physical contact and advances involving unwelcome and explicit sexual overtures; or

- ii. a demand or request for sexual favors; or
- iii. showing pornography against the will of a woman; or

iv. making sexually colored remarks, shall be guilty of the offence of sexual harassment.

Assault or use of criminal force to woman with intent to disrobe. 354B.

 Any man who assaults or uses criminal force to any woman or abets such act with the intention of disrobing or compelling her to be naked, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which shall not be less than three years but which may extend to seven years, and shall also be liable to fine.

Voyeurism 354C

- Any man who
- watches, or captures the image of a woman engaging in a private act in circumstances where she would usually have the expectation of not being observed either by the perpetrator or by any other person at the behest of the perpetrator or disseminates such image

Stalking. 354D.

1. Any man who—

i. follows a woman and contacts, or attempts. to contact such woman to foster personal interaction repeatedly despite a clear indication of disinterest by such woman; or

 ii. monitors the use by a woman of the internet, email or any other form of electronic communication, commits the offence of stalking:

354 D Stalking

- 2. Whoever commits the offence of stalking shall be punished on first conviction with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to three years, and shall also be liable to fine; and be punished on a second or subsequent conviction, with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to five years, and shall also be liable to fine.'.

She Teams - Yatra Narystu pujyante I Ramante tatra Devtaha I

- Delhi Nirbhaya case 16th December 2012

 When a women will move freely at midnight then only I will believe that our country got true independence- Mahatma Gandhi

Do not tell your daughter not to go out of house.
 Tell your son how to behave with women

She teams



Functioning of SHE Teams Decoy Operation

- Team goes to Hot Spots in mufti with spy camera
- Observes for eve teasers, stalkers by videography
- If identified, Speaks to the victim girl
- Catch the eve teaser
- Takes to Police Station



Each Team Composition

Team In charge

Sub Inspector of Police

With 3-4 PCs/HCs + 1-2 WPCs

Team members

In civvies





Functioning of SHE Teams **Counselling at** Crime Against Women Cell Professional counselling to respondents Calls parents / wife/ children and conduct counselling on every Saturday













Getting feedback from counsellors







Proffesional counselling for eve teasing offenders in the presence of their family members

Rachakonda SHE TEAMS

SHE Shuttles

 Absolutely free service, only for women employees of IT companies which are members of SCSC.

– Techno-friendly:

>SHE- Shuttle equips itself with a "Reach Safe App",

>A women security guard ,

A Smart App with panic but Download Mobile App www.reachsafe.com



Margdarshak in IT Companies





She For Her

In coordination with She teams

Telangana /A.P. state women

commission Chairperson Tripurana

Venkatratnam has inaugurated



From 75 colleges 150 girls are facilitators





SVPNPA Director Aruna Bahuguna, CIDIG Sowmya Mishra take part in an event organised by Rachakonda police in connection with the completion of six months for SHE Teams at the Commissionerate in Hyderabad on Friday | EXPRESS PHOTO

Rachakonda team all set to start 'SHE for HER'

Where two students will be picked from each edu institution and trained to fight eve-teasing and other crimes in schools, colleges

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hyderabad

STATING that a lot of awareness needs to be created among public with respect to safety of women, senior IPS officer and director of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy (SVP NPA) Aruna M Bahuguna appealed to women victims to come forward in lodging complaints.

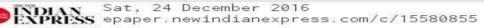
Aruna Bahuguna was the chief guest at an event to commemorate completion of six months of the Rachakonda Commissionerate SHE teams, held at LB Nagar on Friday. Speaking on the occasion, he said that SHE teams help the women by providing safety and secure measures. If any woman is facing harassment from miscreants, they can come forward in lodging complaint with the police to sought justice and to punish such miscreants. The NPA director launched the SHE teams Logo on the occasion.

The Telangana State Crime Investigation Department (CID) Inspector General (IG) Sowmya Mishra, who launched the facebook page of SHE team of Rachakonda police, said that the state government introduced SHE teams for providing safety of women in the state.

With SHE teams working perfectly by taking stern action against miscreants, it would help in reducing the crime against women.

The Rachakonda Police Commissioner Mahesh M Bhagavat said that around 600 cases have been registered in last six months and it was revealed that most of the eve-teasing cases are found in colleges and schools.

"Rachakonda SHE teams are all set to start a programme "SHE for HER" in which two students will be selected from each college and will be trained by SHE teams to fight against the eve-teasing crimes in colleges. It will help us in preventing the offences of crime against women," Mahesh M Bhagavat felt.





Gang rape case of a minor girl Case Study of Kottagudem

- The incident of gang Rape on minor girl occurred on 17-02-2007 but it was reported on 5-01-2009 only as victim was threatened for not to reveal and accused prepared a Video
 CD of Rape and circulated it on City cable Channel at Kottagudem Town of Khammam District.
- Based on report gang rape & further blackmailing through circulation of obscene photographs of Rape, Kottagudem 2
 Town Police of Khammam District in A.P. registered a case.
- SDPO Kottagudem has investigated the case & filed charge sheet under sections of gang Rape, procuration of minor girl, Information Technology act and indecent representation of women act. A separate case was registered against City Cable for telecasting obscene film.

– <u>Highlights</u>

- 1)All 14 accused were arrested immediately within 24 hours after reporting of Crime and were exposed to community by taking them on feet from Police station to Court at the time of remand. Rowdy sheets are opened against all of them. They are inside the jail since the date of remand
- -2) A separate case registered against City Cable channel operators for broadcasting obscene photos of rape victims.
- 3) Victims identity was not revealed to visual and print Media and protection was given to her. (228A IPC) \$22\$

-4) Criminal case was transferred to Fast Track Court on the orders of District judge Sri Jagannath Reddy and in camera trial conducted within 1 year following Sec. 327
Cr.Pc and Supreme Court Judgment in Sakshi vs. Union of India

-5) Medical reports about gang rape,
 Forensic lab report on originality
 of obscene pictures (not morphed one),
 mock trial & due briefing to witnesses by
 Public prosecutor helped in getting case
 convicted

- <u>Rehabilitation of Victim</u>-
- 1) Victim girls received Rs. 1 lakh relief from District Collector Smt. Usha Rani IAS following GO MS NO. 28 /2003 of Women and Child Development of Government of Andhra Pradesh.
 2) Dr. Sunita Krishnan of Prajwala NGO has done psychosocial counseling to victim to pursue higher studies
- As per Andhra Pradesh Government's order for rehabilitation of victims of Rape, victim girl got admission to study Diploma course in Durgabai Deshmukh Polytechnic College, Hyderabad and currently pursuing her studies. 2.

-<u>Conviction Particulars</u>

 On 15/04/2010 Hon'ble Additional Session Judge of Kottagudem Fast track Court Smt.
 Vijayalakshmi has pronounced Judgment awarding punishment of Life imprisonment to 9 accused

Accused A1 to A9 convicted for life
imprisonment under the offences Sec. 366
(A), 376 (2) (g), 294(b), 292 IPC Sec. 66 of
the Information Technology Act-2000.

A10 convicted for 10years R.I for 366(A),376 (2) (g) R/w. 109 IPC

- A11 to A14 convicted for 5 years R.I. under
 66 & 67 of the Information Technology Act2000 & Sec. 6 of Indecent Representation of
 Women Act, 1986
- -As a Superintendent of Police of Khammam District (Oct.2008 to July 2009) I have directly supervised the investigation of case till filing of Charge sheet and monitoring of trial done by my successor Mr. Anil Kumar (present FRRO)

<u>Protection of women from Domestic violence act of</u> <u>2005</u>-

- Domestic violence
- Physical abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Verbal & emotional abuse
- Economic abuse
- <u>Reliefs</u>
- Protection OrderCustody order
- Residence order
- Monetary relief
- Compensation

Salient features of the act

Intermediate relief in 3 days

- Final order in 60 days
- -Counseling through service provider
- Protection Officer are non Police
 one. PD Women and child welfare

-Living in relation ship accepted



Recruitment Transport Transfer Harbouring Receipt of persons



MEANS

Threat or use of force

Coercion

Abduction

Fraud

Deception

Abuse of power or vulnerability

> Giving payments or benefits

PURPOSE

Exploitation, including

Prostitution of others

Sexual exploitation

Forced labour

Slavery or similar practices

Removal of organs

Other types of exploitation

What is Human Trafficking?

- IPC 370: Section 370 of the Indian Penal Code

Whoever, for the purpose of exploitation, (a) recruits, (b) transports, (c) harbours, (d) transfers, or (e) receives, a person or persons, by—

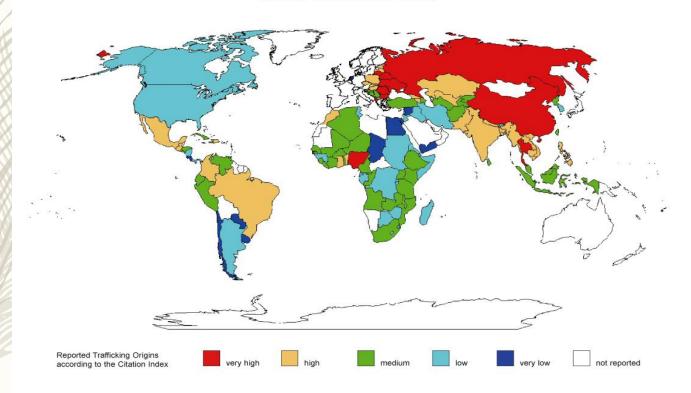
- using threats, or
- using force, or any other form of coercion, or
- by abduction, or

Trafficking in person he/she is.....

- Kidnapped
- Procured illegally
- Bought
- Sold
- Wrongfully Restrained
- Wrongfully confined
- Tortured/injured
- Mentally harassed
- Repeatedly raped
- Subjected to unnatural offences
- Victim of criminal conspiracy SHE IS VICTIM

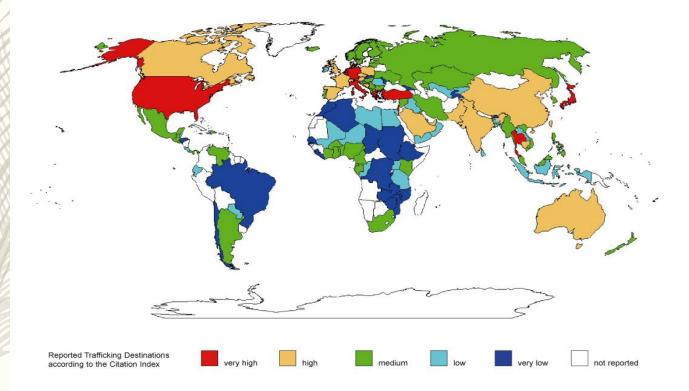
3rd largest organized crime in the world. 8 lakh women and children trafficked every year After Drugs and Arms trade, Trafficking is





India is source, transit and destination (30000)

Trafficking Victims: Countries of Destination



Prevention –Reduce the demand

More the demand more will supply. Buying and selling of Girls from one trafficker to other like commodity-Naya Maal aaya hai- Mehaboob ki Mehandi of Hyderabad demolished in 1990s. " Jab tak Mard Jinda hai tab tak hamara dhanda chalta rahega"

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OSweden Model- Educate all stake holders, legal amendment, heavy punishment for clientele / customers

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• Can we reduce the demand?-Customer or Clientele is punishable U/s 5(1) (d) & sec. 7(1) of ITPA (Cherian vs. Kerala , 1973 Crl. L.J. 839). Sc. 114 IPC as customer is Abettor to Crime. If Victim is child then sec. 376 IPC and POCSO sections attracts to customer

Andhra Pradesh/TELANGANA Model of Anti Human trafficking

- Problem: State of Andhra Pradesh identified as a source for supply of trafficking victims along with other South Indian states due to reasons like customary and traditional practices, unemployment, migration, illiteracy, practice of contract marriages
- Inter country trafficking networks with USA (Laki Reddy Bali Reddy case), Singapore, Malaysia, Dubai, Sudan, Oman, UAE, Kuwait

Strategy Identifying Hot routes of trafficking



Trafficking of women and children occurs both within the country as well as internationally

O Trafficking networks of Andhra Pradesh

a) Intrastate: within the state, from villages to Cities, from city to city. Hyderabad, Tirupati, Vijaywada, Visakhapatnam are destinations

- B)Interstate: from Andhra
 Pradesh to Delhi, Maharshtra,
 Tamilnadu, Karnataka, Goa etc.
- c) Inter country: to Gulf countries, Singapore, Malaysia, USA

strategy Change/in/role of Polic

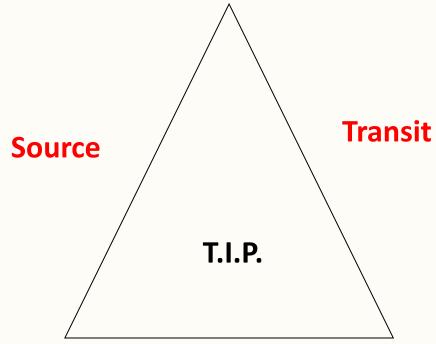
2006 - IND S16 project of UNODC & MHA in 5 states with A.P., Bihar, Goa, Maharashtra and West Bengal

AHTU's formed at Hyderabad, Eluru, Anantpur, Karimnagar and Guntur

Training and capacity building of Police officers, men & Prosecutors with sensitization of Judiciary

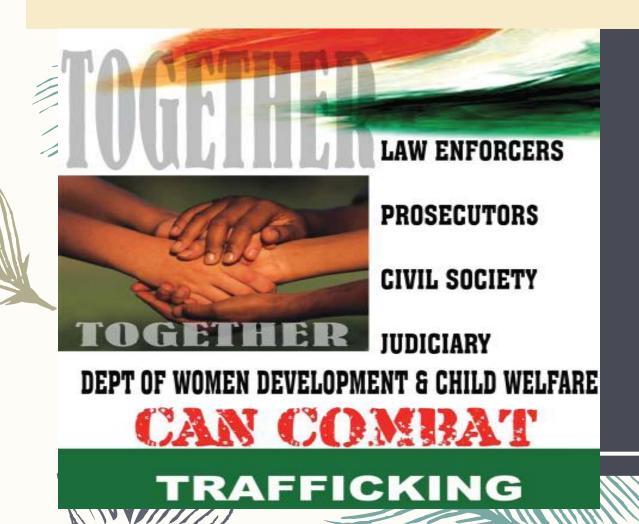
Victim centric, right based, multi disciplinary approach

STAKE HOLDERS INTERVENTION Diligent rescue operations with 5R's (Rescue, rehabilitation, restoration, repatriation and reintegration) and 3P's (prevention, protection and prosecution) strategy



Destination

Synergy amongst stake holders for multidisciplinary approach Attitudinal change- treating survivors with respect/ VOCSET. Preventing re victimization



Support from Collectors & District magistrates, Sub divisional magistrates / RDO's

<u>Closure of brothels & eviction of offenders</u> Sec. 18. (1) of Immoral Traffic Prevention act -Closure of brothel and eviction of offenders from the premises. No appeal in any Civil & Criminal Court(High Court/ Supreme court also) Sec. 18 (3) ITPA, 1986

➤ Guntur 8 Lodges closed in 2006,

> Kadapa 1 house

East Godavari Pithapuram 2 lodges closed in 2010

▶ Peddapuram 13 brothels closed on 5th June, 2010

Gudivada 7 brothels closed on 30th June, 2010

Bhimavram Town closure of Brothel

Tadepalligudem , Tanuku 10 places including a lodge and a Beauty Parlour closed

➢ Rachakonda 5 Apartments

133 (1) (b) Cr.P.C.-Conditional order for removal of nuisance

District Magistrate or Sub-Divisional Magistrate or any other Executive Magistrate on receiving the report of a police officer or other information

(b) conduct of any trade or occupation; injurious to the health or physical comfort of the community, and it should be prohibited will make a conditional order for removal of nuisance or carrying on such trade or occupation,

(2) No order duly made by a Magistrate under this section shall be called in question in any civil court. In Telangana in Rachakonda Commissionerate we closed 50 apartment flats / lodges used as Brothels by taking an order from Executive Magistrate





Red light area not permitted by any law of land in India. Why there is no will to close brothels? 1700 identified Red Light areas (NCW report)

🖉 Delhi- G.B. Road-

Mumbai- Kamathipura, Grant Road

Thane- Bhivandi

Pune- Budhvar Peth

Goa

Bangalore

Chennai

PROJECT AASARA Experiment in prevention of traditional prostitution PARTNERS

- <u>Government</u>
- 1.Police
- 2.Revenue
- 3.Women and Child development.
- 4.D.R.D.A.
- 5.Education
- 6.Health
- 7.Public representatives
- 8.Panchayat raj

- Non government
- 1.Child and police CAP/ SARIQ project.
- 2.Red Cross
- 3.Corporate industries
- 4.Prajwala NGO Hyderabad

ENFORCEMENT

'AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION IS WORTH A POUND OF CURE'

OFrequent raids on prostitution dens. Arrest of organizers, procurers, brothel keepers and pimps under Immoral Traffic Prevention Act & other IPC sections. Rescue of victims of trafficking.

OHistory sheets/suspect sheets of traffickers are opened for surveillance.

OFrom19/04/2005 to 8/10/2006 100 cases are registered under sections of ITP Act & IPC (366a,372,773,376 sections)) against traffickers are pending trials in court.

OMagistrates have served notices to trafficking organizers for closure of brothels. **REHABILITATION & EMPOWERMENT OF VICTIMS OF ORGANIZED TRAFFICKING**

– District Collector also launched a training programme organized under Indira Kranti Pathakam scheme and the District rural development agency (DRDA). The members were given training for two months to make Agarbattis (incense sticks), plates and bowls of dry leaves, baskets and were also imparted training to learn tailoring at Yadgirigutta in order to provide them with the alternative sources of livelihood. District Collector made Rs. 3.5 Lakhs available as micro finance to these groups to start their activities.

REHABILITATION & EMPOWERMENT

- Two girls have been appointed as Home Guards with police department otherwise they could have been dragged into hereditary profession of prostitution.
- One month training related to security of vital installations was imparted by police to 12 youth from Dommara community, who are the children of trafficking victims & traffickers from Dommara community. These young men have now been employed as security guards for the security of Yadgirigutta temple.

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OBut for this intervention, these men would have been indulging in organizing trafficking activities acting as pimps, procurers etc.

OUnder "Vimukthi" programme that was by the police department, two girls were rescued from the clutches of the organizers of the brothel houses. they have been rehabilitated in Hyderabad

OThe Mandal revenue officer, Yadagirigutta has issued 50 cards to the families of the Dommara community under Antyodaya (AAY) scheme on request of the police department.

EDUCATION TO CHILDREN OF SEX WORKERS

• Prevention of 2nd generation prostitution providing free education to children by joining them in schools so that at least next generation should come out of this menace.

• A residential bridge school started at yadgirigutta up to 5th standard with the help of Indian red cross Nalgonda district. 64 children are facilitated and admitted into regular schools.





SOME ACHIVEMENTS

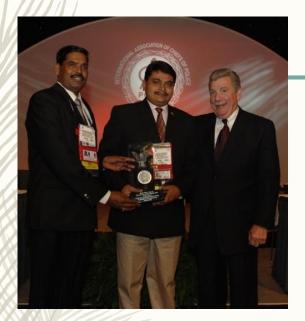
- In temple town of Yadgirigutta immoral trafficking is almost brought under control
- Awareness about A.I.D.S.
- Institutionalization The then DGP of Andhra Pradesh Sri Swaranjit Sen has applauded project Aasara, that is undertaken in the temple town Yadagirigutta and ordered that the project should be implemented in all the districts & commission rates in the Andhra Pradesh state as a pilot project vide his C.No. Rc.no. 3033 /compts. 4/2005, Dt: 29/08/2005

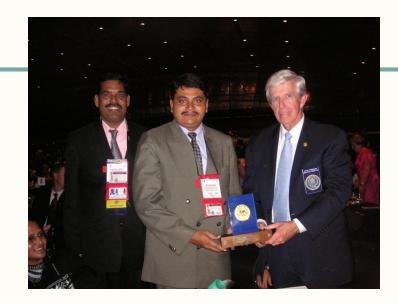
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 Image of police improved. Media & people appreciated initiative. on dd1 channel "Kiran" programme, a documentary film broadcasted & Savvy magazine October 2005 issue published a cover story.

- Protection of human rights- living with dignity.
 We could convince the people that sex workers are victims of commercial and sexual exploitation and they are also capable of leading a normal life under favorable conditions
 - Crime rate has been controlled because of control of antisocial behavior..

ACCOLADES 2 INTERNATIONAL AWARDS FROM INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE, U.S.A.





- O WINNER OF 2006 IACP/ MOTOROLA WEBBER SEAVEY LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARD ALONG WITH BEAVERTONE POLICE, OREGAON STATE ,USA & ROYAL CANADA MOUNTED POLICE
- WINNER OF 2006 CIVIL RIGHTS AWARD IN LAW ENFORCEMENT OF IACP WITH 6 OTHER AGENCIES FROM WORLD
- O RECEIVED IN 113TH IACP CONFERNCE AT BOSTON, USA, FROM 14-18TH OCTOBER,2006; ATTENDED BY 3000 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FROM 71 COUNTRIES.

Case study 1 University Professor convicted for forcing minor into Sex trade

□Brief fact of the case is that, on 2/8/2005 Tirupati police in Chittur district of Andhra Pradesh busted a well-networked prostitution racket with the arrest of a woman professor P. Vasantha Kumari working in Adult Education department of Sri Venkateswara University.

□Police swooped down on the two couples in the pent-house. Police rescued two victims native of Kakinada & Vijayvada respectively.

Date:22/08/2007

Conviction

Seven -year RI for SVU professor in sex racket case

Tirupati: The Assistant Sessions Judge, Tirupati, Sambasiva Naidu, sentenced the accused for seven years RI and also levied a penalty of Rs.22,000.

RESTORING DIGNITY...NO QUESTION OF GENDER



Case study 4 Bangladesh –India network Traffickers from Bangladesh & India convicted

- Accused lady trafficker Fatima n/o Jessore District of Bangladesh who was illegal migrant, forged document and got PAN card issued. She also opened a bank account in Telugu name at Hyderabad.
- □ She along with 2 others from Bangladesh, 2 from West Bengal and 2 from Hyderabad were running brothel procuring girls from Bangladesh and other part of India.

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Date of report 3/1/2013 at Hyderabad City, Osmania University Police station

Chain of traffickers from Bangladesh to Hyderabad is identified and observed that traffickers taking advantage of Bangladesh border stretching over 4000 km, of which 111 km is still unfenced. Understanding cross-border trafficking is complicated by the issue of illegal migration

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Police arrested Fatima and her Hyderabad partners M. Venugopal Reddy and K. Krishna Reddy, rescued 4 victims including 2 from Bangladesh and filed Charge sheet against three accused.

Two traffickers from Bangladesh Abdul Hannan of Jessore & Kamal of Manirampur and two from West Bengal Ismail & Montu are yet to be arrested

□Victims sent to rehabilitation home of NGO Prajwala for rehabilitation.

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□A1,A2 and A3 got **convicted for 3 years** under Section 14-A (b) of Foreigners Act, 3,4,5 ITPA and 342, 471 IPC sections on 23/10/2013 .

Issues evolved

Speedy trial conducted in 10 months since date of report resulted in refreshing memory of victims and witnesses.

Case could have been charged under 366 B, 372,373, 376IPC as Bangladesh victims were minor. Additional charge sheet to be filed against other accused.

Case study 5

10 years conviction for inducing a girl for trafficking to Singapore

- Trafficking from A.P. to Gaylang, Red light area
- □ Victim was trapped in the name of Nursing admission. 2007 matter of Eluru P.S. of West Godavari District of A.P.. Accused was earlier brothel keeper at Singapore.
- On 5/2/2010, 2 traffickers got convicted for 10 years R.I. under section 5 of Immoral Traffic Prevention act 1986, 7 years of R.I. under 366A IPC and 6 months under 417 IPC

□ Training of Investigating officer Inspector Govindraju, victim and witness protection and trial monitoring by AHTU Eluru has ensured conviction

Case study 6 Nepal network-Trial through Video conference case ended in conviction

2009 case of Nagpada P.S. of Mumbai, Maharashtra.Victim rescued from a brothel in Kamathipura and repatriated by Rescue Foundation NGO

- **2012** trial commenced in 54th Court Mumbai
- Through Skype video conferencing was done at Spl Court set up in Rescue Foundation NGO office. Victim's video conferencing was facilitated by Maiteyi Nepal.

□Accused was present with his defense advocate. Case ended in conviction for 3 years u/s 3,4,5 of ITPA.

Case Study 7 South India to Dubai network of trafficking busted

Trafficking of young women from Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala & Tamilnadu states to Dubai in the guise of domestic help and sold to brothels

■Year 2010 – 3 rescued victims of flesh trade in Dubai repatriated to their native place Mandapeta of East Godavari District. Crime number 23/2010 u/s 366 (A), 372, 373, 376 IPC r/w 34 IPC and 3,4,5,7 of ITPA, Sec. 24 of Immigration Act, 1983

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7 accused from A.P., Karnataka and Tamilnadu state arrested

Joint Secretary, MEA at Hyderabad addressed a letter to Indian Consulate at Dubai about 6 wanted accused.

Ching pin of racket trafficker Abdul Hamid Umarabba of Mangalore Karnataka deported back from Dubai (RCN, extradition are time consuming) and arrested on arrival at Mumbai. Case is charge sheeted.

Case Study 8

- Forced labour- rescue of 370 child labours from Orissa under operation smile 3
- In January 2017 Operation Smile 3 by Rachakonda Police commissionerate with other stake holders
- 370 children from Orissa working in hazardous condition in Brick Kilns rescued and Brick owners arrested in Chottupal PS & Bommalaramaram PS limits.
- Cases registered under sections 370 (5) IPC, 374 IPC, Sec.
 79 of JJ Amendment Act 2015, Sec. 14 of Child Labour
 Act 1986
- Oriya language schools are started for rescued children, mid day meal scheme launched, Rs 1 per KG Rice scheme to parents in partnership with NGO and District Administration. Cases under investigation

Schools for kids of brick kiln workers

CITY BUREAU

Several hundreds of miles away from their homes, nearly 400 children from Odisha whose parents work in brick kilns here, can now get enrolled at schools where they will be tutored in Oriva language. The Rachakonda police, along with the local district administration, are opening two schools for the children. Close to 370 children were rescued by the police along with the district administration last month.

"All the children had come along with their parents to work in brick kilns. We have counseled the parents and asked them to enroll their children at the school where they will be taught in Oriya language," said Mahesh M Bhagwat,



NOBLE ACT: Rachakonda Commissioner Mahesh M Bhagwat along with children who were rescued from brick kilns.

Commissioner of Rachakonda. One school was opened on Saturday at Chikatimamidi village in Bommalaramaram mandal of Bhuvangir district. Around 170 children are enrolled at the school. One more school will be opened at Chotuppal or another 200 children were rescued from brick kilns.

The district administration is providing accommodation, food and other articles like slates, chalks and books. Two teachers familiar with Oriya language are now teaching them. "We wanted the children to study in Oriya so that they continue their education when they go back to their native places after six months or so. Again when they are here, they will continue their education," Bhagwat told Telangana Today.

Another eight teachers will join the schools in the next few days. "I had personally contacted a local NGO in Odisha and they arranged the teachers. The teachers will be paid salaries by the district administration," he said.

The owners of brick kilns, too have come forward to support the education of the children. They are contributing whatever possible in the form of books and clothes to the children.





Tanzanian prostitution racket busted 4th October 2017

 HYDERABAD: A Tanzanian prostitution racket operating from the city's outskirts was busted by detectives of the

The Special Operations Team (SOT) of Rachakonda commissionerate

- Both the women uploaded their photos on the website <u>locanto.com</u> and gave their mobile numbers inviting people to contact them if interested in prostitution,"
- Cops registered a case against the trio under section 370
 (a) (trafficking) of the IPC, sections 3, 4 & 5 of Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act and section 14 of the Foreigners Act. The trio was handed over to Kushaiguda police for further probe.

It's a war we all have to fight and win: Kailash Satyarthi

Rally against sexual abuse of children held as part of 'Bharat Yatra' campaign

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT HYDERABAD

On a day when a dozen men were nabbed for sexual trafficking in the city, Nobel laureate Kailash Satyarthi led a torchlight march against child sexual abuse as part of his Bharat Yatra campaign. Mr Satyarthi walked from Aramghar Junction to Sivarampalli Government School as hundreds of children drawn from various schools and NGOs marched raising slogans against trafficking of children and sexual abuse.

"It is a war we all have to fight to win and root out the evil," said Mr. Satvarthi. Later, at a public address at ZP High School attended by students from different schools, Mr. Satyarthi spoke about breaking the silence against child sexual abuse and trafficking. "We have a society that looks down on the exploited while the exploiter walks with his head held high. This has to change. Our schools, neighbourhoods, society and surroundings should become safe for children. We have to now pledge that enough is enough and this is the end of sexual exploitation," said Mr. Satvarthi who administered an oath to students to fight the scourge.



Together for a cause: Rachakonda Commissioner of Police Mahesh M. Bhagwat, Nobel laureate Kailash Satyarthi, General Secretary of Prajwala Sunitha Krishnan and others taking part in the 'Bharat Yatra' campaign in the city on Wednesday. •NAGARA GOPAL

We have a society that looks down on the exploited while the exploiter walks with his head held high.

KAILASH SATYARTHI, Nobel laureate

As children held up lighted candles in the air with their left hand, and a few other held up torches in the air, they swore to stop exploitation: "I will fight to make my India safe, Telangana safe, Hyderabad safe."

Led by Mr. Satyarthi, the Satyarthi Movement and the Kailash Satyarthi Children's Foundation, the Bharat Yatra is aimed at raising awareness to mobilise action to fight trafficking of children and sexual abuse. The Telangana leg of the yatra includes Alampur-Gadwal, Mahabubnagar, Rangareddy and Hyderabad where Mr. Satyarthi walked and spoke about the issue. Some of the children shared their hopes and expectations from the movement being led by Mr. Satyarthi. Traffic flow was affected for some time as volunteers and children formed a human circle at the Aramghar Junction raising slogans 'Bachpan ko bachao. Desh ko bachao'.

A number of organisations pitched in to raise their voice against sex trafficking and abuse including Prajwala, Chatri, and Divya Disha, among others.



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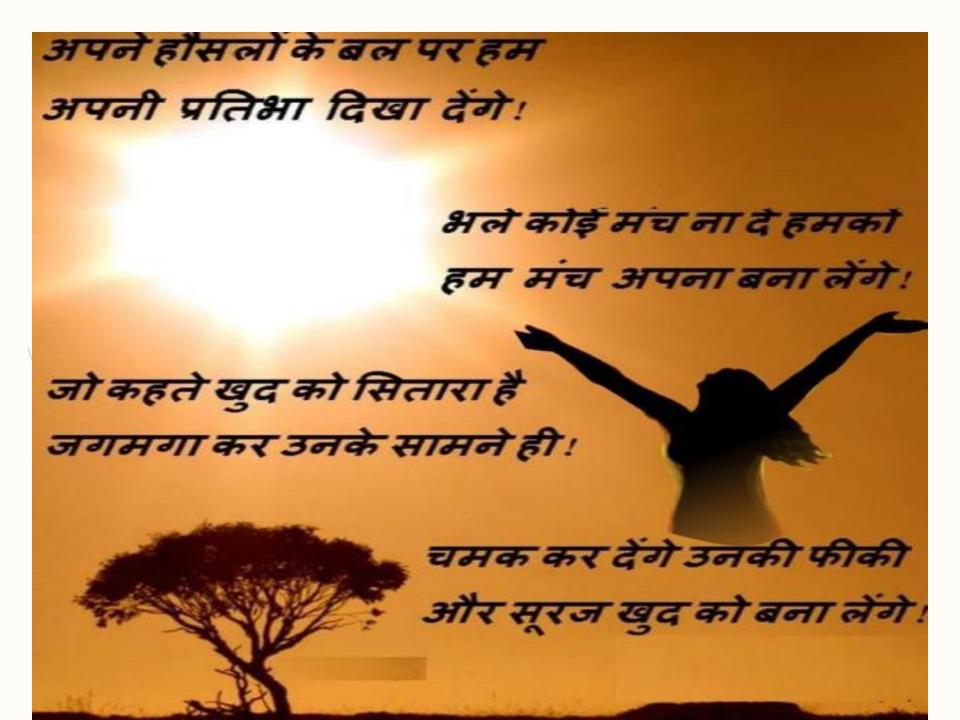


Challenges

- Forced labour in Indian Carpet industry, Brick kilns, unorganized sectors
- On line sex rackets Locanto classifieds advertise-servers in foreign countries
- Sex offenders registration & repository not yet done (Kerala state)
- Priority to human trafficking subjects

Challenges contd.

- Training & capacity building of all stake holders and bringing all stake holders on common platform
- Fast track court trial, in camera trial, video conferencing statements of victims even 164 CrPc like Bharosa centre, Hyderabad
- AHTUs functioning
- Political will



- 'Be the change you want to see in the world' Mahatma Gandhi. You can create that change !!!!!!! -Attack on route cause. " Umrabhar Galib yahi galti karta raha, Dhul chehrepe thi aina saaf karta raha."