

Human Trafficking

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What is Human Trafficking ???



WHAT

- recruits
- transports
- harbours
- transfers
- receives



HOW

- threats
- force
- any other form of coercion
- abduction
- practicing fraud
- deception
- abuse of power
- inducement



WHOM

- Sex trafficking or prostitution
- Domestic servitude
- Forced labour
- Organ trade
- Camel Jockeying
- Circus
- Child Pornography
- Contract marriage
- Adoption
- Or any other form of trafficking

UN Protocol against prevent, suppress, punish trafficking women & children

Article 23

Trafficking in all forms is prohibited

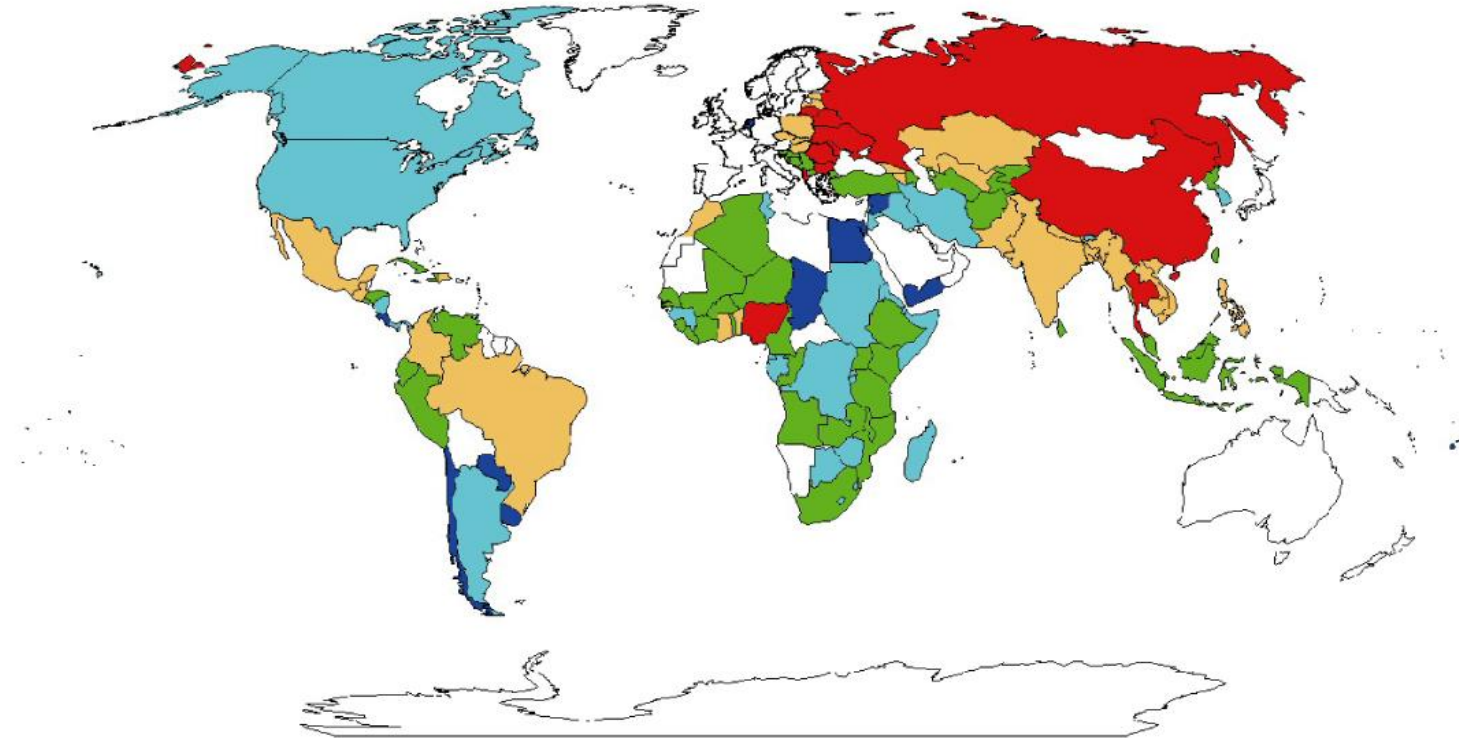
- Immoral traffic prevention act 1986
- Juvenile justice care & protection amendment act 2015
- Child labour act 1986
- Goa Children's act 2004
- Bonded labour act 1979
- THE ANDHRA PRADESH DEVADASIS (PROHIBITION OF DEDICATED) ACT, 1988. "Devadasi" means any woman so dedicated by whatever name called Basavi, Jogini, Parvathi, Mathamma and ' Tbyamma;
- POCSO act 2012
- Criminal amendment act 2013
- IPC Section 370 on Human trafficking

Why trafficking?

- Laws of demand and supply are main motivators
- Migration
- Vulnerability due to poverty, natural calamity
- **Human smuggling & human trafficking** in Middle East countries, Canada, USA
- Normalization of exploitation
- Stockholm syndrome

Global Perspective – 2nd largest organized crime after Drugs trade..

Trafficking Victims: Countries of Origin



Reported Trafficking Origins
according to the Citation Index

■ very high

■ high

■ medium

■ low

■ very low

■ not reported

The cost of human trafficking

Every year, human traffickers make
profit from the trade

\$150bn

Women and girls

 **71%**

Men and boys

29% 

21 million
victims
worldwide

54% sexual
exploitation

38% forced
labour

8% other purposes,
including organ
trafficking



Source: UN Office on Drugs and Crime, International Labour Organization
Icons: Kid A - The Noun Project



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How to stop trafficking?

- Diligent Rescue operations with **5R's**
 - Rescue, Rehabilitation, Restoration, Repatriation and Reintegration
- **3P's** Strategy
 - Prevention, Protection and Prosecution



Source

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on

Stake holder synergy for multi-disciplinary approach

- Law enforcement
- Prosecutors
- Judiciary
- Women & Child welfare dept.
- Civil Society



TOGETHER WE CAN COMBAT TRAFFICKING!!

Newer forms of trafficking

- Shift from traditional brothel based prostitution to online
- Use of social media like Facebook, twitter, Instagram, What's app for trafficking and online soliciting
- Commercial classified website like *Locanto* having servers in other countries used by traffickers specially Escort services operations
- Use of *dark net*
- Intercountry Trafficking & smuggling for cyber crimes- Myanmar Case study
- Intercountry trafficking for organ removal- Turkey, Srilanka
- Human smuggling to Nicaragua flight with 303 passengers detained in France on suspicion of trafficking

Trafficking for committing Cyber Crime

- In September 2022, 300 IT employees from Telangana, Tamilnadu and other Indian states were recruited for SEZ Mayawady region of Thailand.
- They were smuggled to call centers in Myanmar and forced to indulge in committing online financial frauds.
- Third degree torture methods like water jail, use of electrical shocks were used to force them for committing crimes.
- Victims paid ransom to traffickers for rescue.
- Inter country rescue operation by MEA with help of Thailand / Myanmar Government.

https://m.timesofindia.com/india/lured-to-thailand-300-indians-now-forced-into-cybercrime-in-myanmar/amp_articleshow/94311924.cms

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This story is from September 20, 2022

INDIA

Lured to Thailand, 300 Indians now forced into cybercrime in Myanmar

Bosco Dominique | TNN | Updated: Sep 20, 2022, 23:54 IST

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CHENNAI: More than 300 Indians, including at least 60 from [Tamil Nadu](#), have been held hostage by a gang at Myawaddy in [Myanmar](#) where they are forced to do cybercrime activities, multiple sources told TOI. People from some other countries were also being held by the racket.

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BRUTAL TREATMENT

- The Indians were initially promised IT jobs in Thailand, but later taken to Myanmar and held hostage
- Being forced to do illegal work for 15+ hours/day; beaten up & given electric shocks if they refuse
- Indian embassy working with Myanmar government to rescue the captives

Red light Areas in India without license/ permission

Closure of brothels & eviction of offenders

Sec.18. (1) of Immoral Traffic Prevention act - Closure of brothel and eviction of offenders from the premises. Whenever there is conviction under Sec 3 and & 7 ITPA

(2) Judicial Magistrate on conviction under Sec.3 & 7 ITPA can close the brothels and eviction of offender on own or on representation from prosecutor

(3) No appeal in any Civil & Criminal Court Sec. 18 (3) ITPA, 1986

➤ Rachakonda Police commissionerate 190 Apartments, guest houses, lodges

Brothel closures



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 Mehendi of Hyderabad demolished in 1990s. *“Jab tak Mard Jinda hai tab tak hamara dhanda chalta rahega”*

Can we reduce the demand?-Customer or Clientele is punishable U/s 5(1) (d) & sec. 7(1) of ITPA (Cherian vs. Kerala , 1973 Cri. 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

○ Supply of trafficked individuals can be reduced by providing vulnerable populations with better economic opportunity and rule of law.

○ **Sweden Model-** Educate all stake holders, legal amendment, heavy punishment for clientele / customers.

○ Laws like TVPA of USA

Pilot Anti Sex trafficking Project of Ministry of Home Affairs & UNODC S16 (2006-2009)

- 5 states in India
- Training and capacity building of Law enforcement officers.
- Synergy amongst stake holders
- Victim centric approach (attitudinal change)
- Diligent rescue operations (STD)
- Organized crime approach from source to destination
- Trial monitoring for convictions

PROJECT AASARA

PARTNERS

- Government

- 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

RESTORING DIGNITY...NO QUESTION OF GENDER



EDUCATION TO CHILDREN OF TRAFFICKING VICTIMS

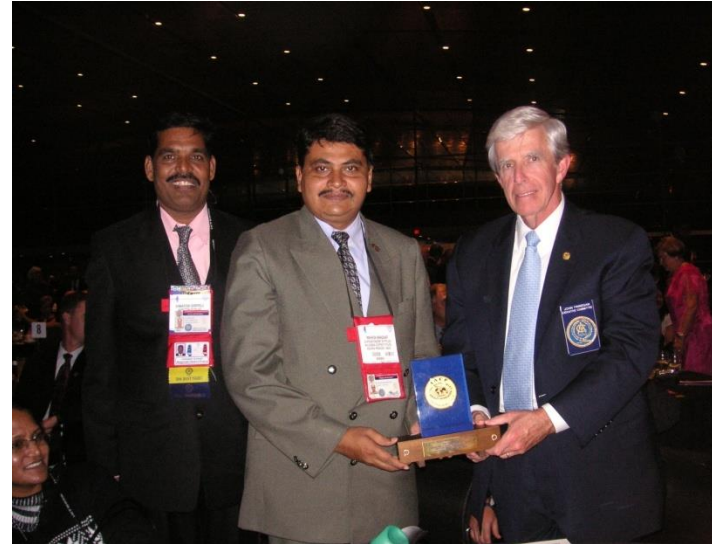
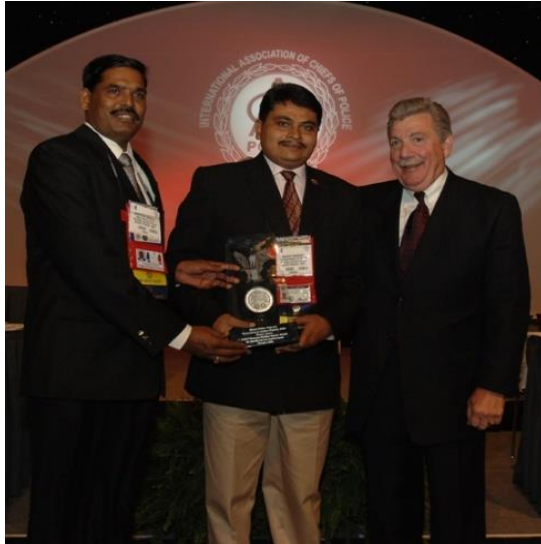


- Prevention of 2nd generation prostitution providing free education to children
- A residential bridge school started up to 5th standard with the help of Indian red cross. 64 children were facilitated and admitted into regular schools.

Achievements

- Image of police improved
- Protection of human rights- 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 controlled because of control of antisocial behavior..

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



- WINNER OF 2006 IACP/ MOTOROLA WEBBER SEAVEY LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARD ALONG WITH BEAVERTONE POLICE, OREGON STATE, USA & ROYAL CANADA MOUNTED POLICE
- WINNER OF 2006 CIVIL RIGHTS AWARD IN LAW ENFORCEMENT OF IACP WITH 6 OTHER AGENCIES FROM WORLD
- RECEIVED IN 113TH IACP CONFERENCE AT BOSTON, USA, FROM 14-18TH OCTOBER, 2006

CONSTRAINTS

- Difficulties in reintegration of sex workers and their children into mainstream
- Alternative source of livelihood to victims not matching to their lifestyle
- Attitudinal changes in police force is a need of time.
- Lack of coordination amongst Government agencies

Yadagirigutta Operation 2018

- 30th July 2018 She Teams, Child line staff, Yadgirigutta Police raid on Yadgirigutta Brothels
- Rescued 34 Minor Girls & 3 Major Girls, arrested 42 organizers (32 Female, 10 male). 23 cases of Yadgirigutta PS, 1 case of Abdullapurmet.
- FIR U/S 366 A, 370(1) (5), 376 r/w 114, 372, 373 IPC, Section 17 of POCSO act, Section 3,4,5,6,7,9 ITPA
- In 22 cases DNA conducted.
- 20 Brothel houses sealed for 3 years under 18 (1) ITPA by orders of RDO
- Rescued victims rehabilitation in Prajwala Home at Amangal & Shishu Vihar, Nalgonda
- One victim's identity traced through Adhar card. Repatriated through Court to her parents in Eluru District, A.P.
- High Court PIL. Stay on trial from high court on 22 cases under POCSO and trafficking sections

Case study 1

University Professor convicted for forcing minor into Sex trade

- On 2/8/2005 Tirupati police in Chittur district of AP state, India busted a well-networked trafficking network with the arrest of a woman Professor
- Police swooped down on the two couples in the pent-house & rescued two minor victims.

Tirupati case study contd.

- Police also seized incriminating evidence like cell phones, liquor bottles, porn literature and condoms
- **Conviction:**-The Assistant Sessions Judge, Tirupati, sentenced the accused for seven years imprisonment and also levied a penalty of Rs.22,000 (\$350)

Case study 2

10 years conviction for inducing Indian girl for sex trafficking to Singapore

- Trafficking from A.P. state, India to Gaylang, Red light area of Singapore
- On the promise of Nursing school admission victim was lured. Accused was earlier brothel keeper at Singapore.
- 2 traffickers got convicted for 10 years imprisonment under Section 5 of ITPA.
- Training of I.O. , victim & witness protection and trial monitoring has ensured conviction

Case study 3

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 to Nepal by Rescue Foundation NGO
- Victims presence in trial was issue
- Through Skype video conferencing trial was done at Special Court.
- Case ended in conviction for 3 years.

Case Study 4

South India to Dubai network of human smuggling turning into human trafficking

- 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. Case registered.
- 7 accused from India were arrested.

Contd.

- Impounding Passport:-Joint Secretary, external affairs ministry at Hyderabad addressed a letter to Indian Consulate at Dubai about wanted accused.
- King pin of racket trafficker native of Karnataka, India deported back from Dubai (RCN, extradition are time consuming) and arrested on arrival at Mumbai.

Case Study 5

'Operation Bhivandi'



Highlights

- Complaint by physically challenged girl
- 29 VOCSETS including 5 minors from Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, West Bengal, U.P., Maharashtra, Delhi & Nepal were rescued
- 9 traffickers were arrested, 5 in Anantpur Dist. Cases (Patnam P.S. case & Kadiri town P.S. case)
- Protest by 7 year old girl

Case Study 6

On line sex racket run by traffickers of Tanzania busted in Hyderabad, India

- Perpetrators uploaded photos on the website locanto.com (web site server in foreign country)and were soliciting online. (New US Law against on line sex advertisement)
- 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.

Online sex racket busted, T'wood artiste rescued

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Hyderabad: Special Operation Team (SOT) sleuths of Rachakonda on Wednesday busted an online sex racket and arrested the organiser. Police have also rescued the victim, a Tollywood junior artiste. The accused has been identified as Reddy Naresh Naidu alias Mahesh, 25, a resident of Yousufguda.



According to the police, Mahesh had uploaded the victim's images in Locanto and other websites to attract customers. After police conducted a decoy operation, Mahesh was arrested. Another accused managed to escape.

"The victim used to work in daily soaps, but

was not getting roles for the past one year. After she started facing financial problems, she got into flesh trade," said inspector Navveen Kumar.

Police said that the accused were charging Rs 20,000 from each customer for the service. Through Locanto, the customers would contact the accused and then, they would ask them to come to their apartment in Uppal.

The accused would also get customers from other states, police said. According to the police, cops posed as customers to contact the accused and went to the apartment at Uppal in a decoy operation.

"Only after police found enough evidence and became sure of the flesh trade, the accused was nabbed," the inspector added.

Following the arrest, police have booked the accused under Section 370 of the IPC and sections 3, 4 and 5 of The Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act. The victim was sent to a rehabilitation home and a manhunt has been launched to arrest the second accused.

Case Study 7

Delhi operation

- In 2007 operation to rescue victims from GB Road brothels in New Delhi
- Operation successful but patient died
- Interstate rescue operations problems of coordination with other stakeholders. Rescue home/ Medical treatment for HIV affected issues

Case Study 8

Operation Wani, Yeotmal & Chandrapur

- 2007 Victim from Khammam was sent to Hyderabad for domestic work
- Sold to brothel in Wani, Yeotmal of Maharashtra to Pune red light area
- Rescued by Rescue foundation Mumbai
- On her information raids at Wani , Yeotmal where rescued 37 victims of A.P., Telangana, Orissa state

Worksite school model

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- **BEST PRACTICE:-** Worksite school model of commissioner of police Rachakonda Mahesh Bhagwat for migrant Odisha state children rescued from Brick kilns at Hyderabad. IAS, IPS partnered with civil societies, brick kiln owners association, Education, Labour dept. has ensured continuous education of children in their mother tongue Oriya & extended Government schemes like Midday meal scheme for them. 2018 IACP, USA award of leadership in civil & human rights individual category received by CP Rachakonda for this

FORCED LABOR ..

- Operation Smile
 - 370 children from Orissa working in hazardous condition in Brick Kilns rescued and traffickers arrested
- As a part of rehabilitation:
 - Oriya language schools started for rescued children in PPP(Public Private Partnership) mode.
 - Mid day meal scheme launched by District Collectors. Rs 1 (\$0.015) per KG Rice scheme to parents in partnership with NGO.

Schools for kids of brick kiln workers

CITY BUREAU

Hyderabad

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 Oriya 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 Bommalararam 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.

August 7, 2018

Mahesh Muralidhar Bhagwat
Commissioner of Police Rachakonda
Rachakonda Police Commissionerate,
Telangana State Police
Telangana, India

Dear Commissioner Bhagwat,

Congratulations, you have been selected as the 2018 IACP Leadership in Human and Civil Rights Individual Award Winner! You are part of an elite group of leaders in the field of Human and Civil Rights.

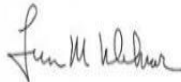
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June 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rep. W. Tillman".

Secretary of State



Challenges

- On line sex rackets –servers in foreign countries is new trend in sex trafficking
- Sex offenders registration & repository not yet done in many countries
- Priority to human trafficking subjects

- Training & capacity building of law enforcement officers indeed.
- Bringing all stake holders on common platform for synergy.
- Fast track court trial, in camera trial, video conferencing statements of victims

- *'Be the change you want to see in the world'* Mahatma Gandhi
- You can create that change !!!!!!!

Thanks

- Any ????