Regional Workshops Strengthening Asia's anti-slavery efforts while engaging survivors

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Our experience working with modern-day slavery cases

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What sector your organisations are working in? What forms of Modern Day Slavery is prevalent in your regions?

trafficking, in-kind support

Country - #Orgs	Org. Working Sector	Forms of slavery prevalent
India - (2)	Prevention of Sex trafficking, child trafficking, Prosecution, Helpline, establishing volunteer network, Forced Religion Conversion, Forced Marriage, in Sex Trafficking too. Thanks	All forms - For labour, sexual exploitation, organ, forced marriage, dance and music (sex),
Nepal - (2)	All types of trafficking - policy advocacy, capacity building of CSOs and stakeholders, network building, Info and resource center to disseminate info (41 members incl 6 survivors), child rights, SAARC mechanism	Labour trafficking, sex trafficking, gender rights, entertainment sector (dance bars, massage parlour),
Bangladesh-(2) BRAC,	Female migrant worker rights, advocacy, VAW, early marriage, legal justice, socioeconomic reintegration support, sex	Labour, VAW, elderly women exploitation, sex trafficking, medically traumatized vulnerable women,

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What is the rate of Prosecutions and convictions in your regions? Reasons

1. India:

- a. Acquittal rate per TIP report was 83% meaning only 17% of accused were convicted (world average 39%)
- b. In 2 of states (Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal) we are working, only 2% were convicted from 2008-2018
- c. No knowledge of family, community and even NGO who can push for correct sections being mentioned in the FIR
- d. No proper documentation to prove during the FIR that the child is a minor
- e. Correct process of investigation is not adopted
- f. As there is no good rehabilitation and counselling the survivors fail to persue the legal case
- 2. Bangladesh Since 2004 labour and migrant trafficking implementation is a challenge, don't have protection. CSOs are involved. Govt. has very less activities. Awareness raising less. PPP

What are the gaps for implementing the laws and policies for modern-day slavery in your country?



What are the major issue in handling modern-day slavery?

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Sharing best practices of their organisations

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