



‘Human Trafficking in Nepal: What Have Changed, and What Not?’

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AATWIN's Introduction

- AATWIN is a national network of organizations working from human rights perspective against the human trafficking in Nepal.
- It was established in June 1997 A.D.
- At present there are 40 member organizations from all over the country.

Human Trafficking

- Complex and multi-dimensional issue: old to new era
- A tragic reality despite increasing global attention and significant national responses: 30 million individuals enslaved
- Fastest growing global industry: 32 billion-dollar-a-year industry - the second-largest criminal industry in the world
- Human rights violation issue

Situation In Nepal

- 12,000 children under aged 18s trafficked to India annually for commercial sexual exploitation, ILO-IPEC, 2001
- 1,27,000 children are in worse form of labour
- 29,000 persons, NHRC/OSRT, NTIP Report 2012-13
- In about 12,000 dance bars, restaurant, massage parlor, and dohari sanjh 50,000 workers are working and among the 80% are women and girls.
- 227 cases reported to DWCS, Nepal Police in 2016-17
- Tier 2, US TIP Report, 2017
- 13th Position, The Global Slavery Index Reports, 2016

Types/destination

- Internal Trafficking
- Neighbor countries (India, China)
- Overseas specially Middle east, Africa etc

What Have Changed

- Human Trafficking and Transportation Control Act, 2007 and Regulation, 2008
- National Minimum Standard, 2012 for the services to be provided to the victims/survivors of trafficking
- National Plan of Action against trafficking of people, especially women and children, 2012.
- National Committee to control human trafficking (NCCHT) and Human Trafficking and Transportation Control Section/MoWCSW
- Nepal Police (CIB, Women & Children Service Directorate)

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- Govt. supported Rehabilitation Home (I I) and GBV Shelters home
- Office of Special Rapporteur on Trafficking in Women and Children (OSRT)/NHRC
- Survivors are coming in public
- Protection services are increased
- Media role increased

Need to Change

- Amendment and improvement of the existing laws, Policies & mechanism as per the new federal state system & international standard
- Local, district, province & federal level mechanism and polices for protect and support victim/ survivors
- Effective implementation of laws/policies
- Ratification of Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the UNCTOC/Palermo Protocol
- Conceptual Clarity (trafficking, smuggling, prostitution, migration/Foreign employment etc)
- National Anti-Trafficking policy
- Repatriation Directive/Reintegration and Repatriation of trafficking victim/survivors

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- Perception towards victim/survivors
- Victim/survivors protection
- Data management system
- Management of open boarder with neighbor country
- Political protection to the traffickers
- Internal trafficking vs cross boarder trafficking
- Engagement of private sector & media
- Effective coordination and cooperation between the Govt. agencies and I/NGO and Network building & strengthen
- Need to address in integrated way



Thank you for your attention !