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Foreword

DSS has been resolute for the past 11 years in its persistent work at rejuvenating dalit women and galvanising them to raise voices for rights and entitlements. A decade in the service of dalit women is a poignant moment for any organization and last year, DSS celebrated its decade's journey in 'Enabling Empowerment' along with the entire dalit women of the operational area, concerned government authorities and likeminded organizations. The report of decade's work and results, entitled '*Enabling Empowerment - A Decade's Journey*', though brief, was a cherished document for one and all. DSS team felt ecstatic at the immense work done and the results accomplished. It was an occasion for us to resolve to keep going through the arduous journey with vivacity and a renewed exuberance until the goal is attained. With the inspiration of Decade's Journey DSS continued its efforts last year with the same vigour and commitment.



There has been organised violence directed against dalits since long, but last year's violence and dalits response to it was distinct in many ways: Firstly, there was a noticeable swing in the world and in India towards right-wing forces resulting in electoral victories of right-wing forces, culminating in global manifestations of Brexit and Donald Trump's clean victory. In India, too, it was a clean sweep for such forces. Secondly, as a sequel to the rise of these right-wing forces throughout the world and in India, there is brazen talk against welfarism. Further, these forces have let loose no holds barred attacks on marginalized sections. In India, these reactionary forces increased their ideological and corporal attacks on the dalits to mark their contempt at the democratic aspirations of the dalits for equality, dignity and self-respect. Due to various factors like the socio-economic changes, dalit struggles of the last few decades there is an upward mobility among the dalit sections and the frequency and intensity of recent violence is an offshoot of desperate attempts by the dominant caste groups to protect their entrenched status against the process of development of dalits, in the context of the rise of right-wing forces to power. Last two/three years have witnessed demands of reservations by new sections of population which is actually a demand to scrap the reservations for dalits. Many dominant caste parties/leaders, etc have raked up the issue of reservations and stated in suggestive ways that it's time to scrap the reservations.

New forms of untouchability, discrimination have emerged in all sectors including central universities and the suicide of Rohith Vemula, University of Hyderabad is the vulgar manifestation of this ghettoing of dalit students in institutions of higher learning. It is the pressure of these new forms of untouchability that drove Rohit to end his life. All rightist/casteist forces, including top ranking officials were directly involved in thrusting Rohit to commit suicide. In the same vein, the right-wing forces surreptitiously organized and abetted various groups of vigilante goons under the banner of 'cow protection committees' etc names to attack dalits/minorities. However, given the maturity of dalit movement, there was a stiff and qualitative response from the dalits which made these rightist forces to cut a sorry figure and feel apologetic for their actions. The dalit response was so widespread

that all institutions of higher learning from JNU to UoH throughout the country voiced the demands in such a powerful way that the anti dalit forces became jittery.

Likewise, the attacks on dalits at Una by cow protectionists was responded to by march of millions of dalits.

DSS was very active in organizing the dalit solidarity movement for justice for Rohit Vemula and took up this issue on various platforms.

Apart from carrying on regular activities towards facilitating dalit women empowerment, last year DSS conducted special trainings on human rights mechanisms to equip the dalit women with international and national human rights treaties and legislation.

DSS, for the past few years has embarked upon the programme of turning dalit women as entrepreneurs and last year also we organized intensive trainings on SCSP/TSP Act and Workshop on Entrepreneur Promotion.

On the whole DSS was able to carry on its mission with fervor and was able to fulfill the designed objectives and activities in full swing.

DSS and its team met people of its working area face to face through 'padayatra', on the eve of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar 125th Birth Anniversary. The occasion was utilized to spread Ambekar ideology and his ideas for woman liberation by conducting meetings at all gatherings.

Last year was significant in many ways and was a sad year also for the demise of our beloved dalit leader and intellectual Sri. BojjaTharakam. He was the voice of dalits in the State and the country and was part of all the activities of DSS.

I take this opportunity to thank our team, the women collective leaders, the activists, other mass organizations, leaders, government and police officials, the media for the cooperation extended by them in strengthening the dalit women movement for rights and entitlements. I assure all that DSS would strive to march ahead towards its goal in the coming days with the same fervor and commitment.

Jhansi Geddarn

National Convenor

Dalit Sthree Sakthi

Team and Activists Speak

Team and Dalit Women Collectives are responsible for overseeing and supporting the work of DSS at the village, mandal, district, state, regional and national levels. At the State and National level, DSS works to strengthen protection systems and support the implementation of effective measures to overcome obstacles to the realization of human rights. This includes efforts to establish or reinforce justice and accountability mechanisms at the State level, including by undertaking effective monitoring and investigation, to help secure redress for victims of human rights violations. The ultimate aim of this work is to empower rights-holders to claim their rights and sensitize the duty-bearers to fulfil their obligations to deliver positive human rights outcomes.

Generally, dalit women hail from the background of extreme poverty and oppression. Due to this background and illiteracy, the dalit women lack the courage to raise their voice. The women are confined to homes and socialized to remain behind the doors, without interaction with the society. Any interaction with outsiders, particularly, males is viewed as violation of customs and family honour. Having been brought up in such a closed atmosphere, the dalit women feel alienated and dominated at the very atmosphere of the Government institutions, courts, police stations and banks. Everything appears to be strange at these offices. Added to this, English being the medium of language at almost all offices, the dalit women's alienation and fear psychosis is total. It is a herculean task to bring out the dalit women from these psychological barriers. Only when these women are enlightened about the fact that all these institutions and personnel are meant to serve the people and the women are exposed and emboldened to shed the fear psychology, they can approach these institutions to claim their rights. DSS, through its trainings, orientation, practical exposure was able to turn these hitherto shy women into bold and articulate rights activists, over years. Now these dalit women are not only able to approach the officers but also argue and question them. Women Collective members and village leaders have been continuously trained on important themes like patriarchy, dalit women situation, international human rights laws and national laws, particularly, important Acts pertaining to dalit women rights. Much of this literature is brought out by DSS in simple Telugu and the activists are now well versed in the basic laws affecting them. They can cite legal provisions to counter the officials or others and can even show them. Over the years, the tables stand turned and the officials or others can't treat the dalit women as gullible any more.



GDV Prakash, National Program Manager

I feel it's my privilege for my long-standing association with DSS and its work. What else can be more satisfying than thinking and working for the emancipation of dalit women who are like my mothers? DSS story is proof of the adage that if your goal is righteous you will definitely reach your goal. After the establishment of DSS, we are able to face all hurdles and go ahead with fortitude. It's not an easy task to motivate, train and mend the marginalized women to come out of the shell of petty domestic life and work for their empowerment. But with great patience and resilience, DSS was able to shine the dalit women into pearls from out of mud, and turn ordinary

women into leaders of the locality and region. It's necessary for men to understand the women in

right perspective and enrich them with gender awareness and prepare them to struggle for all round rights and entitlements and lead them towards economic, political and social empowerment.

At DSS, we believe that it is necessary to tackle the issue of women empowerment at its root and towards this objective it is essential to see that the dalit girl children are properly educated and trained from an impressionable age. As such we have been imparting trainings, awareness camps to children and youth, to protect them from poisonous influences of cinema, TV and porno.

At a personal level, I must say that it's not very easy for a man to work among women, but I am able to fulfil the tasks in DSS to the satisfaction of the dalit women and I am grateful to DSS for the opportunity provided to me. I acknowledge that the past 11 years of my work with the dalit women has been very satisfying and now we are marching ahead towards fulfilling the task of transforming dalit women into economic entrepreneurs.



Samantha Flami

I have been allied with DSS from its inception 11 years ago and a keen observer and participant in its activities. It's axiomatic that one can be happy and peaceful if the society around him/her is happy and peaceful. DSS has been striving towards ending caste/gender/class oppression in the society and for the equality, dignity of dalit women. I am enthralled to see that DSS has been engrossed in its endeavours without budging on anything, be it fame, self-aggrandizement or political positions.

Dalit women empowerment in all respects has been the only objective that permeates all activities of DSS. Any people's movement will be powerful only if its leaders are unflinchingly committed towards the objectives and it goes without saying that DSS is one such organization. One amazing attribute of DSS is to muster the support of men and non-dalits towards the cause of dalit women by sensitizing them and motivating them instead of antagonizing them. This is the road map of DSS for a society of equality and dignity of all.

Capacitating ordinary dalit women to take up issues with police and other government officials or stand up in support of the victims of rights violation is no mean achievement. Enduring and determined efforts of DSS for over a decade lie behind the success of this transformation. Dalit women may not be great in terms of status and recognition, but their work is not inferior to any other's. It's highly nourishing for me to be part of this great caravan of dalit women marching towards their liberation.

B. Bhagya Lakshmi, State Coordinator, Telangana State

I hail from Basheerabad village of Rangareddy district, Telangana State and was like any normal woman not much exposed to the outer world. Though I had sympathetic feelings towards women who were subjected to domestic violence by their drunken husbands, my understanding about women's rights was very little. Similarly, my acquaintance with dalit women reality was rather hazy, though I had some awareness of child rights. I learnt from activists in my area about DSS and its work and I joined DSS in 2010 as a divisional organizer and scaled up to the position of State Coordinator and that was a turning point in my life. For the past 7 years I was continuously exposed to dalit women reality in the villages in practice and through systematic trainings. Training the staff and dalit women is a vital and superb technique implemented by DSS. The continuous trainings on



gender, concepts, human rights and various other subjects imbibed in me great insights into society, economy, administration and also the ways of organizing the marginalized for their rights and entitlements. With the trainings I had gone through over the years I am so equipped in the subjects that now I am imparting such trainings to other dalit women in my working area. When I look back, I realize that I am not the same woman as before. Before joining DSS I never had the boldness to approach police or other government officials, but it's a routine thing for me now to discuss with them on incidents of violence. It was a stimulating experience to organize the dalit women to struggle for their rights and entitlements.

Konki Rajamani, State Coordinator, Andhra Pradesh

My association with DSS goes back to 7 years. In these 7 years I gained abundant knowledge and organizing skills. Now I am able to motivate hundreds of dalit women to struggle for their rights and I am able to train them and create awareness among them. In this society, where caste, religion and class are ruling, it is a challenge to work as a dalit woman. It gives me immense satisfaction that I am able to accomplish many things for the dalit women in my area which many organizations, like caste-based organizations and political leaders were unable to do. I am recognized as a leader in DSS. I am proud that DSS is working towards achieving equality that Dr. B.R. Ambedkar dreamt of. It is not a trivial matter to fight against atrocities, and question them as a dalit woman. If our women collectives are able to do that, there is enormous effort and struggle of DSS behind it. Our women collectives together strive to keep up the dalit women movement. Dealing with atrocities, cheating in the name of love, DV cases, conducting fact findings, dealing with authorities, helping to get justice for victims, gaining knowledge on various Acts and legal provisions, fighting for rights give work satisfaction. It is hard for a woman to gain recognition in the society, but DSS has accomplished this herculean task of getting dalit women recognized as leaders.



K. Vijaya Kumari, Guntur District Coordinator

I joined in DSS in December 2015 as Guntur district coordinator. I did not have courage to talk to authorities before joining DSS. Now I interact with district level authorities on a regular basis and developed cordial relations with the concerned authorities and heads of anganwadi centers, schools, social welfare hostels, etc.

With the systematic trainings by DSS I am thoroughly equipped in various laws, special enactments and human rights. The trainings imparted necessary skills at fact finding, monitoring cases and now I am able to deal with atrocity cases, interact with victims, accused, witnesses and authorities. I have developed qualities of a leader after joining in DSS. I wish to further improve knowledge on various issues of dalit women and serve for our community.



P. Kalpana, SWC, Hyderabad, Telangana

My first encounter with DSS was 4 years ago, when I saw the group conducting awareness camp in my slum, while I was returning back home after the day's work. Their inspirational songs, speeches about the dalit women situation was so touching that I just stayed there till the completion of the programme and met the team of DSS.

I was always immersed in my personal and family problems and earnings. After listening to the speeches of the DSS leaders I felt my personal problems are nothing compared to the inequities/injustice/oppression that is extensive and the ways to eradicate the same. Since then I was connected to DSS as part of the cultural team to sing and dance the dalit songs. So far I participated in many programmes of DSS. I am now a capacitated leader and have been speaking to other women of the slum, participate in the trainings. I am able to grasp and analyse the events in the society. I feel emotionally one with the victims of major atrocities like the one that happened at Lakshimpet, Srikakulam district and work in solidarity with them for justice. I developed this fervour to struggle for casteless society due to the ideological trainings and stimulating work of DSS.



T. Radha, SWC, Gundal Village, Chevella Mandal, Ranga Reddy District

I joined DSS 3 years back as an ordinary member of Village Women Collective. In course of time I am able to work as a member of State Women Collective. I always wanted to work for the society, but did not have a chance while I was with my parents. After getting married, I came to know about DSS and attended some meetings. Till then, I was not aware of so many issues in the society. The continuous trainings on ideology made me learn a lot about the situation of women. Now I am able to interpret and grasp things in a gender perspective. After being associated with DSS, I acquired knowledge on SC, ST (PoA) Act, SCSP/TSP Act, many schemes, how government institutions and police function, how to deal with various people. I am indebted to DSS for giving me courage to be articulative. I am now monitoring the anganwadi centers, schools and hostels of our area. They are informing and inviting me for their meetings. I feel contented with this recognition. I gained the self-confidence to stand out of the crowd and help others towards solving issues, and I owe this to DSS.



B. Anitha, DWC, Aloor Village, Chevella Mandal, Ranga Reddy District

I am with DSS since 7 years. I was first chosen as Village Women Collective member and later as District Women Collective. I am imparting the knowledge I gained from the trainings on various dalit and women related Acts in the villages and mandals in our district. Being a member in the fact finding team, I learnt a lot while dealing cases of atrocities in our district. I faced reluctance from the district level government officials in the beginning when I submitted representations on atrocities or for schemes. However, I surpassed all the barriers with the support of our women collectives and now I am recognized as a district level leader by the women and authorities. This is all due to DSS. I am now encouraging other women also to be leaders and spreading the work of DSS in our area. I am thankful to DSS for giving me this opportunity to grow as a leader.



M. Lakshmi, DWC, Eathrajpalayam Village, Navabpet Mandal, Vikarabad District

I came to know about DSS 5 years back, when some leaders came to our village to address an atrocity case. Since then, I started attending all the meetings and training held by DSS. I am now District Women Collective member. When I look back now, I see I am not what I was five years ago, when I was scared even to step out of the house. The activities of DSS, particularly, its trainings on gender and dalit women reality, inspired me to change. I gained so much confidence that I have taken an acre land for lease

and cultivating on my own. DSS taught me how to live. I am now cultivating crops in 6 acres of land and give employment to some, built a house. I have grown individually and as a leader in the society. I am actively working with DSS in motivating my fellow women to transform and grow as leaders. We all regularly monitor the anganwadi centers, schools and social welfare hostels, identify the issues and strive towards solving them from time to time. In my words: 'DSS did not give me fish, but taught me how to catch fish'.

K Anjamma, MWC, Manmarry Village, Shahbad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District

It was 7 years back that I came in contact with DSS. I was inspired to associate with DSS activities. At that time I have seen women stepping back from taking responsibilities, discouraging us, but I continued working with DSS. The first work I did for my village with the help of DSS was getting the NREGA cards and work for our villagers. That was the first ever time I got a chance to directly interact with the government authorities. It was like stepping into an unknown arena. But now its routine as I have been continuously taking the issues identified to the authorities and submit representations. If the issues are not solved at our level, we always have the district and state level women collective leaders. Now, dalit women and others come to me to help them solve their issues. We try solving them at the mandal level, or inform the coordinator and take her help. I am recognized as a leader in our mandal after I started working on issues with DSS.



M. Deevena, DWC, Shahbad Village & Mandal, Ranga Reddy District

I worked in dalit movement before my marriage but could not continue later. I came in touch with DSS and am associated with it for the past 3 years. I attended many trainings conducted by DSS, which were very useful in imparting systematic knowledge on dalit and women related Acts, entitlements, leadership qualities, etc. I not only learnt but spread all this knowledge in the meetings and trainings we hold at district level. Now I feel that I can train others. With the confidence given by DSS, believe that I am capable of bringing changes and be a leader. I participate in all the programs at district level. The government authorities and other organizations also recognize me as a leader and invite me to many meetings as I am a part of DSS. We have learnt the methodology of conducting fact findings from the trainings and whenever any dalit girl child or a dalit woman faces any kind of violence or discrimination, we immediately go to the scene conduct fact finding and collect all available evidence. We monitor and support the victims till judgment. I was afraid of approaching police in the beginning, but now the hesitation is no more. Now, it's a simple thing for me to approach police or revenue officials and talk to them and even argue with them on the rights and correct procedures. I thank DSS for imparting these capabilities and articulation.



P. Amulyamma, SWC, Pedaravuru Village, Tenali Mandal, Guntur District

I am Pattapu Amulyamma W/o Moses Rao. We have a daughter and a son. Both are married. Before knowing about DSS, we used to work as daily wage laborers, come home and live our anonymous lives. We didn't know anything, was hesitant and inarticulate. We did not know which office or authority to approach to get ration card and other basic amenities. Ignorance was a natural element of our lives. After DSS



has come into our lives, we have developed knowledge on the concerned departments and authorities to be approached for various issues. All of us work together in our village to address issues. I have come to know that Dr. B.R. Ambedkar is the person who has brought in so many legal provisions for our welfare. I contested as Ward member in 2014 and now I can speak on the issues without any shy or hesitation even in the presence of senior political leaders. I am now working as State Women Collective member of DSS.



J. Shiva Kumari, Tarakarama Nagar, Guntur.

I am married and have two children. My husband is a driver and I am a tailor. Before I knew about DSS, my work was to take care of the domestic chores and children. I did not even bother about my neighbors. After joining in DSS, I learnt many things. With DSS, I now respond to the problems faced by others also approach the concerned authorities and talk to them. We all stand together, discuss on the issue, ways to solve it and work on it till it is resolved. Now we are solving petty issues like leakage of drainages, street lights, water, etc., without anyone else's assistance. The great achievement is that we are talking on par with the dominant castes in our colony. Every DSS meeting introduces us to a new angle of life. With the influence of DSS, we are leading an independent life, keeping our premises clean, sending our children to schools, responding to atrocities, developing awareness on the issues around us.



M. Prameela, DWC, East Godavari District

From the time I am associated with DSS, I am able to discuss issues with any authority or person with courage. I regularly monitor anganwadi centers, schools and social welfare hostels, list out the issues, represent them and work towards solving them. I gained knowledge by participating in many programs of DSS. I am looking forward to learn more and work for the community.



M. Manga Devi, DWC, East Godavari District

I gained knowledge and courage after joining in DSS. I developed leadership qualities and I was invited by the school to be a committee member. I initiated and worked for the construction of roads and drainages in our village. Seeing my work, many organizations asked me to be their committee member. I developed contacts across the mandal. I supervise and ensure quality of food in anganwadi centers and mid-day meals in schools.



Kusume Susheela, SWC, East Godavari District

I started moving around and interacting with people only after joining in DSS. We are regularly monitoring educational institutions and ensuring that proper facilities are provided in them. Initially, I was afraid of talking to police, but now I interact even with DSP while dealing with atrocities. Similarly, we are interacting with the mandal authorities and bank managers regarding entitlements. We together fight against atrocities without being afraid. My hearty congratulations DSS for leading us towards the dalit women movement, that fights for the rights of dalit women, raises its voice against violence and works

towards eliminating discrimination. We succeeded in getting gas connections in our village by submitting representations. We could ensure that dalit students are not discriminated in the schools of our village by regularly monitoring them. We helped strengthening the panchayat leaders by giving them trainings. We also conduct youth camps to educate and create awareness among the adolescent boy and girl children. 6 years ago, barbers used to refuse to shave for dalits. With the intervention of DSS, after conducting regular awareness meetings, this discrimination was reduced. This is one victory we are proud of. Women take all the responsibility of the family and work hard throughout their lives, yet are looked down by the society. DSS has created awareness among the women to live with dignity.

Madiki Mariyamma, SWC, Gudala Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari District

I am sarpanch of Gudala Village Panchayat. I am member of DSS since 4 years. Though I was elected as sarpanch, I was afraid of carrying on my duties. I participated in trainings provided by DSS to sarpanches and ward members. I gained knowledge and confidence to carry on my duties without being afraid of anyone. My Jai Bheem to DSS that provides knowledge to everyone.



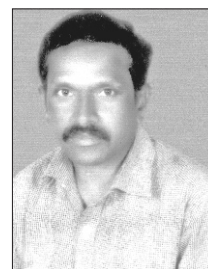
Kote Prakash Kumar, Senior Activist

I feel very proud and gratified to be associated with DSS in the states of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. I have been instrumental in many programs such as conferences, trainings, workshops, public actions organized by DSS. I feel very happy that simultaneously I have been capacitated and nurtured to enhance my abilities and increase my performance levels through the trainings I underwent from DSS. Organizing the dalit women in distress and addressing their issues as a collective has impressed me more and in the process we could shape many leaders who are now discharging their responsibilities at respective level by addressing their issues. Being one of the voices among them while addressing the incidents of violence and accessing justice to the victims makes me more proud to be associated. I once again thank one and all for giving me this opportunity to work with all.



Kompalli Rambabu, Senior Volunteer

Before I joined DSS I used to be active in social work but I never knew about the issues of dalits in depth and the special Acts we have. I came to know about DSS in 2011 and after joining learnt many things through trainings which have nurtured me as a knowledgeable leader. Now I am able to handle the issues on my own and organize the community on their issues. I worked as the Coordinator of Vikarabad division for one year and dealt with many issues including incidents of violence. Though I left DSS I am constantly in touch with the organization and have been continuously rendering services to the community. DSS has equipped me with gender concepts and I follow gender equality at home and see through gender lens at the issues. Slowly I have become a district leader with good recognition. With the cooperation of DSS I am in the process of promoting dalits as entrepreneurs and was instrumental in getting sanctioned 35 types of vehicles across the district.



Highlights

All activities of DSS are rooted in the concept of enhancing equality and countering discrimination in all its facets. All trainings, sensitization campaigns aim to facilitate the rights-holders to claim their rights and sensitize the duty-bearers to comply with their obligations. Apart from regular trainings to the team and activists, awareness meetings and campaigns are conducted in villages to sensitize and enlighten the dalit women in particular and the public in general. During 2016 DSS carried on all regular activities and a few special campaigns some of which are:

SC, ST (PoA) Act in Telugu:

During the year under reporting, the parliament brought about amendments to the SC, ST (PoA) Act to make it more effective. This was the outcome of sustained campaign and persistent pressure built up at the all India level by the coalition of all dalit activists and organizations, for more than a year to



amend the said Act to plug the loopholes. To put it straight, it is the victory of dalit struggles led by dalit organizations all over the country, of which DSS played its humble part in the State of A.P. & Telangana. When the amendment of the Act and Rules was officially published in the Gazette of India, DSS immediately within days got the new law translated into Telugu and published in book form.

Whenever an amendment to the original Act is made with innumerable changes, it is always necessary for the legislature to incorporate the intended changes in the original Act and pass it as a new Act, repealing the old Act, so that the citizens can have the new law as amended. But in the case of SC, ST (PoA) Act this was not done. The gazette publication was in English and carried only the amended Act as passed in the parliament which contained detailed sections for incorporating/inserting/ substituting various words/ phrases/new provisions /chapters in various sections /places of the original Act and Rules. Hence, to know what the Act says as on today after amendment, one has to keep the original Act and Amendment Act and understand what is the present position. This was so confusing to everyone. DSS was the first organization in both the Telugu States to resolve this problem and bring out the Act after incorporating and inserting whatever was

amended, while using different font to identify what was original and what is new. This was done for the English version first and then it was translated into Telugu and both versions were published at whirlwind speed after the amendments were passed. These publications came as a big relief to one and all, to know the law as it stands today. These booklets were widely circulated among the activists, people and officials. This was one important achievement that DSS can brag about.

Padayatra:

DSS conducted a major campaign in the form of 'Pada Yatra' on the eve of 125th Birth Anniversary of Dr B R Ambedkar in an innovative way to approach the people directly, instead of 'Radha Yatra', of earlier years. 'Pada Yatra' (going on foot) was chosen to be the new way to approach the people. This campaign was carried on the theme of "Ambedkar - Women". The campaign was launched on 1st April at Ranga Reddy district and was concluded on 14th April 2016 at Hyderabad with a public meeting. The launching meeting was held in Manmarry village of Shabad mandal in Ranga Reddy District. Sri PSN Murthy IDAS (VR) has flagged the Padayatra by waving DSS flag.



Dalit Children: Are they Separate and Unequal?

In the social hierarchy, segregation, neglect and oppression of dalits even the innocent children are not spared. Dalit children are treated as if they are not children like others. The reaction and response is different if a dalit child is raped, injured or killed. A general attitude of prejudice overweighs the responses of officials, institutions and even media. DSS continually campaigned for the rights of dalit children in all facets and has been working for the protection of their rights. Two incidents of protecting the rights of dalit children are specially narrated below in which DSS successfully achieved victories as against the callous attitude of the personnel and institutions towards dalit children.

Darla Durga:

Some victories stand out to be symbolic and turn a new page in the history. In the 11 years working of DSS almost all the perpetrators of atrocities on dalit women were arrested and some were convicted, but the final conviction of the accused in Darla Durga case stands out to be unique. The final judgment in this case stands out to be a moral/legal victory for dalit women and girl children. The



IN THE COURT OF THE SPECIAL SESSIONS JUDGE-CUM-
X-ADDL. DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, KRISHNA AT
MACHILIPATNAM

Present: SMT. G.SWARNA LATHA,
X-ADDL. DISTRICT & SPL. SESSIONS JUDGE,
KRISHNA AT MACHILIPATNAM

Wednesday, this the 5th day of October, 2016

SPL. SESSIONS CASE NO.31/2014

- 1.Name of the Complainant : State represented by the
Sub Inspector of Police,
Banturumilli PS.
- 2.Name of the accused :

Kunapareddy Naga Venkata Veera Raju @ Naga Raju,
s/o Nancharath, age 40 yrs, C/Kapu, Munjuluru,
Banturumilli Mandal.
- 3.Charges : u/sec.3 (ii) (v) of SC & ST (POA) Act,
1989
- 4.Plea of Accused : Pleaded not guilty
- 5.Finding of Court : Found guilty

6.SENTENCE OR ORDER:

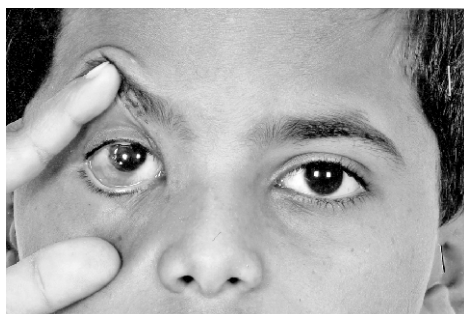
IN THE RESULT, Accused is found guilty for the offence under Sec.3 (ii) (v) of SC & ST (POA) Act, 1989 liable for conviction for the same u/sec.235(2) Cr.P.C.

The accused is sentenced to undergo life imprisonment and also fine of Rs.5000/- (Rupees five thousand only) in default SI for six months for the offence under Sec.3 (ii) (v) of SC & ST (POA) Act, 1989 and also shall be liable to pay the compensation of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand only) u/sec.357 Cr.P.C. payable to the prosecutrix (victim). The remand period 35 days undergone by the accused shall be set off under Sec.428 Cr.P.C. The M.O.1-Langee, M.O.2-Shirt and M.O.3-Towel of accused shall be destroyed after appeal time is over.

7.Name of the Police Station & Cr.No. : Cr.No.45/2007 of Banturumilli
Police Station in P.R.C. No.6/2007.

victim here, Darla Durga, a child of 8 years was raped in the year 2007 by the accused, landlord belonging to the dominant caste. DSS intervened immediately and got the case registered. The accused was arrested, but in a short period he could get bail and come out of the jail. He used all tactics to pressurize the victims, witnesses and utilized all legal loop holes to procrastinate and protract the trial for 9 years. Usually such prolonged adjournments and delayed trial will help the accused to get acquitted by managing the police, prosecution, witnesses and influence the judge. In the instant case also, the victim and her family members were beaten and boycotted from the village. DSS rendered all necessary support, and ensured that the family was back in the village. They withstood all the adversities. DSS took all precautions from the beginning and the DSS team being advocates attended the court adjournments also to monitor the case. The police, public prosecutor and everyone was monitored to discharge their duties. Finally the judgment was delivered on 5th October 2016 by the Special Court at Machilipatnam, Krishna district sentencing the accused to imprisonment for

life under the SC, ST (PoA) Act.



Naveen

Another instance is the case of Naveen, a 11 years boy who was studying in SC Boys Social Welfare Hostel, Siripuram village, Marpally mandal, Ranga Reddy district. He lost his mother in his childhood and his father is a daily wage labourer. He was kept in the hostel and like all social welfare hostels, even this one is maintained in despicable conditions. The electricity supply wire for the hostel was in loose contact and the supply goes off quite

often. Whenever there is power cut due to loose contact, the children use a bamboo stick to adjust it. Though the issue was informed to the hostel authorities several times, no action was taken. On 25th November, 2015 around 6 pm, there was power cut in the hostel as usual due to loose connection. The boys took the bamboo stick and tried to correct the connection as they do every time. This time when the boys were trying to adjust the wire with the bamboo stick, unfortunately, it fell on the Naveen's right eye seriously injuring the eye. This is such a serious accident happening to a child that any humane normal reaction should have been to rush the child to hospital and take all care to protect the

boy. But the hostel authorities didn't react the way they should have. The concerned officials also didn't bother to provide the urgent medical aid. Due to this callous attitude of all duty bearers, the boy lost his eye. Added to this reckless behaviour, the authorities forcefully sent him away from the hostel, to cover up their culpability. Naveen is a bright student and he was depressed. DSS intervened into the case, and repeatedly submitted representations to the district and state authorities. Due to continuous pressurizing by DSS, Naveen was operated in LV Prasad's Eye Institute and got an artificial eye arranged on 24th October 2016.



Decades Festival:

Another highlight last year was the celebration of completion of 10 years of dalit women movement by DSS. A decade is a long time, ten remarkable years of journey by dalit women towards empowerment is an occasion to recapitulate the warmth support received from everyone and review the arduous journey of successes/pit falls for planning the future. It is an event to look back where we started and where are we now. What is the status and stature of the organization after a decade and to know whether the organization met the expectations of all concerned?

DSS team, accordingly had a marathon review of the decade's journey and brought out a publication entitled, "Enabling Empowerment - A Decades Journey". This publication was a review and consolidated picture of the work done, results achieved. This book was released by Sri. Kaki Madhava Rao, IAS, Former Chief Secretary on the eve of the General Body meet. Everyone commended DSS for its vision, commitment and dedication. The spirit and energy of the team/women collectives was applauded. It was an occasion to celebrate the shared dreams and shared successes.



Strengthening Mechanisms to Cadre Trainings to Team members

It is necessary to equip those working directly with people living in poverty and oppression to comprehend the latter's state of affairs not only from a human rights perspective but also in historical, social perspective. It is of fundamental importance for the cadre to motivate the dalit women to take up actions with the local governments and other concerned personnel to ensure that their rights are respected and protected.

It is necessary to make the dalit women understand that their poverty and deprivation is not their inevitable 'karma'. Further, poverty is not just lack of earnings but they are prevented from enjoying many human rights, such as the rights to food and nutrition, housing, work, health, and education due to unjust and inequitable economic distribution in the system. All political parties claim to be working for the poor and over decades we have seen many slogans like 'garibi hatao' but nothing materially transformed in the lives of the poor, particularly the dalit women in the rural India. This is because, all welfare schemes announced to garner votes are only a pittance in the scheme of economic distribution and even these insignificant distribution is now being cut in the name of austerity. On the other hand, lakhs of crores of amount is siphoned out in the form of various concessions to the industrialists and their loans to the tune of lakhs of crores of rupees is being written off. It is due to this inequitable distribution of economic resources that the poor have to suffer lack of work, unsafe housing, lack of health care, unequal access to justice and are also taxed irrelevantly. The team, cadre and the activists have to be made to understand and appreciate that these inequities exist squarely due to the inequitable distribution of the national resources by the State and Central governments and local authorities. Our Government signed all important human rights conventions of the UN and its bodies, but never implemented them effectively.

The DSS team/activists have to gain knowledge of these issues first and then they have to approach and transfer these ideas to the dalit women in general, so that they may be inspired to struggle for rights and entitlements. DSS trainings are designed to equip the team/activists on all these areas of rights, international human rights, economy, caste system, gender inequities etc. To train the people to grasp these dynamics is a slow process. It can be done by only by involving them, encouraging their interaction, motivating them to express their views, hopes and mobilize and empower the dalit women to work for their greater participation in affairs that affect them, push for change, and hold governments more accountable. DSS was able to do this over a time and bring about visible changes among the women collectives, the dalit women in general through its sustained trainings.

Through its decade long continual trainings, campaigns and sensitization programmes DSS was able to make the cadre, activists, dalit women collectives to know the structure of Government, local authorities, court and government procedures, government policies, important laws and how they are implemented, the responsibility of the police and other law enforcement agencies.

DSS is quick to impart trainings on new laws and amendments. In December 2015, the SC and ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Bill passed by Parliament made several critical changes. New acts were added to the list of offences. Among them were preventing SCs/STs from using common

property resources, from entering any places of public worship, and from entering an education or health institution. In case of any violation, the new law said that the courts would presume unless proved otherwise that the accused non-SC/ST person was aware of the caste or tribal identity of the victim. DSS almost immediately translated the new law into Telugu and distributed the copies widely. Trainings were conducted on the amendments to SC, ST (PoA) Act and SCSP / TSP Act.

Further, during the 2016 intensive trainings were conducted on: International Human Rights, Police and Human Rights, UN Document, Ratification Of Treaties by India, etc. The 135pages manual of human rights covering all these aspects published by Swadhikar was translated into Telugu and distributed to serve as a ready reckoner.

Trainings at State and National Level:

Sl. No.	Focused Group	Date & Venue	Theme	Topics
1	Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), Community Led Organizations (CLOs) / Women Collectives (WCs), DSS Team	25 th May DSS State Office Vijayawada, AP	Training Needs Assessment & Topics for Human Rights Mechanisms Manual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introduction to the need for training ● Training dates and venues ● Introduction to inter national and national human rights, various related Acts ● Finalization of training module by national team ● Translation into local language of the manual ● Training to CSOs & CLOs
2	Team	9 th , 10 th June DSS National Office, Hyderabad	Capacitation to the Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SC, ST (PoA) Amendment Act, 2015 ● Penal & Pecuniary follow up ● Fact finding skills ● SCSP/TSP Act, 2013 ● Personality Development
3	Women Collective Leaders	21 st , 22 nd June Satyodayam, Tarnaka, Hyderabad	Capacitation to Women Collectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Personality Development ● SC,ST (PoA) Amendment Act, 2015 ● SC,ST (PoA) Amended Rules, 2016 ● Fact Finding Skills ● Roles and Responsibilities of Women's Collectives ● Concerned Government Departments-Hierarchy

4	DSS Team	5 th , 6 th and 7 th July Chanakyapuri, New Delhi	ToT on Training Manual on Human Rights Mechanisms organized by NDMJ.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Overview on Human Rights ● International Human Rights ● International Human Rights Protection Mechanisms ● National Human Rights Mechanisms ● Skills Development of HR Defenders to Address the Human Rights Violations ● Training Methodology
5	CSOs (both Telugu states)	8 th , 9 th August, Chiguru Training Center, Vijayawada, AP	Training on Human Rights Mechanisms to CSOs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Concepts of Human Rights ● International Human Rights ● National Human Rights ● International & National Safeguards of Children ● Government Schools – Safe-guards of Children ● International Conventions and Constitutional Safeguards of Women ● SC, ST (PoA) Act ● Domestic Violence Act ● Action Plan
6	DSS Team and WC Leaders	19 th & 20 th August Satyodayam, Hyderabad	Protecting Women's Human Rights (Conducted by SFC & DSS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dalit Women's Rights, Legal Empowerment & Leadership ● Defining Discrimination and Violence against Dalit Women & VAWG – Justifications, Myths + Stereotypes ● Barriers to Justice – Criminal Justice & Community Responses to Violence Against Women Groups (VAWG) ● Indian Penal Code – Crimes of Violence against Women ● Victim Responses to VAWG ● Steps for Dealing with VAWG ● What is a Community Paralegal: Fact Finding, Monitoring, Use of Media ● SC, ST (PoA) Act, 1989 with Amendments 2015
7	CLOs / WCs of East Godavari District	12 th & 13 th September Amalapuram, East Godavari District	Training on Human Rights Mechanisms and Protection to CLOs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● National and International Human Rights ● SC, ST (PoA) Act and Rules ● Discussion on forms of Violence ● Government Schools – Safe-guards of Children

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Women Related Acts ● Challenging and Strengthening Mechanisms
8	WCs, Youth Members	14 th September Amalapuram, East Godavari District	Awareness and Capacitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identifying root cause of dalit and dalit women issues ● Caste, class and gender discrimination ● Monitoring educational institutions ● SC, ST (PoA) Act ● SCSP/TSP Act
9	Girl Youth	3 rd October Chevella, Ranga Reddy District	Break the Customs and Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Realizing Aspirations ● Hindrances to Realizing Aspirations ● How the Change Agents Ought to be
10	Human Rights Defenders (HRDs)/ WC Leaders	14 th , 15 th October St. Anns Generalate, Secunderabad	Training to HRDs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SC, ST (PoA) Act and Rules ● Group work on case studies ● Group Presentation and Summing Up ● Fact Finding Skills ● SCSP/TSP Act ● DV Act, Preparation and Presentation of Skits ● Gender Concepts
11	CLOs / WCs of Guntur District	21 st & 22 nd October Guntur District	Training for CLOs on Human Rights Mechanisms and Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Human Rights and Judiciary ● Concept of Human Rights (International and National) ● Dalits and Human Rights ● SC, ST (PoA) Amendment Act ● Group Discussions on Forms of Violence, Monitoring Mechanisms and Ways Forward ● Government Schools – Safeguards of Children ● Women Related Acts ● Economic Rights (SCSP/TSP Act) ● Action Plan
12	Women Collective Leaders	27 th October DSS National Office, Hyderabad	Training to Dalit Women Leaders on Protecting Women's Human Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Patriarchy, Caste, Class & Gender ● Laws and Legal Mechanisms ● Group Discussions on Violence – Responses of Stakeholders ● Fact Finding Skills

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Penal and Pecuniary Follow Up ● Action Plan
13	Women Collective Leaders	14 th November Officers Club, Kakinada, East Godavari District	Training to Dalit Women Leaders on Protecting Women's Human Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Leadership Skills ● Roles and Responsibilities ● Challenges - Ways Forward

Reviews

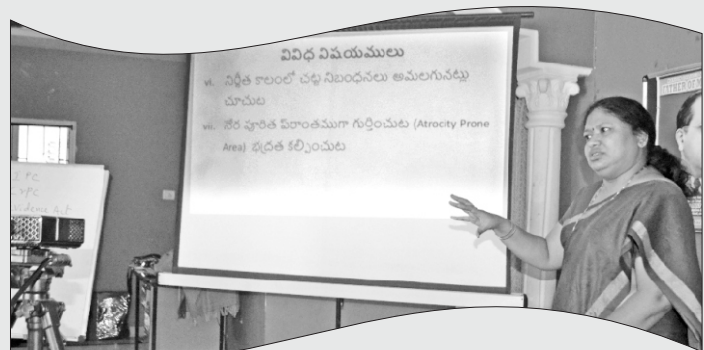
Review meetings for the team and women collectives of respective levels are held at regular intervals. The team review meetings are held bimonthly, where the work done is presented by the coordinators, which is reviewed. Also, the national team presents the work done at national level and introduces any new strategies, ideas or formats if any. Challenges faced and deviation in the planned work is also discussed and suggestions are given. Every review meeting concludes with the submission of action plan for next two months.

On the other hand, review meetings for women collectives are held at regular intervals at village, mandal, district, state and national level. The State Women Collectives' review meeting is held once in four months, where the work done by SWCs is discussed, reviewed and suggestions are given for further work. Action plan by SWCs is submitted to the National Office in coordination with their respective state coordinators.

Reviews at State and National Level:

Sl. No.	Focused Group	Date & Venue	Agenda	Action Plan
1	Team Review	11 th , 12 th 13 th January DSS National Office, Hyderabad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Work done ● Deviation in planned activities ● Strategies to overcome challenges ● Educational Institutions ● Pending entitlements ● Entrepreneurs Promotions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Translation of SC, ST (PoA) Amended Act and Rules ● Planning for 10th Annual GB ● 2 months action plan
2	Team Review	10 th February DSS National Office, Hyderabad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 10th GB planning ● HCU incident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 10th GB preparation ● Taking forward Rohit's incident at district level

3	Team Review	23 rd March DSS National Office, Hyderabad.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Work done ● New reporting formats 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2 months' action plan ● Collect documents of cases ● Entitlements ● Padayatra Planning
4	Team Review	26 th May DSS-AP State Office, Vijayawada.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Work done ● Submit documents ● Review on Padayatra ● Inputs to overcome challenges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Strengthen work on SCSP/TSP Act ● 3-day training to team ● Trainings to WCs ● Monitor educational institutions by WCs
5	SWC Review	24 th March DSS National Office, Hyderabad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review on 4 months work ● New reporting formats ● SCSP/TSP loans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Padayatras on the eve of 125th birthday of Ambedkar ● Preparation of 14th April meeting ● Preparation for entrepreneur promotion workshop
6	SWC Review	15 th August DSS National Office, Hyderabad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Roles and responsibilities of SWCs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Government entitlements ● Land issues ● Atrocities ● Monitoring educational institutions
7	SWC Review	25 th November DSS National Office, Hyderabad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introspection of SWCs work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Action plan of SWCs







Girl Children - The Forsaken Lot

Dalit girl children appear to be not in the agenda of anyone. Not only there is lack of concern about dalit girl children, but a girl child is regarded as a curse and the pathetic incidents of throwing away a female infant in dust bin are occurring with alarming frequency in both the States of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.

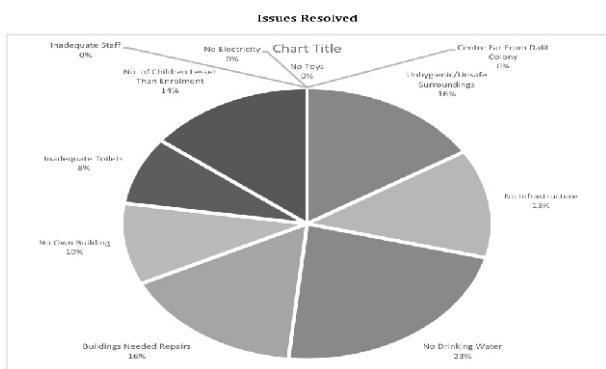
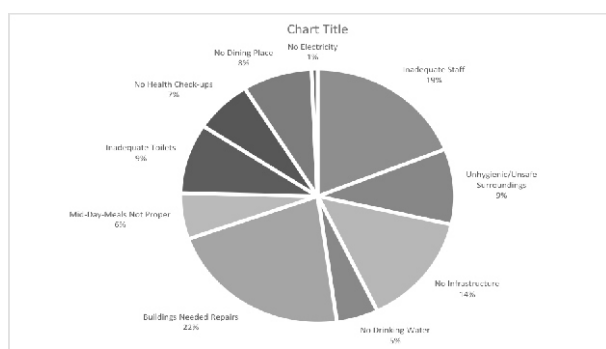
During the year under reporting minor girls including a girl of the age 7 years were raped. DSS intervened in all the cases and is monitoring. Apart from rape and other sexual assaults, number of minor girls and slightly above the age of minority were sexually exploited and cheated in the name of love. The number of cases of cheating in the name of love are increasing in both the States of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. This cheating also should be regarded as another form of rape, as the intention of the person from the beginning is only to have sex by pretending love. In most cases, due to poverty at home the girls get attracted to the males who propose love and pretend to love.

Qualitative Childhood:

DSS, while addressing all issues of violence against dalit girl children, continually campaigns for qualitative childhood. As a means to protect dalit girl children and see that they get quality education, DSS has been systematically monitoring anganwadis, social welfare hostels and schools to provide secure atmosphere and improve the quality of functioning of these institutions.

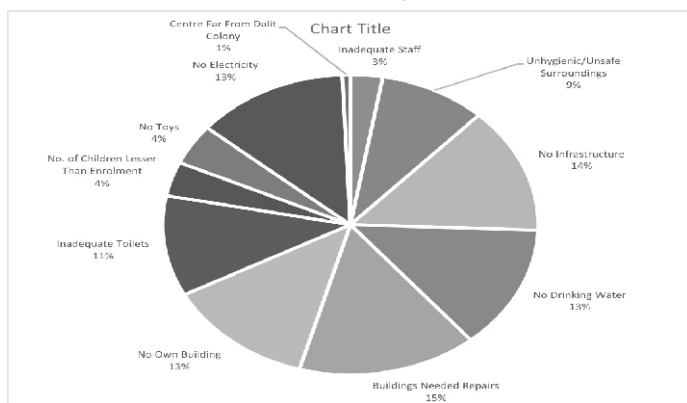
During the period under reporting DSS closely monitored 101 anganwadis, 24 social welfare hostels, 105 schools including primary, upper primary and high schools. The issues identified and the achievements in this regard during the period under reporting are presented below:

Graphs and tables of anganwadis/schools/social welfare hostels

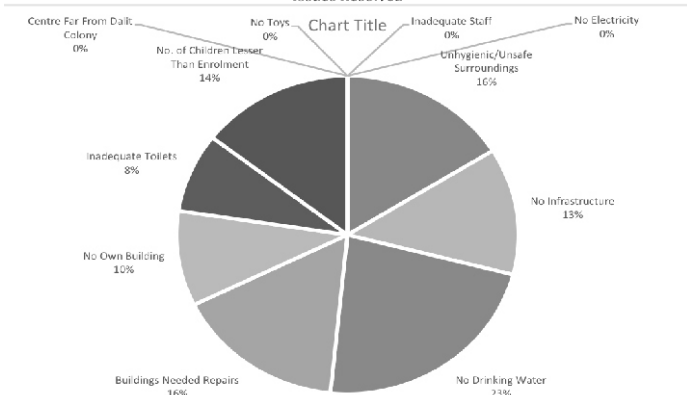


Details of issues identified in 105 Government Schools		
Type of Issue	No. of Issues Identified	No. of Issues Resolved
Inadequate Staff	81	20
Unhygienic/Unsafe Surroundings	41	21
No Infrastructure	61	34
No Drinking Water	21	8
Buildings Needed Repairs	93	13
Mid-Day-Meals Not Proper	25	10
Inadequate Toilets	38	4
No Health Check-ups	29	29
No Dining Place	35	0
No Electricity	3	0
Total	427	139

Issues Identified



Issues Resolved



Details of issues identified in 101 Anganwadi Centres		
Type of Issue	No. of Issues Identified	No. of Issues Resolved
Inadequate Staff	12	0
Unhygienic/Unsafe Surroundings	40	10
No Infrastructure	59	8
No Drinking Water	58	14
Buildings Needed Repairs	67	10
No Own Building	56	6
Inadequate Toilets	47	5
No. of Children Lesser Than Enrolment	16	9
No Toys	19	0
No Electricity	57	0
Centre Far From Dalit Colony	3	0
Total	434	62

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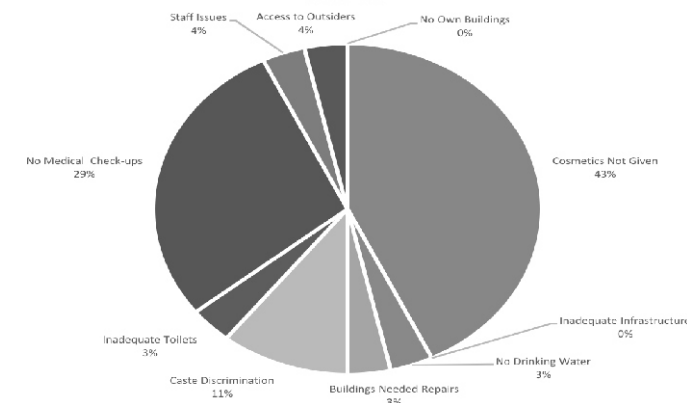
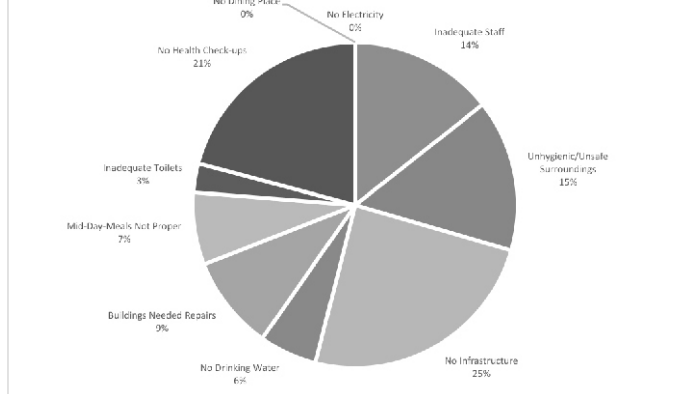
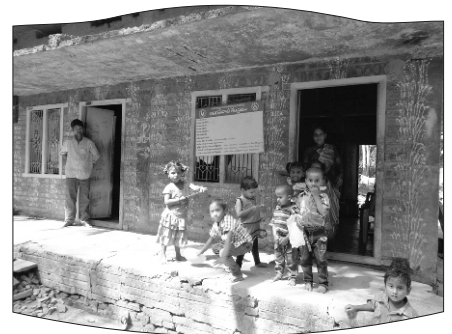
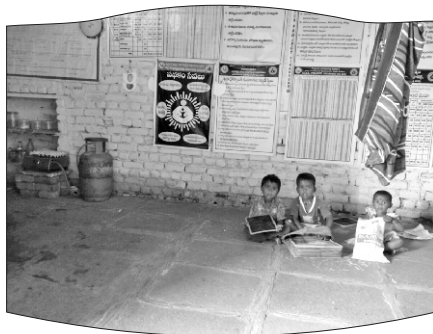


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Details of issues identified in 24 Social Welfare Hostels		
Type of Issue	No. of Issues Identified	No. of Issues Resolved
No Own Buildings	8	0
Cosmetics Not Given	23	12
Inadequate Infrastructure	7	0
No Drinking Water	4	1
Buildings Needed Repairs	5	1
Caste Discrimination	7	3
Inadequate Toilets	7	1
No Medical Check-ups	16	8
Staff Issues	3	1
Access to Outsiders	1	1
Total	74	28



Consultation with Students, Teachers, Parents and CSOs on Discriminatory Practices in Educational Institutions

Introduction

Many reports have appeared in the print media about the discrimination, practice of untouchability etc in schools. In this context DSS felt it will be fruitful to ascertain the views of students, teachers and others in the schools on the issue. Hence DSS chose to have deliberations in the districts of East Godavari and Guntur on 15th and 19th of November 2016 to document the discriminatory practices in educational institutions and to know the views of the children. The consultation addresses the perspectives of students, parents, teachers and CSOs on the present situation and what is desirable in educational institutions. This helps in formulating the draft guidelines which would be taken to larger community through the campaign.

Sri GDV Prakash, National Program Manager, DSS welcomed the participants and outlined the objectives of this consultation and solicited the participants to give their views on issues concerning discrimination, like:

- making the dalit students to sit separately or at the back in the class,
- not eating if the mid-day meals are cooked by dalits,
- humiliations heaped on dalit students
- physical abuse of dalit students and claiming that the school belongs to them, etc.
- poor infrastructure like broken chairs, benches, lack of safe drinking water, proper toilets, compound walls
- wrecked and unsafe buildings or insecure surroundings, etc

Sri Jhansi Geddam, National Convener, DSS warmly greeted the students present there. She started her conversation with them to keep them at ease. She first asked them to shake hands with her, one after the other. Then she asked some of the DSS staff to shake hands with her and later she asked the students if they observed any difference. Then she explained about the psychology behind shaking hands and how it reflects one's personality. Asking the children to be confident, she once again explained them what the consultation is about in the way they would understand.

The students and parents were divided into 8 groups and assigned one topic each and their responses are stated below:

Topics and Responses:

1. What should be the best behavior of children?

- **Children Responses:** Children to study well, be disciplined, respect elders and teachers, respect parents, non-dalit children to mingle with everyone; always be energetic and happy, not be dull and tired, should do good deeds, not get into bad habits, be courageous, not to quarrel with others, be united, be hygienic, not to comment on teachers, wake up early in the morning and study, be away from TVs and cell phones, no caste or religious discrimination in schools, have helping nature, take good food, question if anyone errs.

- **Parents Responses:** Children should respect elders, study well, use all facilities provided by their parents to prosper in life, eat well, not get into bad company.

2. *How should be the teachers?*

- **Children Responses:** Teachers should be friendly with students, explain lessons in meaningful manner, give freedom to students, encourage them, not hurt them, treat all students equally, tell the students what their mistake is, nurture them, ensure that proper facilities are provided to students, be aware of their needs, be patient, be approachable.
- **Parents Responses:** Teachers should encourage students in the subjects they are weak at, they should be learned, love students and be friendly, shouldn't use cell phone in presence of students, possess good character, should not beat students.

3. *What should be the conducive environment in schools?*

- **Children Responses:** Each subject to have 3 teachers, teaching should be understandable, all should eat MDM, teacher should treat all equally, teachers to concentrate on dull students, a school should have trees, clean surroundings, safe drinking water, quality food, should not have trash everywhere, should be plastic free, hygiene toilets, should not have stagnant water, have ventilation, mass copy should not be encouraged, help in developing English speaking, provide uniforms, good character.
- **Parents Responses:** The environment in the school should be conducive, qualitative mid-day meals, have proper facilities and infrastructure, have toilet facilities, school should train students on discipline, have compound wall, gates and a watchman, teachers with good character, should have trees and good ventilation.

4. *How should be the Parents?*

- **Children Responses:** Parents should love their children, cooperate with them for education not discriminate among children, show interest in maintaining children's cleanliness, be friendly, encourage higher studies, not to quarrel, visit school once in a month and find out about their children's progress, teach proper discipline to their children, educate on values in the society, give nutritious food, not beat them, give freedom.
- **Parents Responses:** Parents should love their children, keep them clean, be friendly, give them liberty and freedom, educate them about society, teach them to respect elders let them know their mistakes, not argue about every issue, not talk in abusive language in children's presence, not to give cell phone to children, keep children away from TV, give nutritious food, take care of their studies at home, desire their well-being, not to abuse them, not to show gender discrimination, know their needs and fulfill, protect them from all evils.

5. *How should the best society be?*

- **Children Responses:** Social Justice, individuals in society should be united without caste and class discrimination, not to practice untouchability, help others, be friendly, have all facilities, elders and educated should be respected, everyone should be literate, hygienic, minds should not be polluted, rights of dalits should be known and protected by everyone.

- **Parents Responses:** Society should provide facilities for education of children, society should be clean, provide equal opportunities to all, understand Ambedkar ideology and follow.

6. ***What efforts are required for reaching one's goal?***

- **Children Responses:** One should have a plain heart to reach goal, should love the goal, have all determination to reach the goal, have self-confidence, understand what is required to reach goal, plan and implement with discipline, be away from habits that pull away from goal, be away from negative people, have intelligence, pave life towards goal, ready to face hardship to reach goal.
- **Parents Responses:** Children should be determined, study well, not get into bad habits, only higher goal take them higher in life, therefore focus on it.

7. ***What is the desirable environment at home?***

- **Children's Responses:** A house should be clean, have minimum facilities, parents should provide all facilities to their children in house, have trees.
- **Parents Responses:** House and surroundings should be clean, have plants around house, should have toilet, have compound wall, not have mosquitoes, spacious, have good furniture, electricity, vehicle, water facility, safe drinking water, family members with good approach towards society, family members should be loving and caring.

Opinions of Guest Speakers:

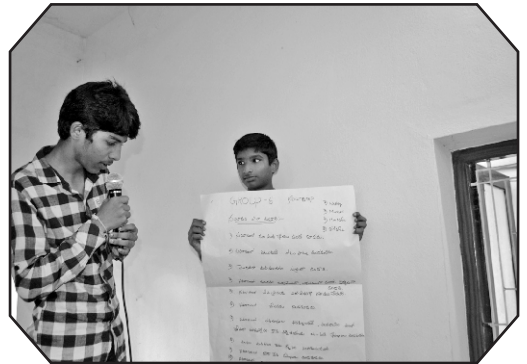
Prof. Samuel John, Sri Pilli Ramesh, (Deputy DEO of Guntur district) explained about the need for education, the government policies on education and narrated the despicable conditions in the schools. They inspired the students to be serious in learning and wished them to scale the heights of education.

Opinions of some Teachers:

Sri Suresh, Sri Bhima Rao, Sri G. Subrahmanyam principal of social welfare residential institution, Sri K. Parasuram and a few other teachers aired their views on the subject. The opinions that emerged are:

- parents are the major reason for the behavior of children.
- Parents should be vigilant of their child's movements, studies, acquaintances, etc.
- Parents should be in regular touch with teachers to know the progress of their children. There are some parents who never attend the parent-teacher meetings or show interest in their children's progress.
- Teachers should realize that SC, ST, BC students form the majority of students in government schools, and without them, the number of teacher jobs would fall. Hence, they should see that these students are not discriminated.
- The teachers of the school should eat mid-day meals to ensure the quality.
- The practice of non-dalit students not eating mid-day meals should be ended.
- The teachers should undergo refresher courses and equip themselves with advanced pedagogic methods.

Sri Jhansi Geddiam gave her concluding remarks.





Addressing Youth:

DSS has been continually campaigning among the children and youth to motivate them towards productive way of living and learning instead of being swayed away by movies, porno and other venomous influences in the society. DSS team always felt refreshed whenever it interacted with the children in schools and colleges. Almost every meeting was a grand success in the sense that the children and youth were inspired and the concerned heads of the institutions always thanked DSS for conducting such an inspiring interaction with their students. The heads of the institutions readily invited DSS to visit as often as possible to motivate their students. During 2016 DSS conducted the following interactions with the children and youth:



National Youth Day

National Youth Day was celebrated in Shabad, Ranga Reddy district on January 10th 2016 with youth and students from various schools and colleges. DSS team called upon the youth to come out of the vicious culture of all sorts and work for national building. It is the responsibility of the youth to strive for equality and development and this is possible only if they set a goal and work hard to achieve the goal. Such a concerted effort on the part of the youth will bring prosperity to the nation. But this can be done if the youth analyses

the society and free themselves from consumerist culture and western vicious culture of sex, drugs etc.

Youth Camps in Educational Institutions

Youth Camps were conducted by DSS in Schools and Colleges of East Godavari, Ranga Reddy and Guntur Districts. The principals of the concerned schools have presided over the youth camps. The teachers and the students have participated actively and there was very good interaction between the students and DSS team.

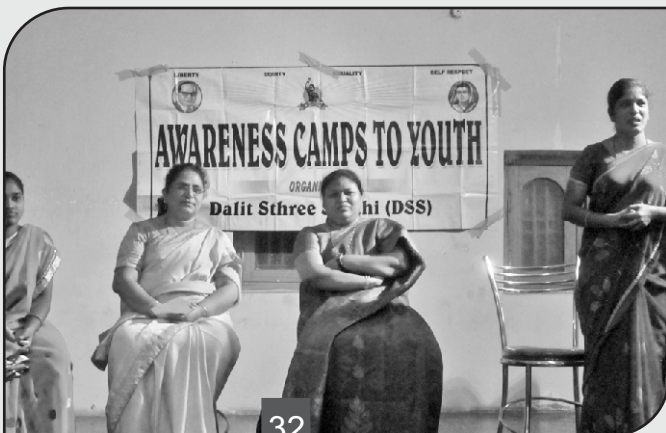
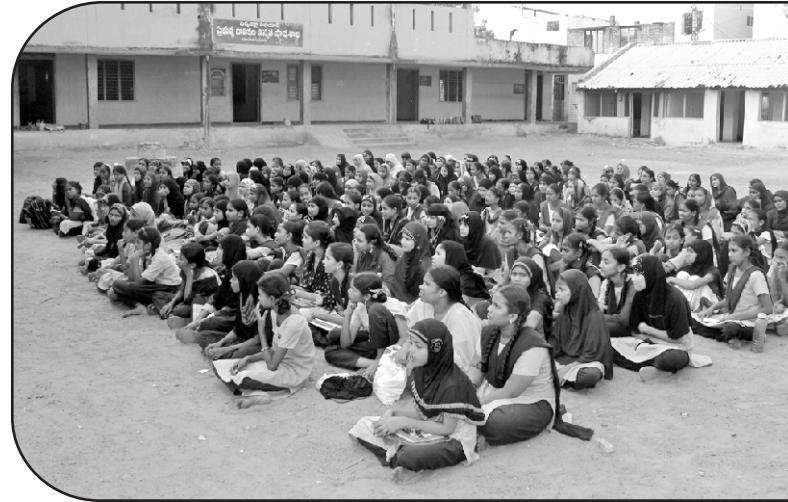
DSS team interacted with students of schools and colleges as they are the future generation that would shape the nation. The team asked the students the reason why most of them are not scoring good percentage. The reason is the absence of conducive environment in the society, family and educational institutions to the children, hence students are easily falling prey to vicious culture. Instead of taking movie heroes and heroines as role-models, the students should take leaders like Jhansi Lakshmi Bai, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, etc., as inspiration. Vicious culture from movies, internet is making students addicted to drugs, porn or get into extra-marital relation at very young ages. This is the age to be loved by parents, teachers and not the age to fall in love. As the students are educated, they have the responsibility to put it to best use to correct their friends who are traveling in wrong path, fathers who consume alcohol or mother who watches TV serials.

There is misery, troubles, problems and vicious culture in the society. The poor are more vulnerable to this culture which is spoiling their future. In order to eradicate these negativities completely and

for the society to flourish without caste, class and gender discriminations, we all need work together on the root causes, evolve proper systems for the future generations of the society. To achieve their goal, the students have to concentrate completely on studies and become IAS, IPS officers, educationalists, scientists, industrialists. To achieve this, the students were advised to prepare a time-table at home including their studies, extra-curricular activities and domestic chores so that they can make optimum use of time. The team wished them to succeed in their lives.

There was good response from the principals and the teaching staff of the educational institutions on the awareness campaigns. They expressed a feeling that the students require regular interactions like this to keep them reminding of their goals. The degree colleges requested DSS to provide trainings to their students on the dangers of vicious culture with concerned legal provisions.







Break the Chain of Impunity to End Violence

Priorities in the field: DSS approach to field work

Rights-Holders Claim Their Rights and Pressurize the Duty-Bearers to Comply with Their Obligations

Empowerment is a multi-pronged strategy and DSS activities include trainings, economic empowerment, mainstreaming girl children etc. However, all rights and empowerment stand only next to right to life, without which other rights become meaningless. Hence, in the field, DSS uses all its energies to protect and promote the right to life of dalit women and girl children. Right to life and personal liberty is guaranteed in the International Bill of Human Rights and Art.21 of the Constitution of India. Art.21 reads: “No person shall be deprived of his life or personal liberty except according to the procedure established by law”. Though, seemingly simply worded, this article was the subject matter of a very wide interpretation by the Supreme Court in a number of land mark cases. The court clarified in a number of cases under this article that the essence of 'life and liberty' is not just leading a vegetative physical life but a life with dignity, self-respect and growth as a full-fledged human being.

In this sense, the right to life and liberty of dalit women are being denied and violated on regular basis. DSS addresses the issue of protection and promotion of the right to life and personal liberty of dalit women and girl children on a priority basis in its field activities. Entire team, village activists and cadre are continuously trained to play the role of well-versed human rights defenders to resist all forms of attacks on dalit women's right to life and personal liberty.

It is unfortunate that the attacks on dalit women are continuing in various forms even now everywhere. New forms of untouchability have come up and new ways of discrimination are coming up. The upward mobility of dalits and their sustained assertion for equality and space in the social order is being perceived by the dominant castes as a threat to their authority and are assaulting the dalits to maintain status quo. But, the more the attacks by the dominant castes, the more the reassertion and response by dalits for the democratic space. This is evidenced in the incidents of Rohit Vemula and the attacks on dalits at Una (Gujarat). In the case of suicide of Rohit Vemula, the movement spread to the entire country and the protest by the dalit students at University of Hyderabad is still continuing.

In the working area of DSS, over the past decade we are able to create an atmosphere of fear of law among the dominant castes through continuous campaigns, follow up of cases, prosecution and trials to prevent the atrocities. We could see a general trend of decline of serious atrocities on dalit women in the target area. Nevertheless, due to the deep-rooted caste prejudices, still attacks are taking place which are promptly addressed to by the DSS and culprits booked for the crimes. In the working area of DSS we were able to shatter the feeling of impunity among the dominant castes generally.

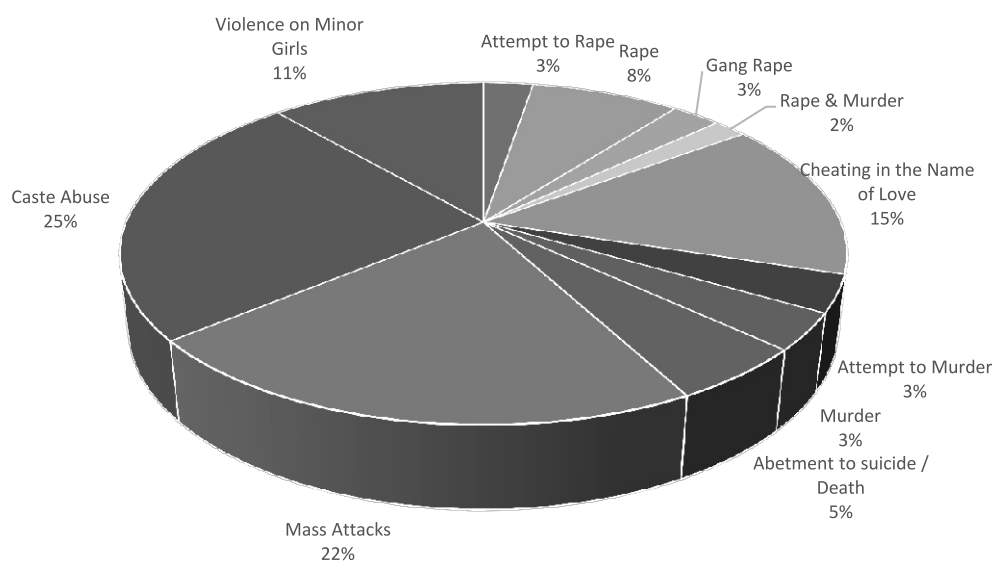
In this context DSS can claim that its policy of persistent follow up of cases has led to wonderful results and in this regard the conviction of the accused in the rape of minor girl Darla Durga after a continuous struggle of 9 years stands out as unique and as a symbolic victory. As narrated in the earlier chapter (see highlights), though the accused was rich, powerful and hails from a powerful dominant caste, still DSS could get him convicted for imprisonment for life for the rape of 8 years old

minor girl. This incident stands out as an example that consistent follow up from occurrence of incident to till judgement leads to convictions and paves way for breaking the impunity.

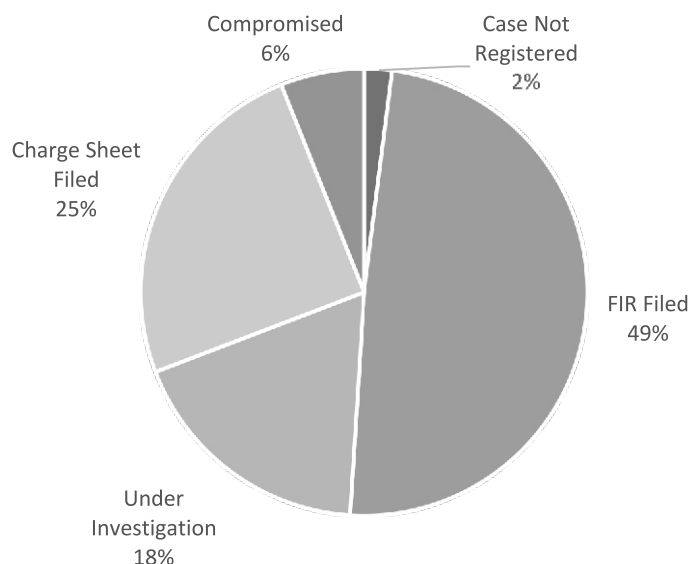
During last year, DSS addressed instances of Inter/Intra community violence on dalit women and girl children in the working area in the two States of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. It may be noticed that most of the accused involved hail from various backward communities. These backward castes are ideologically sailing and identifying with the dominant landlord castes and are exhibiting caste discrimination, untouchability on dalits. In all the cases monitored by DSS the entire data on the incident is recorded along with the statements of the witnesses and concerned authorities are pressurized to take all legal steps to bring the culprits to justice.

During the period under report the details of crimes on dalit women and girl children are as follows:

Forms of Violence in the Year 2016 Dealt by DSS



Stage - Wise



Details of a Few Cases

1. Gaddam Vasavi

Cheating in the Name of Love and Abetment to Suicide

Details of Victims

Name of the Victim/Age	:	GaddamVasavi / 30
Caste	:	SC - Madiga
Village	:	Venkateshwar Nagar, Moula Ali
Mandal	:	Kushaiguda
District	:	Hyderabad
State	:	Telangana

Details of Accused

Name of the Accused/Age	:	Gottimukkula Manoj / 36
Caste	:	BC - Kamsali
Mandal	:	West Marredpally
District	:	Ranga Reddy
State	:	Telangana

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time	:	15.02.2016; 04:00 AM
Place of Incident	:	At victim's house, Moula Ali
Type of Atrocity	:	Cheating in the name of love and abetment to suicide
Date of lodging the first complaint	:	15.02.2016
Date of FIR	:	15.02.2016
F. I. R No.	:	92/2016
Police Station	:	Kushaiguda

Sections applied in the FIR

Sections : 174 of Cr.P.C

Altered to 376 of IPC and 3(2)(v) of SC, ST (PoA) Act

Details of the Case:

Gaddam Sathyam and Vijaya Lakshmi are natives of Kothagudem, Khammam District. They have two daughters Rekha and Vasavi. Sathyam worked in Singareni Collories and sent his children for good education. Vasavi completed M.Sc. Computers. He got his elder daughter, Rekha married in 2006. After an year, Rekha's husband developed extra-marital relation with another woman and left her. By that time, she gave birth to a boy. Since then, Rekha was staying with her parents. Her mother died of this depression. After that, Sathyam retired in 2010. Staying at home, thinking of his elder daughter and financial problems, he got heart attack. Consequently, their financial status

deteriorated. Then they thought it is better to come to Hyderabad and find a job in some private company.

In 2012, they shifted to Hyderabad. Vasavi asked her sister to stay at home and take care of her father, while she went to job. She worked as HR in Banjara Hills. Later, she got job as an IT Recruiter in TACHYON Technologies in Hitech City.

While she was working as HR in Banjara Hills, a person called Manoj came in search of job. He took Vasavi's contact number. Since then, he observed Vasavi and her family. In 2015, he met her, said that he was observing her since 2012 and he was impressed by the way she took responsibility of her family and that he is in love with her. Vasavi believed in him and accepted his love.

Manoj gives importance to his family. Seeing that, she thought that, a person who takes care of his family would take good care of her too. However, gradually disputes arose between them. He quarrelled with her whenever she did not come to the place he asked to.

Manoj lives with his family in a two-storey building, beside BSNL apartment, near Manju theatre in Patny Center. His parents are Yadagiri and Vijaya Lakshmi; brothers Pramod and Vinod. Manoj works at Synchrony Finance with client GE Capital at Hitech City. He also works in movies. Their family is financially sound and well-settled. He told her that his parents are orthodox and wouldn't agree for inter-caste marriage. He said that he would not marry her without his parents' permission. They often quarrelled about marriage.

Rekha observed that her sister Vasavi is depressed for some months. Though Rekha asked her, Vasavi never told anything to her. Meanwhile, Manoj asked Vasavi for a trip to Goa. She refused. They planned to go to US, as his parents would not agree for their marriage. When they were going to passport office to get passport, she fell down from bike and her hand was fractured. He got her hand treated and dropped her at home. Her family members questioned her about him and the accident. Then she said that Manoj was her friend. After that, they dropped the idea of going to US.

As Vasavi had good-will in her office, they arranged for cab, keeping her fractured hand in view. She commuted in cab. Her salary increased to Rs.40,000/-. She bought furniture and other valuables for their home. She also planned to buy a house.

On 14th February, 2016 Vasavi stayed at home all day and was moody. It was Valentine's Day. Evening around 07:30, Vasavi and Manoj met outside and quarrelled and returned at about 10:30 in the night. She was very depressed. She brought eatables to her sister's son Cherry. She kept that packet in the hall and went to her room. Rekha, observed this, and banged her sister's door asking her to open. She asked her what the matter was but Vasavi did not reply. Vasavi said she would speak after sometime, when she is alright. Rekha kept observing her till 01:00 AM, then she fell asleep.

Seeing her sister fall asleep, Vasavi closed her room doors, sent an SMS to her cousin Chintu that she is going to commit suicide and not to leave the person who abetted her to commit suicide. Seeing the message, Chintu called her father at 03:00 AM and informed him about the message. Immediately, he woke up his elder daughter Rekha. They both knocked and banged at Vasavi's door, but in vain. Then they broke it open to find her hanging dead to the ceiling fan. Her eyes were open and blood was

flowing from her nose. Her suicide note was in her room addressing her sister, father and cousin Chintu; stating that Manoj is the reason for her suicide.

Interventions

- Conducted fact finding
- Approached ACP
- Approached collector for release of compensation

Present Status

- Accused arrested and sent to remand
- Sections in FIR altered to 306 of IPC and 3(2)(v) of SC, ST (PoA) Act
- Case pending in court

Recommendations

- Pay compensation immediately
- Speedy trial

2. Gorikepudi Samuel John Murder

Details of Victims:

Name of the Victim/Age	:	Gorikepudi Samuel John / 18
Caste	:	SC Madiga
Village	:	Dundipalem
Mandal	:	Tsundur
District	:	Guntur
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of Accused:

Name of the Accused/Age	:	1. Kukkala Gopi Reddy and 3 others
Caste	:	OC Reddy
Village	:	Dundipalem
Mandal	:	Tsundur
District	:	Guntur
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time	:	16.01.2016; 09:15 PM
Place of Incident	:	YSR Statue, Dundipalem Road
Type of Atrocity	:	Mass Attack and Murder
Date of lodging the first complaint	:	17.01.2016
Date of FIR	:	17.01.2016
F. I. R No.	:	6/2016
Police Station	:	Tsundur

Sections applied in the FIR

I. P. C	:	337, 324 r/w 34
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Details of the Case

Gorikepudi Ramesh and RatnaKumari, SC-Madiga by caste, R/o Dundipalem, Tsundur. They are agricultural workers. They have a son and a daughter. On 16th January 2016, around 09:15 in the night, their son Samuel John was returning from Tenali to Dundipalem on bike. At the same time, 4 people were coming in an auto from Valiveru to Dundipalem. After crossing YS Rajashekhar Reddy statue, near bus stop, auto and bike hit each other. Samuel John fell down with his bike. After hitting the bike, auto lost control and hit an elementary school bus. Auto's glass broke and the auto was badly damaged on the right side.

Four people in the auto, Kukkala Gopi Reddy, S/o Kukkala Srinivas Reddy; Gummadi Gopi Reddy, Atla Chandra Shekar, S/o Atla Edukondala Reddy and Pittu Gopi Reddy, S/o Pittu Konda Reddy got down the auto and approached Samuel John. They abused him in the name of caste, "Nee valle ila jarigindira Madiga naakodaka" (You are the reason for all this, you Madiga fellow). One of them took the rope used to start auto, they wrapped it around Samuel John's neck, dragged him and hit him to a rock. Samuel John got up and pleaded them that he would pay the damages. They ignored his pleas, beat him severely with iron rods, kicked him and finally, thought that he is dead and left him.

At that time, Dundipalem villagers, Kolakaluri Raja Kumar, aged 20 years, S/o Kolukaluri Sheshaiah, SC-Madiga by caste, working as auto driver; Kolakaluri MariyaDasu, aged 20 years, S/o Kolukaluri Agneshwara Rao, SC-Madiga by caste, who does Centering Work; Vattiprolu Prasanna Kumar Babu, aged 25 years, S/o Vattiprolu Mohana Rao, SC-Madiga by caste and Cherukuri Gopi, aged 19 years, S/o Cherukuri Dasu, SC-Madiga by caste were coming from Tenali in an auto.

The accused saw them and ran away. The villagers saw Samuel John lying down with wounds. They immediately called his family members and informed them that Samuel John is injured. They took him in the same auto to a hospital in Tenali. The doctor in that hospital examined Samuel John who was unconscious. She did first aid and asked them to take him to Guntur Hospital.

By the time Samuel John was taken to Government Hospital in Guntur, he went into coma. The doctors examined him and said that he has grievous wound on his head and needs to be operated. The doctors said that blood is not reaching brain, and hence cannot guarantee recovery after operation. Operation was performed and he was shifted to ICU. Samuel John died in ICU at 04:15 AM on 19.01.2016. A complaint was lodged in Tsundur PS on 17.01.2016 and FIR was registered accordingly. Sections were altered after his demise.

Interventions

- Conducted fact finding
- Submitted representations to Collector, SP and JD-SWD
- Got the compensation sanctioned
- Got SC, ST (PoA) Act included
- Created awareness to the community
- Strengthened the victims and witnesses

Present Status

- All accused arrested
- Charge Sheet filed
- Second stage compensation to be paid

3. Ketavath Lakshmi Bai

Obstruction of Duties, Caste Abuse, Attack

Details of the Victims:

Name of the Victim / Age	:	1. Ketavath Lakshmi Bai / 65 / ST - Lambada 2. Aashamolla Srikanth / 22 / SC - Mala
Village	:	SultanpurTanda, Sultanpur Panchayat
Mandal	:	Parigi
District	:	Ranga Reddy
State	:	Telangana

Details of the Accused

Name of the Accused/ Age	:	1. Koppu Srinivas / 35 / BC-Golla 2. Pirangi Narayana Reddy / 55 / OC-Reddy
Village	:	Sultanpur
Mandal	:	Parigi
District	:	Ranga Reddy
State	:	Telangana

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time	:	29.09.2016
Place of Incident	:	At Sarpanch's House, SultanpurTanda
Type of Atrocity	:	Obstructing from carrying on duties, attack, caste abuse
Date of Lodging First Complaint	:	29.09.2016; 05:00 PM
Date of FIR	:	01.10.2016
F. I. R No.	:	224/2016
Police Station	:	Parigi

Sections applied in the FIR

I. P. C	:	448, 328, 504
SC/ST (PoA) Act, 1989	:	3(1)(r)(s)

Details of the Case:

Ketavath Lakshmi Bai belongs to ST-Lambada caste residing in Sultanpur Tanda. Sultanpur Panchayat was given ST reservation in 2013 Panchayat Raj elections. Hence, for the first time, she contested and won as Sarpanch in the elections.

Pirangi Narayana Reddy, S/o Narasimha Reddy, OC-Reddy by caste is very dominant in their village. Since many years, whoever might be the elected as Sarpanch, Narayana Reddy was ruling. He would not tolerate anyone crossing his word. He also has a criminal background and has a Rowdy Sheet on him. It is also said that he murdered 2 people in the past. In case anyone doesn't listen to him, he would trouble them.

Similarly, after Lakshmi Bai was elected as Sarpanch, he took all the charge. He never allowed her to carry on any duty. She had to go to his house to sign on the official papers. He threatened not to get her son along with her while she visits his house. Once he made her sign on 19 blank letter heads.

Whenever facilities to the village like roads, gutters, or bore wells are sanctioned, he would claim that he acquired them, and not allow her to involve in any of those works. In the early days when Lakshmi Bai was elected as Sarpanch, funds were sanctioned for building a school in the village. All the Panchayat members decided that the building would be constructed under School Management Committee and signed on the papers. But, Narayana Reddy tore those papers, and said that he would take the contract. At present, the school building is being built under his supervision as contractor.

For two years, after being elected as Sarpanch, Lakshmi Bai was under his control. Since last year, the youth in their village, who are educated and gaining political awareness, started questioning Narayana Reddy. The SC, ST and BC communities in the village have good relations and are united. They stopped consulting him and were doing the works in the village independently. Previously even for petty works, they had to seek Narayana Reddy's help and the works would be done only if he permitted to. As they started going away from his grip, he plotted for revenge. He started harassing them.

Two years ago, bore wells were sanctioned to the village. Naveen Reddy, owner of Sai Krishna Bore Wells took the contract. 6 bores were dug in the village. Narayana Reddy got the cheques written in the name of Tourya Nayak, Lakshmi Bai's son. Tourya Nayak had to withdraw the amount and hand over to Narayana Reddy. He gave the money in the presence of Narsing Raoji, Village Secretary. Narayana Reddy said that he would make the full payment to the bore well contractor. Nothing happened since then. When the youth started opposing him and supporting the Sarpanch, he made the bore-well contractor approach the court for the money. Notices were served to Sarpanch. When she went to ask him, he said that she has to give him Rs. 2, 70, 000/- in turn. In helpless situation, the Sarpanch paid Rs. 86,000/- once and Rs. 76,000/- next to get the case resolved.

The whole village started opposing Narayana Reddy. He had only few families supporting him. Then, to pull down the Sarpanch and the youth supporting her, he complained to the MPTC Koppu Sujatha, W/o Koppu Srinivas that the Village Panchayat members sold the bore-motors. On 29.09.2016, to enquire into this matter, Jai Ram, EORD and Narsing Raoji, Panchayat Secretary along with others came to the Panchayat Office. They first called for the Sarpanch and questioned her. She said that they did not sell the bore-motors and they are safe in her house. She asked them to come to her house and check. They went to Sarpanch's house, saw that the motors were there. Then they asked her for the Panchayat Records for inspection, took them and went away. This happened around 02:00 PM.

After all the officials left, Koppu Srinivas, MPTC's husband was still there at Sarpanch's house. He demanded her to tell everything as he is husband of MPTC. He said that he has all authority to question her. He abused her saying, "Lambadi munda, lanja, mee bratukuenduku? Evariki sariporu. Meeru Patelnu ediristaraave? Mimmalni mukkalu chesi ooranta challutaamu. Patel nilabetti gelipistene gelichinaavu. Ippudu eduru tirugutava, Lambadi munda, randa, mandani mimalni kanipinchakunda chesi parestaam." (Lambadi bitch, whore why do you live? You people are not fit for anyone. How dare you people oppose Patel(village head here Narayana Reddy)? We will cut you all into pieces and scatter all over village. You won the elections with his support and now you are opposing him. Lambadi bitch, whore, slut, we will make you all disappear.) Lakshmi Bai asked, "Why are you abusing me like this son?" He shouted at her for addressing him as 'son' and punched her on head and neck. At that time, Bayya Venkatayya, Chakali Srisailam, Golla Narsimlu, Kurva Srinu, Angoth Mohan, Kethavath Rupla, Karukonda Ramulu were there. They tried to stop Koppu Srinivas.

He in turn abused them all. The other villagers stopped him and took him away from that place. The youth were furious saying for how many years they have to bear this domination. They all sat down and wrote a complaint. As it rained heavily, they went to PS around 05:00 PM. Nagesh, SI at Parigi PS, BC by caste did not agree to take the complaint. He asked them to come next day. He did not even let the Sarpanch sit. The youth who accompanied her insisted to register the complaint. He took the complaint, but did not register the case. For two days, they kept going to PS, the SI would come and sit and make them stand the whole day. Finally, due to continuous persistence, he registered FIR on 01.10.2016.

Narayana Reddy has a milk center in Parigi. Aashamolla Srikanth, SC-Mala by caste works there. Srikanth's mother Sattemma works as house maid in Narayana Reddy's house for 20 years and his whole family works for Narayana Reddy's family. Narayana Reddy threatened him and made him register a false complaint on one of the witnesses pro to Sarpanch, BayyaVenkatayya. This FIR was registered on 02.10.2016, bearing Cr. No225/2016, u/s 3(1)(s) of SC, ST (PoA) Act. Bayya Srinivas, brother of Bayya Venkatayya called Srikanth on phone and asked him the reason why he registered this case. Srikanth said that his life is in danger and asked them to compromise with Narayana Reddy in the Sarpanch's case. This conversation was recorded. Since 03.10.2016 Srikanth went missing. His mother Aashamolla Sattemma, approached Narayana Reddy and asked him about her son. He said that he doesn't know and questioned her why she is asking him about her son. Sattemma wrote a statement that the complaint lodged by her son against Bayya Venkatayya is a false complaint and gave it to Naveen Kumar, SP, Ranga Reddy. Narayana Reddy caught by her neck and pushed her away from PS abusing her for giving that complaint.

Socio Economic and Political Conditions of the Village:

There are 45 ST families and 100 SC, 200 BC, 40 OC families in Sultanpur. The main occupation in the village is agriculture. The SCs and STs have assigned lands. The SC, ST and BC families have amicable relations. Narayana Reddy and his son Madhusudan Reddy are dominant in the village. Madhusudan Reddy does real estate and other businesses and has political support.

Interventions

- Conducted fact finding
- Recorded victims statements
- Conducted awareness meetings in the village
- Raised the case in DVMC and ensured that action was taken
- Submitted representations to district collector and SP.

Present Status

- FIR registered
- Accused got stay from High Court
- Accused not arrested
- There is tense situation in the village

Recommendations:

- Accused should be arrested immediately
- Police picket should be arranged in the village immediately

4. Lanka Simhachalam Murder

Details of Victims:

Name of the Victim/Age	:	Lanka Simhachalam @ Shiva
Caste	:	SC - Madiga
Village	:	Kovvada
Mandal	:	Kakinada
District	:	East Godavari
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of Accused:

Name of the Accused/Age	:	1. Siripurapu Raju / 35 / OC-Kapu 2. Srinu / 40 / BC-Gowda
Village	:	Kovvada
Mandal	:	Kakinada
District	:	East Godavari
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time	:	17.04.2016
Place of Incident	:	Timmapuram
Type of Atrocity	:	Murder
Date of lodging the first complaint	:	01.05.2016
Date of FIR	:	01.05.2016
F.I.R No.	:	74/2016
Police Station	:	Indrapalem

Sections applied in the FIR

I. P. C	:	302, 201 r/w 34
SC/ST (PoA) Act, 1989	:	3(2)(v)

Details of the Case:

Lanka Mariamma, SC-Madiga by caste has a daughter and a son. Her husband died. She sold their house and got the daughter married. She is living with her son Lanka Simhachalam alias Shiva at Ambedkarnagar in Kovvada. He works as a tile worker with Siripurapu Raju, aged 35 years, R/o Prakash Nagar, Kakinada, OC Kapu by caste. Raju is from Katravulapalli. In a distress that his mother sold the house and they are living in a hut, Simhachalam used to consume alcohol. His marriage was fixed with a girl in their relatives.

On 17.04.2016, he got a phone call from Siripurapu Raju. He took the call and said, "Yes brother Raju, I am coming." He told his mother that he is going to Talupulammalova and went away hurriedly. He went to Siripurapu Raju. They together went to Peddapuram, took some material required for tile work, then went to Gudivada, took some more material and reached J. Timmapuram by afternoon.

They consumed toddy in the toddy shop that belongs to Srinu's sister. Srinu and Raju are known to each other. Raju said he would go to his home, meet his parents and come. He asked Simhachalam to stay there and went away. Simhachalam stared at Srinu's niece. He wrote a slip, handed it to a little girl beside him and asked to give it to her. That child's mother took the letter and read it out loudly. The people in toddy shop heard it and were about to beat Simhachalam. Suspecting danger, he ran away.

When Siripurapu Raju returned, the people there caught hold of him, told him that the person who came with him has written a letter to their girl, and said that they would not leave him till that person comes. Raju called Simhachalam. He cut the call without lifting. By then, that girl's maternal uncle Srinu, aged 40 years, R/o J Timmapuram, Jaggampeta Mandal, BC-Gowda by caste has come. Srinu said that they would together catch Simhachalam and asked them to leave Raju. They let him go.

Srinu told Raju that his sister and he were not talking for 6 months. They started talking since few days. Hence, he has to somehow get hold of Simhachalam. They consumed toddy and they took a 16-mm steel rod at toddy shop and started searching for Simhachalam. Simhachalam was at J. Timmapuram pipelines. He was sitting in the dark and checking his mobile. Raju and Srinu saw the light and caught hold of him. Raju was also angry with him as he suspected that Simhachalam has extra-marital relation with his wife. Three of them argued for some time. In the heat of the argument, Srinu became furious. Saying, "How dare you tease my niece", he hit Simhachalam with iron rod on his forehead. Simhachalam fell down with that one blow. Then Raju caught hold of his legs, Srinu pressed his neck and killed him. Then they took him to a well in a Palmolive garden. They threw his dead body in that 50 feet well and threw palm olive leaves in the well to cover it.

Next morning, Simhachalam's mother was waiting for her son, as there was no phone call from him. On 19.04.2016, Raju went to his home and asked his mother if Simhachalam has come home. He said that his work is getting effected. She said that he told her he is going to Talupulammalova with Raju. Raju said, he did not go there as he was busy with his kids, and he sent Simhachalam to give a hen and come. Then he told her to inform him when he returns. He put a 100 rupee note on the ground and said that he had to give that money to Simhachalam. Though Mariamma felt little doubtful, she did not think much as Simhachalam sometimes went out to other districts on work and stayed for days or weeks.

As days went by, there was no word about him. Mariyamma went to the village sarpanch and informed him. He advised it is better complaining to the police. On 01.05.2016, they lodged a complaint in the police station. Mariyamma expressed her doubt on her son's close friend Sattibabu, a Kapu boy from Kovvada and on Raju. As Sattibabu and Simhachalam had a dispute sometime back, the police concentrated more on him. Sattibabu told that, though they fought some time back, they are talking then. He also told that on 17.04.2016, Simhachalam called him and asked if he would join him to consume toddy at Timmapuram. How much ever he was questioned, Sattibabu told only that.

Police checked Simhachalam's phone list. Then they saw that last call was from Raju. They took him into custody and questioned. Then Raju told them everything. He also told that Srinu, BC-Gowda was also involved in the murder. Before this, he came every three days to Mariyamma, asked about Simhachalam, and consoled her. He also accompanied her to the PS.

Interventions

- Conducted fact finding
- Given representations to Collector

Present Status

- Charge Sheet not filed
- All accused arrested
- Sent mother of victim for DNA test

Recommendations

- Speedy investigation
- Compensation should be released

5. Obstruction of duties of Dalit women sarpanch

Attack on Dalits in Police Station

Details of the Victims:

Name of the Victim /Age	:	1. Kollabattula Jhansi Lakshmi Bai / 65 2. Nethala Prabhakar / 30
Caste	:	SC - Mala
Village	:	Mori
Mandal	:	Sakhinetipalli
District	:	East Godavari
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of the Accused

Name of the Accused/ Age	:	BallaBhaskar / 40 and others
Caste	:	OC Kapu
Village	:	VuyyuruvariMeraka
Mandal	:	Sakhinetipalli
District	:	East Godavari
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time	:	07.09.2016; 11:00 PM
Place of Incident	:	Sakhinetipalli PS
Type of Atrocity	:	Attack, Caste Abuse
Date of Lodging First Complaint	:	07.09.2016
Date of FIR	:	1. 07.09.2016 2. 08.09.2016
F.I.R No.	:	1. 94/2016 2. 97/2016
Police Station	:	Sakhinetipalli

Sections applied in the FIR

I. P. C	:	1. 324, 323, 506, 509 r/w 34 2. 324, 506 r/w 34
SC/ST (PoA) Act, 1989	:	1. 3(1)(r)(s), 3(2)(va) 2. 3(1)(r)(s)

Details of the Case:

Kollabattula Jhansi Lakshmi Bai, SC-Mala by caste is the Sarpanch of Mori Village, Sakshinetipalli Mandal. She was elected unanimously in the year 2013. She is a retired teacher. Poturaju Surya Ramana Murthy, OC-Kapu is the Deputy-Sarpanch. There are 12 ward members in this Panchayat of which 3 SC, 3 BC and 6 OCs. Vuyyuruvari Meraka (VV Meraka) is the adjacent village to Mori. Choppala Vijaya Kumari, SC-Mala is the Sarpanch of that village. Balla Bhaskara Rao, OC-Kapu is the Deputy-Sarpanch of VV Meraka. Pappula Lakshmi Saraswathi is the MPP of Sakshinetipalli Mandal and her husband is Pappula Ramesh. Saraswathi is nominal and Ramesh does everything whole & sole. The water supply is from common source for both the villages. They used to share water equally. 6 months back, Balla Bhaskar arranged a bend pipe towards Mori Village at the junction point of water pipes. It obstructed water flow towards Mori. Since then, there was no water supply to SC Colony in Mori Village. Jhansi Lakshmi Bai complained to Ramesh, MPPs husband about the issue 4-5 times. The junction of water pipe line is in fact beside his house. In the last week of August, when Jhansi Lakshmi and her husband were discussing with Ramesh on the issue, Balla Bhaskar came to the place and started abusing her and her husband in the name of caste saying, "Mala lanjakodukullara, em peekkuntaro peekkondi. Meeku eeneellu endukura?" (You sons of Mala bitches, do whatever you can. Why do you need this water?) After that, they kept quiet for 15 days. As the issue was not resolved, and the villagers were pressurizing her, Jhansi Lakshmi approached Vijaya Kumari, Sarpanch of VV Meraka. She expressed her inability stating that Bhaskar does not allow even her to discharge her duties. On 07.09.2016, at about 07:00 AM, Jhansi Lakshmi, along with Beera Joseph, pastor in the village and other village elders, approached Gollapalli Surya Rao, SC by caste, MLA and complained about the issue. He belongs to Telugu Desam Party (TDP - Ruling Party). He abused Jhansi Lakshmi for supporting YSRCP (Opposition Party). He also abused Joseph saying that he made people vote to a criminal and cursed that he would go to hell for holding bible and doing such deeds. However, on the same day DE, JE of RWS Department came to the spot to resolve the issue. They were at MPPs house and called for Jhansi Lakshmi. Jhansi Lakshmi and her husband started on bike to the MPPs house. On the way, they informed the SC Colony of Mori village that the water department has come to resolve the issue. The youth and some women from SC Colony said that they would also come to the water point, so that they can show the exact point where the pipe was attached, talk to the water department and also help in the work. 10 people from Mori, along with Sarpanch, gathered at the MPPs house. They met the DE, JE from RWS Department. The SC youth of Mori village, took them to the spot, dug the mud and showed the exact point where the bend pipe was attached. The DE and JE saw the pipe and said that they would get it adjusted. Then as the DE and JE went back to Ramesh's house, Jhansi Lakshmi and her husband followed them to ask when they would fix it. Balla Bhaskar came to Ramesh's house and started abusing Jhansi Lakshmi. He also mocked at her saying that there is no use approaching the MLA to resolve the issue. The MLA would come to his feet and people would come to support him just with a snap of his finger. He said that she

cannot do anything approaching the higher political leaders. Abusing her in unparliamentarily language, he opened the zip of his pant and said, “Emi peekkuntavo peekko” (Do whatever you want). He caught her husband's collar and was about to beat him. The Mori SC Colony youth was angry and questioned him for the reason why he was abusing their Sarpanch. The dispute arose and both the parties exchanged words. Bhaskar threw a chair on the Mori villagers and Nethala Prabhakar, SC youth of Mori in turn threw a chair on him. Ramesh, DE and JE were speechless at the way Bhaskar was abusing. This incident took place around 02:00 PM. The SC youth of Mori Village and the accused party approached Sakhinetipalli PS in the afternoon. SI tried compromising both the parties. He asked them to think once again to resolve the dispute without going for a case. The police advised both the parties to come back in the evening, after thinking thoroughly about it. The SI called Jhansi Lakshmi and asked her to come with her villagers in the evening. They came back in the evening; the accused gathered almost 200 people from nearby villages. The police said that they have registered FIRs based on the complaints given by both the parties. They asked the accused and his mob to leave the police station first. They asked the victims to leave sometime after they disperse. Even after the police repeatedly asked them to leave, the accused did not leave the station till 11:00pm in the night. The police finally asked the victims to leave first. They were about to disperse. Jhansi Lakshmi thought it is better to first send her people and then go. But, her villagers asked her to start first, concerned about her safety. Jhansi Lakshmi and her husband got on bike and were about to start. Nethala Prabhakar, one of the villagers was going towards his cycle. Balla Bhaskar, his brother Balla Lakshmana Rao, Pappula Ramesh, his brother Pappula Suresh, Uppu Sattibabu, Raavi Chinarayudu and 6 others all of a sudden attacked him from back. Balla Bhaskar attacked him with a small knife and stabbed him on his stomach, back and other parts of body. Prabhakar's mother Nethala Varalakshmi started crying and called loudly for Jhansi Lakshmi. She came back to the PS, where the attack was going on. Prabhakar was immediately sent to Government Hospital in Razole by police. A complaint was lodged by Prabhakar on the same day, i.e., on 07.09.2016. Balla Bhaskar was arrested immediately and others escaped. FIR was registered on 08.09.2016. The accused also filed a counter case against the victims on 08.09.2016.

Socio Economic and Political Conditions of the Village:

East Godavari is dominated by the Kapu community. They are one of the landlord communities who are very authoritative, influential and major supporters of the ruling party. East Godavari is recognized as atrocity prone area and the Kapus discriminate dalits brutally. The school children are discriminated heinously; women are sexually exploited and deprived. In the areas where there is political reservation and dalit candidates are elected, Kapus do not allow them to discharge their duties. More than the joy of victory, dalit candidates are afraid of the troubles they have to face from the Kapus. Though innumerable atrocities keep happening, the cases that are reported are negligible. Though Jhansi Lakshmi was elected unanimously the actual power is wielded by the dominant community. It is learnt that these dominant caste political figures implemented many government schemes like, cutting and sale of coconut trees and other schemes like NTR Sujala Sravanthi Water Plant were established without the knowledge of the Surpanch Jhansi Lakshmi.

Interventions:

- Conducted fact-finding
- Approached the police officials

- Conducted a press-meet
- Monitored the medical treatment of victim
- Organized public action in front of police station

Present Status:

- 4 FIRS registered 2 from the victims and 2 from the accused
- Only one accused arrested
- One of the victims is undergoing treatment

Recommendations:

- False cases against the victims should be closed
- All accused should be arrested
- Proper sections should be included in the FIRs
- Special Officer should be appointed for enquiry of the atrocities and implementation of the SC, ST (PoA) Act, 1989 and Rules.
- Action should be taken u/s 4 of SC, ST (PoA) Act, 1989 on SP and Collector
- The water issue of Mori village should be resolved immediately
- Medical expenses should be given to the victims immediately
- Immediate relief, compensation and rehabilitation should be provided
- MPP of Sakhinipalli Mandal and Deputy Sarpanch of VV Meraka should be suspended from their duties immediately
- Government should take necessary action to enable the sarpanchs of Mori and VV Meraka to discharge their duties properly

6. Nadimidodla Chennamma Gang Rape and Murder

Details of Victims:

Name of the Victim/Age	:	Nadimidodla Chennamma / 45
Caste	:	SC Madiga
Village	:	Veljal
Mandal	:	Mominpet
District	:	Ranga Reddy
State	:	Telangana

Details of Accused:

Name of the Accused/Age	:	1. Kavali Shankar / 30 / BC - Kuruva 2. Nagaram Narsimulu / 38 / BC - Mudiraj 3. Urenta Prashanth / 20 / SC - Mala
Village	:	Veljal
Mandal	:	Mominpet
District	:	Ranga Reddy
State	:	Telangana

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time : 02.02.2016
Type of Atrocity : Gang Rape & Murder
Date of lodging the first complaint : 03.02.2016
Date of FIR : 03.02.2016
F.I.R No. : 28/2016
Police Station : Vikarabad

Sections applied in the FIR

I.P.C : 302

Details of the Case:

Sujatha and Kuntolla Sunitha are daughters of Nadimidodla Chennamma and Sailu. Sailu left to Mumbai for livelihood 24 years ago and he never returned. Since then she took care of her daughters. Sujatha went away with someone. Sunitha got married to Srinivas, their relative five years ago, prior to the date of incident. Chennamma was living alone at Subash Nagar in Vikarabad. She earned her livelihood by selling vegetables and working as daily labourer.

On 02.02.2016 night, she went out to consume toddy and did not return. On 03.02.2016, around 12:00 noon, her dead body was found in Begari Sayanna's agricultural field, near Gangaram Village. She was strangled with her saree, fingers of left hand were burnt. An empty liquor bottle, four disposable glasses were found near her dead body.

Later in the police investigation, it was found that Kavali Shankaraiah, aged 30 years, S/o Late Kavali Mallaiah, BC- Kuruva by caste; Nagaram Narsimulu, aged 38 years, S/o Nagaram Lalaiah, BC-Mudiraj by caste and Urenta Prashanth, aged 20 years, S/o Urenta Mallaiah, SC-Mala by caste were friends. On 02.02.2016, they consumed toddy in the same shop where the victim went. After some time, they asked the victim to join them in consuming toddy. She did so. Tudumolla Yadamma, sweeper in Railway Station who was also consuming toddy there, noticed them. They all drank till evening and then Shankaraiah asked her if she would be with them for the night. They offered Rs.3,000/- and she agreed. Shankaraiah dropped Narsimulu and Prashanth at railway crossing and came back to pick up Chennamma. On the way, he bought liquor bottle. They met Narsimulu and Prashanth and all four went into Begari Sayanna's field as it was secluded. There three of them sexually enjoyed the victim.

Around 09:30 pm the victim asked for money, they paid only Rs.700/-. Victim forced them to pay full amount and threatened that she would tell others if they did not pay the amount. The accused decided to get rid of her. Shankaraiah pounced on her and pushed her to ground. He sat on her chest. Narsimulu strangled her with her saree. When she tried to resist, Shankaraiah held her hands and Prashanth held her legs tightly restricting from movement. Meanwhile, Narsimulu strangled her to death.

After that, Shankaraiah and Prashanth smoked cigarettes. The dry grass caught fire from the sparks of cigarettes and victim's left hand fingers were partially burnt in this fire. The accused put off the fire and fled away. As her dead body was found on the next day and police enquiry was going on, the three accused surrendered to the Thasildar of Vikarabad.

Interventions

- Conducted fact finding
- Represented to the District Collector and SP.
- Raised the case in District vigilance and Monitoring Committee Meeting

Present Status

- All accused arrested
- Charge sheet filed
- Case pending in court
- Compensation paid

Recommendations

- Speedy trial

7. Nallavelli Anusha Rape of Minor Girl

Details of the Victims:

Name of the Victim /Age	:	Nallavelli Anusha / 7
Caste	:	SC Mala
Village	:	Bairamalguda
Mandal	:	LB Nagar
District	:	Ranga Reddy
State	:	Telangana

Details of the Accused

Name of the Accused / Age	:	Goraav / 15
Caste	:	BC-Kummari
Village	:	Bairamalguda Village.
Mandal	:	LB Nagar
District	:	Ranga Reddy
State	:	Telangana

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time	:	01.08.2016; 12:30 PM
Place of Incident	:	Bairamalguda
Type of Atrocity	:	Rape
Date of lodging the first complaint	:	01.08.2016
Date of FIR	:	01.08.2016
F. I. R No.	:	926/2016
Police Station	:	LB Nagar

Sections applied in the FIR

SC/ST (PoA) Act, 1989	:	3(2)(v), (5) r/w (6)
IPC	:	452, 376 (2) (h)

Details of the Case:

Nallavelli Venkatesh, R/o Bairamalguda, LB Nagar, Hyderabad is a native of Malla Reddy Palli, Chintapalli Mandal, Nalgonda district. His parents migrated to Bairamalguda 30 years back. They put up a hut beside the lake and work as laborer. Venkatesh also stays with his parents. His elder daughter Anusha is 7 years and younger daughter Manisha is 2 years. His wife Swapna stays at home to take care of the daughters. Anusha is studying 2nd class in local government school.

Beside their house, Goraav and his 3 brothers are staying since 2 years. They are from Haryana. Goraav works as a clothes seller. His eldest brother got married and his wife went to her parents' place for delivery. Along with her, 2 other brothers also went to Haryana. At present, Goraav and his eldest brother are staying in the house.

On 01.08.2016, it was a holiday for the school on the occasion of Bonalu. Hence, Anusha was at home. She went to play outside as it was raining. She went to get Guava from the tree. Goraav was alone at home. He saw that no one was observing them, went to Anusha and took her inside his home. He removed her underwear and made her lie on the floor and had anal sex with her. As she was crying, he beat her on her head. Hit her head hit the ground and was injured.

After sometime, Swapna heard Anusha calling her from outside. She was angry that her daughter went out to play in rain. She was about to beat her, but Anusha started crying and said that she is bleeding. Swapna was worried and asked her what happened. Anusha told her about the incident. By then, blood was flowing down her legs. Tensed Swapna, shouted for help. As it was Bonalu, most of the residents went out to temple. Only some were there. People gathered and asked what has happened. By then Anusha fell down unconscious. Neighbors called Venkatesh over phone to his work place and informed him that his daughter is bleeding and asked him to come immediately.

Neighbors took Anusha to hospital. Doctor examined her and understood that she was sexually exploited. He immediately called police. Police investigated and arrested the accused.

Interventions:

- Conducted fact finding
- Approached SI, ASI, ACP, DRO, MRO and Collector
- Arranged for medical treatment to the victim
- Approached the doctors for better treatment
- Got immediate relief sanctioned
- Approached AE and DE for electrical connection to victim's house

Present Status:

- Accused arrested
- FSL report pending
- Compensation not paid

Recommendations:

- Compensation should be paid to the victim
- Speedy investigation

8. Polu Naga Malleshwari

Rape of Physically and Mentally Challenged Minor Girl

Details of the Victims:

Name of the Victim /Age	:	Polu Naga Malleshwari / 13
Caste	:	SC - Madiga
Village	:	Chiluvuru
Mandal	:	Duggirala
District	:	Guntur
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of the Accused

Name of the Accused/ Age	:	Eggadi Anjaneyulu / 55
Caste	:	SC-Madiga
Village	:	Chiluvuru
Mandal	:	Duggirala
District	:	Guntur
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time	:	16.10.2016
Place of Incident	:	In lime garden of the accused
Type of Atrocity	:	Rape
Date of Lodging First Complaint	:	16.10.2016
Date of FIR	:	16.10.2016
F.I. R No.	:	99/2016
Police Station	:	Duggirala

Sections applied in the FIR

I. P. C	:	376(2)(i)
Other	:	4 POCSO Act, 2012

Details of the Case:

Polu Naga Malleshwari(13) D/o Polu Naga Rani and Nageshwara Rao SC Madiga by caste, is resident of Chiluvuru Village. They are daily wage workers. They have two daughters and a son, among whom, elder daughter is Naga Malleshwari. She is deaf and dumb by birth. She is also mentally challenged. Her mother takes her along with her while going to work. They do not leave her alone at home at any point of time. There is a lime garden on one side and houses on other side of their house.

The Lime Garden belongs to Eggadi Anjaneyulu, aged 55 years, SC-Madiga by caste. He is married and his wife's name is Eggadi Yesamma. He has 3 sons and a daughter. They are all married and have children.

On 16.10.2016, around 08:00 in the morning, Naga Malleshwari went out to attend nature call. Her mother milked the buffalo, kept the milk inside and went out. When she searched for her daughter, she was nowhere to be found. She was tensed and was about to go to the lime garden. Just then,

Mekala Francis asked her not to go that side as there are monkeys around. She went a little further and sat on a higher place to pass urine. She then spotted her daughter lying down on her back and Eggadi Anjaneyulu lying on her. She immediately shouted and ran towards her. On seeing her, Anjaneyulu ran away. She noticed that her daughter's underwear was removed and there was sperm on her thighs. Eggadi Anjaneyulu ran away and was standing beside Mekala Francis on the other side of the garden.

Naga Rani and Naga Malleshwari returned home and cried for long time. When Nageshwara Rao returned from work, Naga Rani told that their daughter is raped. When they told their neighbors, they came to know that Duru Praveen, their relative saw Eggadi Anjaneyulu taking Naga Malleshwari by hand and taking her into the garden. He thought that she was trying to attend nature call on the way and he was helping her taking her a little inside. Nageshwara Rao's mother Polu Kamamma, went to Anjaneyulu's house and asked him why he raped her granddaughter. He replied rudely saying that he did not do anything and she can do whatever she wants. His wife also replied in same way saying that whoever enter into their garden have to face the same consequence.

Naga Malleshwari's parents took her to police station along with the dress she was wearing during the incident. They complained in the Police Station and the case was registered. She was sent to Government Hospital in Guntur for treatment.

Interventions:

- Conducted fact finding

Present Status:

- Charge Sheet yet to be filed
- FSL reports pending

Recommendations:

- Speedy investigation
- Compensation to be paid

9. Talapakula Krishnaveni Murder

Details of Victims:

Name of the Victim/Age	: Talapakula Krishnaveni / 30
Caste	: SC - Madiga
Village	: Draksharamam
Mandal	: Ramachandrapuram
District	: East Godavari
State	: Andhra Pradesh

Details of Accused:

Name of the Accused/Age	: Amalaganti Gangadhar
Caste	: OC Kapu
Village	: Draksharamam

Mandal : Ramachandrapuram
 District : East Godavari
 State : Andhra Pradesh

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time : 14.03.2016; 12:00 in the night
 Place of Incident : TippiarajuPalem
 Type of Atrocity : Murder

Date of lodging the first complaint:

Date of FIR : 15.03.2016
 F. I. R No. : 44/2016
 Police Station : Gollapalem

Sections applied in the FIR

a) I. P. C : 302, 201
 b) SC/ST (PoA) Act, 1989 : 3(2)(v)

Details of the Case:

Parivela Marthamma and Raju have 3 sons and 2 daughters. They got all 5 of them married. Krishnaveni is second daughter. She was married on 14.06.2006 to Talapakula Prasanna Kumar, who is her paternal aunt's son. They have a son and a daughter. Prasanna Kumar was an alcohol addict. He used to doubt her and hence beat and harass her. Her parents could not see their daughter suffer. They brought her home in 2009. Since then, she is staying with her parents. As her children were growing, she wanted to financially support herself. Hence, in 2013, she started searching for job. She joined as a sales girl in Bheemeshwara Cut Pieces, Shop No.4, in Draksharamam Panchayat. That shop was run by 4 partners. Amalakanti Gangadhar, OC-Kapu by caste, was one of the partners. He became close to Krishnaveni and they developed extra-marital relation.

Kanumu Jagadeesh was also working in the same shop. Keshava Veera Kanaka Durga Devi alias Devi was working in a shop beside Bheemeshwara Cut Pieces. Devi belongs to OC-Kapu caste. Krishna Veni helped Devi find a house for rent and got her job in the shop. They were very close to each other. They had no secrets between them. Krishnaveni and Gangadhar used to go out every day. She often told Devi that she loves Gangadhar so much and he too loves her that much. She also doubted if her husband would ever come and take her back. Krishnaveni and Gangadhar were very close to each other. But, he always doubted her. He did not allow her to use phone or talk to anyone. His wife came to know about their relation. She came along with her brother to the shop. She abused Krishnaveni and started slapping her. She caught by hair and was dragging her out. People from other shops came out and stopped her. They asked to talk to her husband about the relation than beating Krishnaveni. Later, Gangadhar doubted that she is in relation with someone else and beat her. Feeling insulted, she stopped working in that shop. She stayed at home for 2 months. Krishnaveni joined in another shop in August 2015. Still, he did not leave her. He harassed her. He did not allow her to talk to anyone. She told him that instead of harassing, he can marry her and take care of her children. On 14.03.2016, Krishnaveni got ready and as usual started to shop. When she reached shop, she told Devi that Gangadhar promised a surprise for her that day. As promised, Gangadhar sent a gift box to her by

Jagadeesh. When she opened it, she found 'mangalasutra' (sacred thread for marriage). She was very excited. She expected that he would marry her and she would have a good marital life. Gangadhar called Jagadeesh on phone and asked her to get Krishnaveni. Jagadeesh came to her at 07:30 in the evening and took her to Gangadhar on bike to Adivarapu Road in Ramachandrapuram. Gangadhar took her on bike to Okatava Number Kalavagattu in Tipparaju Palem village. There they sat in Kanakala Phani Kumar's agricultural land and talked for long time. Then he asked for sex. While doing sex, he took out the knife he already brought with him and brutally cut her throat. She struggled and finally died. Then he poured petrol on her, put dry grass and lighted her. Then he ran away from the place. Next day morning, ie., on 15.03.2016, he opened his shop and was carrying out business as usual. Krishnaveni's parents are aware of her relation with Gangadhar. There are many nights where she stayed out. They thought he would take good care of her. Her mother was worried because she never went out on Mondays. Devi came to her home and asked about Krishnaveni. Her mother told that even she doesn't know. Devi told that Gangadhar planned for some surprise and Krishnaveni went out with him. On Wednesday morning, ie., on 16.03.2016, Krishnaveni's mother Marthamma went to Gangadhar and asked him about her daughter. She told that the children are crying and she is also worried. He said that even he doesn't have a clue and he has just visited Draksharamam temple for her well-being. Marthamma thought that he hid her in some place and was lying. She went home. She was afraid to give complaint. That evening, Marthamma, her sisters Puvvula Lakshmi, Athapudi Mary and Devi went to Gangadhar. They asked him about Krishnaveni's whereabouts. Devi said that she knows that he has sent a gift and Jagadeesh took her to him. Gangadhar still said that he doesn't know anything and asked Devi to accompany him to Kotipalli to search for her. Devi refused to go with him. They all told him that they would complain to the police. On 17.03.2016, SI and CI from Gollapalem came to Marthamma. They first enquired about her missing daughter. They said that a woman died in Gollapalem. They gave her the deceased's belongings and asked her to check if they belonged to her daughter. By then police have sent her to Mortuary, got the post mortem done and buried her. They showed bangles, slippers, a small piece of her dress. The piece was fully covered in blood and hence was not burnt. On seeing those things, Krishnaveni's parents and relatives identified them and started crying. Though she has seen this news in papers and TV, she thought that her daughter was safe. As the corpse was burnt 75%, Khandavalli Somaraju, Koduri Eshwara Rao and some villagers called VRO and informed about the incident. On VROs complaint and postmortem report, Gollapalem police registered an FIR U/S 302 and 201 of IPC. Still Gangadhar did not come out with the facts. He was acting as if he was depressed with her death. Police took him into custody. They called her parents, relatives and asked them to tell them every detail. Marthamma told police everything she knew about her daughter. Gangadhar also told that he was praying all Gods to get her back to him. Police sent her parents and relatives. Then they questioned Gangadhar. Facts came out in the enquiry. After that, SC, ST (PoA) Act, 1989 were included. The accused was arrested.

Interventions

- Conducted fact finding
- Sent representations to district authorities.

Present Status:

- Compensation not paid
- Charge Sheet not filed

Recommendations:

- Compensation should be given to the deceased family members.
- Rehabilitation should be provided to the dependents as per the provisions of SC, ST (PoA) Act

10 Caste abuse and Attack

Cow skinning

Details of the Victims:

Name of the Victim /Age	:	1. Mokaati Elisha (60), 2. Mokaati Venkateshwara Rao @ Lazar (55), 3. Savarapu Lakshmana Rao (27), 4. Savarapu Prema Kumar (16)
Caste	:	SC, Madiga
Village	:	Janaki Peta & Pothukurru
Mandal	:	Amalapuram & Ainavilli
District	:	East Godavari
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of the Accused

Name of the Accused/ Age	:	1. Mamidipalli Narayana Murthy @ Abbulu/58 and 7 others
Caste	:	BC Goud
Village	:	Paamanasa Village
Mandal	:	Amalapuram Mandal
District	:	East Godavari
State	:	Andhra Pradesh

Details of incident /FIR

Date of Incident/Time	:	08.08.2016; 09:30 PM
Place of Incident	:	Sudhapalem Graveyards
Type of Atrocity	:	Caste Abuse, Attack, Attempt to Murder
Date of FIR	:	09.08.2016; 05:00 AM
F. I. R No.	:	89/2016
Police Station	:	Uppalaguptam

Sections applied in the FIR

I. P. C	:	341, 324, 307 r/w 34
SC/ST (PoA) Act, 1989	:	3(1)(r)(s), 3(2)(va)

Details of the Case:

Urrenka Narayana Rao, BC Goud, Rajulapudi Gangadhara Rao, BC Goud and Bhupatiraju Venkatapati Raju are residents of Kamanagaruvu, Amalapuram Mandal. Three of them have a cow each. Their cows often graze in the fields of Veeri Srinivasa Rao of the same village. He complained to them many times about their cows, but it was of no use. On 08.08.2016, Veeri Srinivasa Rao took those cows secretly and hid 2 of them with Chavvakula Saibabu and 1 with Pulidindi Chandra Rao in Gandhamvari Palem at Samanasa outskirts. The owners of the cows started searching.

On the same day i.e., on 8th August, the pregnant cow of Booragayala Aravind of Kamana Garuvu village died of electrical shock. Mokaati Elisha received a phone call from Aravind around 7.40pm on the same day and said that his dead cow is at Gowtham school, Challapalli road, near Yerravanthana, and asked Elisha to take away the dead cow. Elisha called his nephew Yarlagadda Yesubabu, r/o Sudhapalem village, Uppalaguptam Mandal. Yesubabu's granddaughter was not well and was admitted in Rohini Hospital, Amalapuram. Hence, he asked his uncle to take the cow to Sudhapalem Grave Yard and skin it. Elisha along with his brother Mokati Venkateswara Rao took the cow in the Tata Ace bearing number APO5TU 2282 of Savarapu Lakshmana Rao. Savarapu Prem Kumar b/o of Laxman Rao also went with them. They took the dead cow to the graveyard in Sudhapalem. They arranged lighting and were in the process of skinning the cow.

Around 9.30 pm two men on a bike came there and took photos in their mobile. They also noted the vehicle number and left. Elisha and others did not know who they were. In 20 minutes, they returned with 15 to 20 men on bikes. They rushed into the grave yard, pulled 4 of them by their collars. They started beating them and abusing in the name of caste. They said, "You sons of Madiga bitches. How dare you kill live cows? We will skin you like you skinned the cows, you sons of lower caste bitches." Elisha, Venkateshwara Rao and Lakshman Rao fell on their feet and pleaded that it is the cow of Booragayala Aravind, and it died of electric shock. They called him on their phone and gave it to the attackers. Aravind took the call and said, "Who the hell are you, you son of a bitch, to ask me". The attackers snatched their phones and threw them away.

Though the victims were pleading that they brought dead cow and are skinning it, the accused did not listen to them, beat them up, caught their collars and dragged them to the coconut trees on the bank of canal, 30 meters away from the grave yard. There, they tied them to coconut trees with ropes. They beat them with foot wear, dry coconut shells and stones. Almost 100 BC Goud and Kapu men surrounded them. 15 to 20 men beat them. They all abused them in the name of caste. They all shouted that they should kill these people who are killing cows.

One Mr Mamidipalli Narayana Murthy @ Abbulu, OC Kapu by caste abused saying, "We should kill them, sons of Madiga bitches. How many cows do you want to kill?" He encouraged the mob to kill them. He started beating Elisha with dry coconut shell on the face. Elisha's forehead started bleeding and he was grievously injured in the eye. Seeing this, and being beaten, his brother Mokati Venkateshwara Rao fell unconscious. Even then, they kept on beating him with foot wear and stones. They beat Prem Kumar and threw him in the bushes. The accused cut power supply while they were beating the victims, so that they cannot identify who beat them.

They kept beating them till 12:00 AM, i.e., continuously for 2 hours. Garisapati Venkateshwara Rao, 13th Ward Member of Sudhapalem, SC-Madiga by caste called Amalapuram Rural Police Station and informed about the incident. The police informed that Sudhapalem is under Uppalaguptam jurisdiction. As most of the police were on 'Pushkaram' duty, the police of Amalapuram Rural PS came to the spot. The police, instead of rescuing the victims, in turn accused them of killing the cow. They took the 4 victims in the same Tata Ace they brought the cow, saying that it is right treatment for them to take them in the same vehicle they used to bring the cow. The police said that as Lakshman Rao is the accused, he has no right to drive the vehicle. They asked someone else to drive and took them to Amalapuram PS. Though Laxman Rao had bleeding injury on the lips, he was put handcuffs and kept in a cell. The police did not care to take the victims to hospital. Instead, they registered a case of cow

theft and cow killing. Elisha and Venkateshwara Rao pleaded the police to take them to hospital or they would die. Police did not care. By then, Gampala Satya Prasad and Gampala Govindu, Madiga Dandora leaders of Konaseema came to the police station. They shouted at the police to take the victims to the hospital. Then the police sent them to hospital.

On the same night, in the late hours, Chittibabu, Elisha's son; Vijaya Kumar and Eeshwar, Venkateshwara Rao's sons came to police station. Police abused them and said that they are also accused and threatened that they would put them also in the cell. They made them kneel down in the police station. Gampala Satyaprasad took those three on personal surity. This whole thing in the police station was dealt cruelly by the constable Kadali Yedukondalu. Prem Kumar was still in the cell. Yedukondalu abused him in the name of caste saying, "You son of Madiga bitch, how dare you people kill live cow". He abused in filthy language. Though Prem Kumar pleaded to allow him to go for wash room, he did not allow.

On 09.08.2016, around 07:00 AM in the morning, Prashanth Kumar, SI of Allavaram started investigation. He called for Booragayala Aravind and Veeri Srinivasa Rao for enquiry. Then the facts have come out. When he called for the owners of cows who tied the victims and beat them, names of other accused have also come out. Police arrested only 7 among the 15 to 20 accused who assaulted the victims. Though, Mamidipalli Narayana Murthy @ Abbulu is the main accused, he was kept as A7 in the FIR.

Socio, Economic and Political Background:

Sudhapalem village is dominated by OC Kapu caste. Among dalits, SC-Malas are more in number than SC-Madigas. Among the Madigas in Sudhapalem, only a few of them work as skinners. The other Madigas are leading better lives. The skinners do not get better money by making footwear with leather and selling. They work as foot wear menders and it is more if they earn Rs.50 per day. As the Kapus are dominant, they often threaten Madigas and sometimes Malas.

Interventions

- Conducted fact finding
- Organized two dharnas for the arrest of accused, to suspend Constable Kadali Edukondalu and for an IO to be appointed by State Government
- Sent representations to SP, Collector, National & State Commissions

Present Status

- FIR filed with only names of 3 victims
- Accused arrested
- Immediate relief from CM fund is released and paid to victims
- First stage compensation released and paid to 3 victims

Recommendations:

- The main accused is put as A7. He should be changed to A1.
- Compensation should be given to all the victims according to SC, ST (PoA) Act
- There are 20 accused. All should be included and arrested
- Speedy investigation

***Violation of Constitutional Rights of 5 Scheduled Castes Ph. D Scholars by the
Authorities of University of Hyderabad culminating in the death of
Rohit Vemula***

A Fact-Finding Report by Dalit Sthree Sakthi

Certain abusive comments in the face book and subsequent skirmishes on 3rd and 4th August 2015 led to the expulsion of a few scheduled castes Ph.D scholars of University of Hyderabad and it was alleged that the authorities of the University of Hyderabad had taken unilateral, action on a few scholars belonging to Scheduled Castes at the behest of political pressure. Upon knowing about the incident, DSS conducted a fact finding on 7-1-2016 with 5 members. The fact finding team met all available and concerned students, examined the relevant reports of various committees and other orders passed by the University and prepared a comprehensive report on 7-1-2016. The expulsion of the S.C. scholars and further harassment of them by imposing restrictions on their movement, stoppage of scholarship, and denial of entry into hostel and mess facilities forced them to starve and stay outside the campus, in cold winter without food and shelter. The expelled scholars with the support of other dalit scholars erected a makeshift tent in the campus, named as '**velivada**', meaning the outskirts of the village where the dalits were mandated to live as untouchables. They were on a peaceful protest campaign. While so, unable to bear the pressure of harassment, humiliation by the authorities one of the scholars, Rohit Vemula, committed suicide on 17-01-2016. The news came as a thunderbolt in the state and across the country. Upon hearing the news, Dalit Sthree Sakthi rushed to the University Campus and conducted further fact finding. The following is the final report covering the entire issue and the events thereafter.

Ambedkar Students Association (ASA) is a Scheduled Caste Students Union having a strong base in University of Hyderabad since many years. On the day of the incident i.e., on 3rd August 2015, ASA has been informed that one Mr. Susheel Kumar, President of ABVP-UoH, an inmate of the University, posted defamatory and disparaging comments in the Face Book calling Ambedkar Students Association (ASA) as goons. The students of ASA being inmates in the University have asked him to remove the defamatory comments and upon their deliberation he voluntarily submitted his apology letter to ASA and handed it over to Security Officer. These deliberations took place on 3rd August and in the presence of the then duty security officer of 'C' shift of UoH, and several other students. After receiving apology letter, the students belonging to ASA left the place. Everything occurred in peaceful atmosphere and there was no complaint by Mr. Susheel Kumar or the Security Officer about any use of force or otherwise.

On early hours of 4th morning Mr. Susheel Kumar of ABVP was admitted in the hospital and lodged a police complaint stating that the SC students belonging to ASA have beaten him. All of a sudden on 4th morning the Police of Gachibowli, summoned PhD scholars D. Prasanth, Ch. Sessaiah, V Sunkanna, V Rohit and D Vijay Kumar to the Police Station and were sent back after seeking their explanation. Annoyed by the police action, ASA students met University authorities and asked them to stop the police interference without any direction from the University authorities. However, aggrieved Scheduled Caste students also complained over Mr. Susheel Kumar on 04/08/2015 at Gachibowli Police Station, but no action was taken. Meanwhile as the said SC PhD scholars were attending the police enquiry on 4th August 2015, the high ranked BJP leaders trespassed into the University and

staged a dharna demanding the University authorities to take action over ASA students. During this dharna one Mr Rama Chandar Rao BJP MLC forcibly entered into the V. C's chamber and insisted for the suspension of the ASA students. .

The University authorities sought the report of the Security officer who was physically present during the alleged incident. The said security officer fairly narrated about the said incident and affirmed that there was discussion about bad comments in face book and that Mr. Susheel Kumar initially denied that it was posted by him but later confessed and apologized. The report which is full and there was no incident of beating or use of force by ASA scholars on Mr. Susheel Kumar. Despite the clear statement, the university further constituted a committee, namely "Extended Proctorial Committee". The Extended Proctorial Board Report dated: 12/08/2015 also stated that there was no evidence of beating Mr. Susheel Kumar from any one and that it was established that Mr. Susheel Kumar posted the objectionable comments in the face book. The said committee submitted its report recommending that both the clashing parties i.e., Susheel Kumar of ABVP (for posting bad comments in the face book) and SC Ph D students (for going to Susheel Kumar room and demanding apology) should be warned.

Meanwhile, the BJP leaders including Bandaru Dattatreya, Central Minister sought the intervention of Union Government MHRD department to influence the University authorities. The minister wrote a letter to MHRD department mentioning that extremist and casteist elements have grown on the campus and specifically mentioned that Ambedkar Students Association had bet Mr. Susheel Kumar and demanded for necessary action. He complained that the University administration has become just a mute spectator, thereby implying that the University should take action on students of Ambedkar Students Association. In response to MHRD, the University authorities have ordered for continued enquiry by the proctorial committee, obviously, to revise its report and recommend action on scholars of Ambedkar Students Association. Accordingly, the continued proctorial committee gave a report desired by the authorities in which it found that Mr. Susheel Kumar was "abused, manhandled, beaten, forced to write (sic) apology letter". How the committee which affirmed that there was no assault in its earlier report now found that Mr. Susheel Kumar was assaulted? What was the new evidence? The committee states that it examined Mr. Susheel Kumar and two other witness whose names or kept confidential which led it believe that Mr. Susheel Kumar was manhandled etc. Likewise, the committee which earlier recommended for warning Mr. Susheel Kumar and the other students for their respective wrongs, now doesn't mention about the face book posting but recommends suspension of 5 scholars of Ambedkar Students Association. Just within a week of this continued enquiry report, there were suspension orders suspending 5 SC Ph D scholars. The sequence of events, the BJP leaders holding dharna against the authorities for not taking action, the minister's letter accusing the University for not taking action, the decision to continue the closed enquiry, the revised report, the recommendation to suspend and suspension, all very clearly point out that the University acted at the behest of ruling political party. This open and unabashed, illegal order for continued enquiry and suspension evoked unanimous protest from all sections of the University campus. In response to the large scale protest and also the representation of Ambedkar Students Association, the University authorities revoked suspension orders on 11-09-2015 with a condition that there shall be another enquiry and "the students should comply with the final decision taken by the University, based on the recommendation of the Committee". Accordingly, another sub-

committee of the Executive Council was constituted and the said Executive Council Sub-Committee submitted its report Dt. 24th November 2015. This Committee based its Report mainly on the basis of the records and oral narrations of a few University and police personnel, but it did not examine either Mr. Susheel Kumar or the scholars of Ambedkar Students Association. However this report also admitted that there was no physical assault on Mr. Susheel Kumar and that he got surgery for appendicitis in the hospital. This report stated that they agree with the findings of the Proctorial Board Report. This Committee did not recommend any specific action on anyone but made recommendations that the University formulate guidelines for the Security Staff for dealing with situation like this in future and also recommended that there should be a general notification inviting depositions in such incidents. There was no recommendation to punish anyone.

Despite no findings on guilt of any scholar of Ambedkar Students Association University passed orders, dated 16-12-2015, expelling 5 students of Scheduled Castes from entering the hostels till the completion of their course and also prohibited them from entering *administration building*, and *other common places* on the campus.

The order issued at the time of revocation of suspension clearly stated that “the students should comply with the final decision taken by the University, *based on the recommendation of the Committee*”. The question remains how the University can take action of expulsion when there was no recommendation to take action by the Committee. Also, the expulsion order is one sided in as much as there is no action on Mr. Susheel Kumar for the defamatory comments posted in the face book. This Committee report is vague and is not clear. However, it did not find that Mr. Susheel Kumar was manhandled or beaten and on the other hand it suggested that he joined hospital for appendicitis surgery. Further, the constitution of this Executive Council Sub-committee is technically problematic as one of the co-opted member in the Executive Council is from the accused party in this case. The co-opted member in the Executive Council is the Dean of Students' Welfare who has been accused in the Write Petition filed in the High Court. This Committee did not seek the appearance of SC students to give their depositions and they were not even aware of the constitution of such committee. It is obvious that the University constituted this committee with an *a priori* decision to take some action or other on the Scheduled Caste students. It is not only strange, but also pertinent that the order prohibiting the scheduled caste students from entering *administration building*, and *other common places* on the campus, smacks of untouchability. This order is clearly violation of Article 15 of the Constitution apart from Art.14, 21.

As such, such kind of enquiry made with several lapses is highly objectionable and its report is entirely unfounded, without evidence and is against all principles of natural justice. It is not out of context to point out that the University of Hyderabad known for its discriminatory practices in the wake of suicide of Madari Venkatesh, a Ph.D Scholar. In this case, out of 5 Scheduled Caste Research Scholars, four are children of agricultural laborers, while one has no parents and is about to submit his Ph.D thesis.

The present VC with Brahminical ideology was recently appointed. 12 years ago during his tenure as Chief Warden he was instrumental in rusticating 10 SC students. The underneath forces taking advantage of the present situation, used the present VC to take an unilateral decision in suspending 5 SC Ph. D Scholars.

The above incidents of malicious, targeted attack on the vocal dalit scholars made them to continue their peaceful protest. By imposing boycott, expulsion and restriction on movements, humiliated them so much that they embarked upon a peaceful path of protest in 'velivada', the place where dalits are forced to live for reasons of untouchability. In such a humiliating circumstances, of preventing to enter the hostel and the administrative block by University authorities, the scholars who hail from very low income families, had to stay in the makeshift tent in cold winter. This brought so much pressure on the young scholars that one of them Rohit Vemula ended his life on 17-01-2016 by hanging himself leaving a suicide note. This news traumatized every right thinking person across the country. The dalits and all democratic forces across the country were shocked and rushed to the campus to condole the death of Rohit Vemula and express solidarity with the agitating students.

Dalit Sthree Sakthi rushed to the campus on 17-01-2016 itself and gathered all the facts leading to the suicide of Rohit Vemula. Dalit Sthree Sakthi holds, the University Vice-Chancellor, the BJP ministers as squarely responsible for the death of a promising young research scholar. It is they with their vindictive measure erased all hope in the scholar and drove him to end life. The authorities of the university with the help of police and government, disposed of the dead body and got it cremated without handing over the body to his mother, Radhika Vemula.

The suicide of Rohit sent tremors across the country and on the basis of the complaint by the scholars a case under SC, ST Atrocities Act was registered on the Vice-Chancellor, the BJP Minister Bandaru Dattatreya and others. Within a short time, the accused started diverting the attention of the issue by raking up the caste origin of Rohit Vemula, saying that he belongs to 'vaddera', a backward caste. This is a deliberate ploy by the accused to escape from the stringent SC, ST Atrocities Act. Though, Radhika, (Rohit's Mother) was married to a person of Vaddera caste, he abandoned her and the children. As such Radhika Vemula who is SC brought the children on her own in extreme poverty and difficult circumstances. Rohit Vemula was discriminated as he claimed to be scheduled caste and he is a staunch Ambedkarite. The apex court and various courts have decided, that in cases where the children are brought up by the Scheduled Caste mother, such children should be treated as scheduled caste only and not the caste of the father who abandoned them. On this basis, the issue of the caste of Rohit Vemula was settled and the Guntur district authorities issued scheduled caste certificate to Rohit Vemula. Despite this, the powers that be ordered for another enquiry into the caste of Rohit Vemula and again, the District Collector and Magistrate of Guntur district confirmed that Rohit Vemula belongs to scheduled caste. The accused mobilized the higher ups at the union government level and appointed another enquiry into the caste of Rohit Vemula, this time an officer who acts according to their tunes and got a report that Rohit Vemula belongs to 'vaddera' caste. Thus in a dubious way a favorable officer was appointed to give a different finding to bail out the accused from being prosecuted under the Scheduled Castes Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act. This entire process smacked of vulgar manipulation and subversion of the law and institutions.

One year lapsed after the death of Rohit Vemula and still justice eludes. Rohit's mother Radhika Vemula is still running from pillar to post asking the single question "I only want to know what happened to my son," which is not answered by anyone. She is being mentally tortured and harassed by raising questions about her caste, Rohit's caste.

A series of interventions by DSS on the incident of Rohit Vemula:

Candle Light Vigil

DSS in association with Help Desk organized a Candle Light vigil at Panjagutta Centre, Hyderabad on **18th January** night. About 100 people belonging to various organizations have stood silently with candles, play cards and flex banners. The play cards and flex banners consisted of the demand for the arrest of central ministers Bandaru Dattatreya, Smruti Irani, HCU VC Apparao, Shusheel Kumar and to provide conducive environment to the dalit students in universities.

Round Table Conference

SC Welfare Associations have formed a Joint Action Committee (JAC) to fight for justice of Rohit. On **20th January 2016** JAC has organized Round Table Conference in Shanthi Chakra International Office at Lakidikapul, Hyderabad to chalk out road map for the HCU incident in light of the suicide of Rohit. After elaborate discussions by the leaders it was decided to organize silent protest with black badges on 26th January i.e., on Republic Day, campaign against the attitude of RSS & BJP, demand for the arrest of Union Ministers Bandaru Dattatreya & Smrithi Irani, HCU Vice Chancellor Appa Rao. DSS team members participated in the meeting and expressed their solidarity.

Dharna Condemning the Death of Rohit Vemula

Various dalit and leftist organizations including DSS have staged Dharna (Public Action) at Gadiyara Sthambham Centre, Amalapuram on **23rd January** and in front of SKBR College, Amalapuram on **30th January 2016**, condemning the abetment to suicide of Rohit Vemula in HCU. The leaders have demanded for the arrest of Vice Chancellor Appa Rao, Central ministers Bandaru Dattatreya and Smruti Irani. They demanded for immediate necessary action to ensure peace in the university and protection to the lives of SC, ST students. Addressing the gathering, K Rajamani DSS State Coordinator of AP has detailed about the ongoing violations in the universities and interventions of DSS. The other leaders in the dharna were A Ravi from HRF, P Sudheer from RPI, Sarojini and Saka Rajarao from DBSU, Pothula Subhash Chandra Bose, Jai Bheem Yuvasena, Nalla Chandrasekhar & Nathi Srinivas of Malamahanadu, Undru Babji from Welfare Organization of Unemployed Youth..

Press meet

A press meet was conducted on **January 28th** at Press Club, Basheerbagh under the auspicious of various organizations. It was demanded by all for a judicial enquiry by a sitting judge on the death of Rohit Vemula. All organizations demanded for stringent punishment of the culprits in the incident. All India Dalit Rights Federation National Convener K Ananda Rao, Dalit Sthree Sakthi National Convener Jhansi Geddiam, Vimal Thorat, Beena Pallical from NCDHR, and others participated.

RTC in Osmania University

A Round Table Conference was conducted on **January 28th** in ICSSR Conference Hall of Library building of Osmania University in which the OU JAC for social justice and various dalit organizations participated. The participants are All India Dalit Rights Federation National Convener K Ananda Rao, Dalit Sthree Sakthi National Convener Jhansi Geddiam, Vimal Thorat and Beena Pallical from NCDHR and various student organizations. Jhansi Geddiam spoke about the people's movement against the death of Rohit Vemula. She pointed out that this movement is a fight between religious castiest forces and progressive forces. She further said that the ruling classes are trying to brand the dalits and

depressed classes as anti-nationals. She ridiculed that those who are selling away the country are calling themselves as nationalists.

RTC on Condemning the Death of Rohit Vemula

Indian Labor Party (Ambedkar Phule) has organized a Round Table Conference on **30th January 2016** at the conference hall of 4th class employees' in Zilla Parishad of Guntur. The conference was presided over by Dr Maddu Ankaiah. He said that state and central governments are intentionally harassing the SC ST students in universities and the incident of Rohit Vemula is one of such kinds. The governments have failed in providing scholarships and other benefits to the students and Rohit Vemula has also not received scholarship for 6 months. Rohit was also discriminated on caste basis and was unnecessarily suspended. All these leads to the suicide of Rohit. Vijaya Kumari Coordinator of DSS, Guntur has shared her concerns during her visit to Velivada in HCU. She said that by looking at the agitating students in the university we can clearly understand that they are in a very vulnerable and pitiable situation. Therefore, the concerned authorities need to act upon immediately, take necessary action and ensure safety and hassle free education to the students in the universities.

Press Meet on Rohit Caste Dispute

Anveshi and various women organizations conducted a Press meet on **25 April 2016** at Sundaraiah Vignana Kendram, Hyderabad. The intention of the press meet was to address the attitude of the Telangana police as they filed an affidavit in the court stating that Rohit Vemula belongs to BC Vaddera. The leaders clarified as per the rules and regulations stating that it's a sensitive issue, whereas the governments have been harassing the family members of Rohit Vemula and dragging his mother into controversy of caste to deviate the situation and protect the perpetrators. The governments instead of addressing the issues of the students are unnecessarily lingering around the caste issue which is not a matter at all. Jhansi Geddani from DSS stated that the Supreme Court has given a judgement in the case of inter caste marriage a child can adopt mother's caste and the issue is same with Rohit. She also stated various other Rules in support of the claim made by Rohit's mother Radhika. Therefore, it is immoral on part of the Telangana Police to file an affidavit stating that Rohit belongs to BC Vaddera. The other leaders were Sunitha from Anveshi, Satyavathi from Bhoomika, Sandhya from POW, Sajaya from CCC, Ashalatha from RSV, Gogu Shyamala writer and Professors from HCU have attended.

RTC on Rohit Vemula incident at AP Bhavan New Delhi

AIDRF, NCDHR, NDMJ, DSS and other likeminded organizations have conducted a Round Table Conference at AP Bhavan New Delhi. Daniel Vijaya Prakash Programme manager of DSS has briefed the media on the incident and put forth the findings. N.P. Diwakar, Ramesh Nadhan and Anand Rao detailed about the demands and future course of action. Prakash detailed about the various incidents of abetment to suicide in the UoH such as Madiri Venkatesh, etc. prior to Rohit Vemula. The UoH authorities are tuned to do so and the atmosphere in the university is for worst than the village reflecting casteist and landlord culture.

DSS Team addressing Velivada 5 days before the death of Rohit Vemula in UoH



National Convener of DSS Briefing to K. Kavitha, MP on the UoH incident before the death of Rohit



DSS team at Rohit Vemula's Coffin



National Convener of DSS addressing the students on the night of Rohit's death.



Jhansi addressing the Media after moveing the dead body of Rohit for Post Mortem



Continuous Agitation in various forms on UoH Incident



Addressing the Officers Forum and handing over Amount to Rohit Vemula's mother on behalf of Officers Forum



Monitoring and Ensuring Accountability

Vigilance and Monitoring committees constituted under the SC & ST (PoA) Act are supposed to play a very important role in the implementation of the Act and see that the police and concerned departments discharge their role in investigation, prosecution, payment of compensation etc. However, due to lack of serious commitment on the part of the Government these committees are either not constituted or non-functional. DSS has always been pursuing with the government to see that these committees are constituted and function effectively. In the districts where these committees are functioning, DSS invariably participates in the meetings to discuss the situation of pending arrests, prosecutions and compensation payments. The participation and pointing out the pending issues in this committee meetings helps in hastening the resolution of pending issues. DSS was able to see that in many cases, culprits were arrested, charge sheets filed and compensation paid to the victims. Given below is the brief report of DSS participation in the said committees.

Participation in Vigilance and Monitoring Committee Meetings:

The District Vigilance and Monitoring Committee Meeting (DVMC) of Ranga Reddy District was held on 22nd February '16. National Program Manager & State Coordinator of Telangana raised the incident of mass attack on Vijaya Krishna & his father and brought to the notice of Collector on the willful negligence of the police and non-inclusion of SC,ST (PoA) Act. He requested the Collector to ensure necessary information from the Cyberabad Police before discussing on the incident. Later DSS team raised various violations in the cases, stressed for immediate payment of compensation in abetment to suicide incident of Renuka, as NHRC has ordered for payment in April 2015. The Collector instructed concerned officials for immediate payment of compensation and rehabilitation. After hearing the arguments of DSS team on the incident of Vijaya Krishna, the Collector ordered for special enquiry in the incident and instructed the Commissioner of Police-Cyberabad for necessary action. ***Later in the incident of Vijaya Krishna SC, ST (PoA) Act was included and an Investigating Officer was appointed and compensation was released in Renuka's case.***

In the DVMC Meeting of Hyderabad held on 13th July 2016, National Program Manager and State Coordinator of Telangana raised specific gaps in the cases and ensured that necessary orders were issued by the Collector and assurance given by the Addl. DCP-Crimes for immediate action. Later DSS team briefed the Collector on the Amendments and requested him to evolve procedures accordingly as many new aspects have come in. Detailing on the direct cognizance by special courts, the program manager said that the IOs are supposed to file the charge sheet directly in the special courts and as the courts are not accepting, we need to get the directions from the registrar of high court. Similarly, the enhanced compensation has to be paid to the victims, ensure that immediate relief is paid and the discharge of duties by PCR Cell as per the Act. DSS team requested the Collector to send written requisitions and the Collector dictated the letters to the Registrar of High Court, Commissioner of Police, Addl. DGP-CID and Chief Secretary. Similarly, in Bhoodevi's case the Collector ordered for joining the victim in residential school.

Further, DSS follows up the orders with the concerned departments to ensure proper and immediate implementation.

**MINUTES ON DISTRICT LEVEL VIGILANCE AND MONITORING COMMITTEE
FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PCR/POA ACT ON SCs/STs MEETING HELD ON
22.02.2016 AT 2.30 P.M. AT TRAINING AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT
CENTRE, CHILKUR, RANGAREDDY DIST.**

PRESENT : SRI M. RAGHUNANDAN RAO, I.A.S.,

Rc.No.B2/ 357/2015.

Dated :- 16 -3-2016

The Dist. Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee Meeting was conducted at Training & Technology Development Centre at Chilkur, Rangareddy Dist. under the Chairmanship of the Dist. Collector on 22-02-2016 at 2.30 p.m. The following members and other officials have attended the Meeting.

Sl. No.	Name of the Member	Designation	
1	Sri M.Raghunandan Rao, I.A.S.	Dist. Collector & Magistrate	Chairman
2	Sri M.Sudheer Reddy	Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly, Medchal Constituency, R.R.Dist.	Member
3	Sri T.Ram Mohan Reddy	Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly, Pargi Constituency R.R.Dist.	"
4	Sri K.Yadaiah	Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly, Chevella Constituency R.R.Dist.	"
5	Sri B.Sasnjeev Rao	Hon'ble Member of Legislative Assembly, Vikarabad Constituency	"
6	Smt. Rema Rajeshwari, IPS.,	Superintendent of Police, R.R.Dist.	"
7	Kum. Shruti Ojha, IAS.,	Sub-Collector, Vikarabad	"
8	Sri K.Chandra Mohan	RDO Chevella	"
9	Sri J.Sudhakar Rao,	R.D.O. Saroornagar	"
10	Sri S.Varun Kumar	Non-official member from SC/STs categories	"
11	Sri. B.Venkaateshwar Rao	Non-official members from SC/ST categories	"
12	Smt. B.Bhagyalaxmi,	Dalitha Stree Shakthi	"
13	Sri GDV Prakash	Dalitha Stree Shakthi	"
14	Sri R.Subba Rao	IAS, Retd. Office on Special Duty , SC/ST Commissioner, R.R.Dist.	Spl. Invitee
15	Dr. B.Naveenkumar, IPS.,	Dy. Commissioner of Police, Cyberabad, R.R.Dist.	Member
16	Sri N. Bhujangarao	ACP Kukatpally	"
17	Sri Syed Rafeeq	ACP Alwal	"
18	Sri B.Bhaskar	ACP, Vanasthalipuram	"
19	Sri T.Swamy	SDPO, Vikarabad	"
20	Sri P.Narayana	ACP, Ibrahimpatnam	"
21	Sri N.Narsimha Reddy	ACP, Balanagar	"

22	Sri A.V.Rangareddy	SDPO, Chevella	"
23	Dr. B.Anuradha	ACP Shamshabad	"
24	Sri S.Ashok Kumar	ACP, Petbasheerabad	"
25	Sri M.Ravi Chandra Reddy	ACP, Malkajgiri	"
26	Sri M.Ramana Kumar	ACP, Madapur	"
27	Sri K.Gangareddy	ACP, Rajendranagar	"
28	Sri P.Venugopal Rao	ACP LB Nagar	"
29	Smt. Chandana Deepti	ASP, Tandur	"
30	Sri G.V.Rama Krishna Rao	APP/PCR, Court,R.R.Dist.	"
31	Sri A.Shankar	Addl.P.P.	"
32	Sri K.Chandra Reddy	E.D. SC.SC Coop.Ltd., R.R.Dist.	"
33	Sri PC Venkatesh	Addl. DPRO	"
34	Sri A.Shankar	Addl.P.P.	"

NO.OF CASES REFERRED, DISPOSED AND PENDING FROM 01.01.2015 TO 31.12.2015

Division	Brought Forward upto 31.12.2014	No. of Cases registered from 01-01-2015 TO 31-12-2015	01-01-2015 TO 31-12-2015		
			Total Cases Regd.	No. Disposed	No. Pending (31-12-2015)
2		3	5	6	7
Cyberabad	189	258	447	300	147
TOTAL	189	258	447	300	147
Vikarabad	10	16	26	15	11
Tandur	09	20	29	9	20
Chevella	23	15	38	23	15
TOTAL	42	51	93	47	46
G TOTAL	231	309	540	347	193

At the outset, the Dist. Collector and Chairman of the District Vigilance and Monitoring Committee welcomed the members and all other officers to the meeting.

The Dist. Collector informed that it was proposed to convene the Dist. Vigilance and Monitoring Committee meeting much earlier but due to MLC and GHMC Election and Model Code of Conduct which was in force the meeting could not be conducted earlier. The present meeting is conducted to review the status of cases registered and pending for the period from 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015.

5. He observed that only one or two Tahsildars are Conducting the "Civil Rights Day" and suggested that all Tahsildars, Police and Other officials should conduct Civil Rights day by on 30th of every month.

Finally the District Collector concluded the meeting stating that, the next meeting for the period of January, 2016 to March, 2016 will be conducted in the month April, 2016.

Sd/-
DISTRICT COLLECTOR/CHAIRMAN
DISTRICT VIGILANCE & MONITORING
COMMITTEE,RANGAREDDY DIST.

To,
All the concerned.2

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JOINT DIRECTOR (SCDD)
RANGAREDDY DIST.

3. The DSP, Chevella has explained that in Cr.No. 117/2014 dt.23.8.14 accused has been arrested. DNA report is received on 17.2.2016. A2 is also booked and within 2 days charge sheet will be filed. In C.No. 21/2013 dt.10.4.2013 opinion of PP was sought and after receipt of the opinion from action will be taken. In C.No. 98/2013 dt.23.8.13 the case will be closed by this month end.

(ACTION TO BE TAKEN :BY SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
RANGAREDDY/DSPs)

Sri G.D.V. Prakash of Dalith Streee Shakti has made the following observations / suggestions.

1. In Cr.No. 920/2015 the case has not been booked under SC/ST Act at Jeedimetla PS of Balnagar Division and requested to book the case under SC/ST act.
2. To implement the newly amended SC/ST Act in the district.
3. In Cr.No. 160/2010 the compensation was not received. The JD(SCDD) , Rangareddy Dist., informed that file for payment of compensation is under circulation for approval by Collector.
4. C2 section of Collectorate to speed up the sanction of compensation to the victims
5. Most of the Investigation Officers booked cases under SC/ST Act at the time of FIR and while filling of charge sheet they removed the SC/ST Act, hence, most of the cases do not stand in High Court and requested all the Investigation Officers to take necessary action as per SC/ST Act .
6. Awareness programme should be conducted to all Investigation Officers the implement SC/ST Act newly amended by Parliament.
7. In Cr.No. 211/2010 dt.22.4.2010 the victim was murdered and her brothers were also victims and therefore, requested to provide job to any one of the brothers of the deceased.
8. The negligence of Hostel Welfare Officer of Govt.SC Boys Hostel, Siripura resulted in a boarder losing his eye, but the concerned authority has not filed case and he is working in the same place and requested to take action against HWO. The JD(SCDD) informed that the HWO was placed under suspension and he is not working in the same place. The District Collector instructed that the JD(SCDD) to circulate the file for booking case against the HWO.
9. To Issue orders for reopening of Cr.No.192/2010 of Chevella Division

(ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY CP, CYBERABAD, SP RANGAREDDY, DISTRICT
COLLECTOR AND JOINT DIRECTOR SCDD AND DRO)

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DIST. LEVEL VIGILANCE AND MONITORING
COMMITTEE HYDERABAD HELD ON 13-07-2016 AT 03:00 P.M IN THE
COLLECTORATE MEETING HALL, HYDERABAD - DISTRICT.**

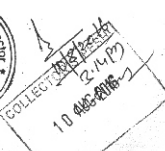
PROCEEDINGS
PRESENT: SRI RAHUL BOJJA, I.A.S.,
DIST.COLLECTOR & CHAIRMAN
DISTRICT VIGILANCE AND MONITORING COMMITTEE

Re.No.C6/1340/2007

Dt:14-07-2016.

The District Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee meeting convened on 13-07-2016 at 03:00 p.m in the Collectorate meeting hall under the Chairmanship of District Collector. The Following Officers are present.

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| 1. Sri. Rahul Bojja, I.A.S. | Dist. Collector/Chairman. |
| 2. Sri.V.Ashok Kumar | Addl Joint Collector, Hyd (FAC) |
| 3. Sri. Rajan Ratan Kumar | Addl Deputy Commissioner of Police. |
| 4. Sri. D. Harimanthu Naik | Deputy Director,(SCDD),/E.D.S.C.S. |
| 5. Smt. Rama Devi | Dist. Tribal Welfare Officer, Hyd. |
| 6. Sri. M. Prem Kumar | Member, (DV & MC). |
| 7. Sri. K. Yadagiri | Member, (DV & MC). |
| 8. Sri. R. Anjaliah Naik | Member, (DV & MC). |
| 9. Sri. G.D.V Prakash | Member, Dalith Streee Shakti |
| 10. Smt. B. Bhaghya Lakshmi | Member, Dalith Streee Shakti |
| 11. Smt. P. Asritha | P. D. Women & Child Dev Agency, |
| 12. Smt. Rama Devi | Assistant Director, I & P. R. |
| 13. Kum. K. Nikila | R.D.O., Hyderabad. |
| 14. Sri. Raghuram Sharma | R.D.O., Secunderbad. |
| 15. Sri.Aila Komarajah | Legal Advisor,(PCR&POA)(Out Sourcing). |
| 16. Asst Commissioner of Police | Begumpet, Malaspet, Asif Nagar, |
| | Chikadpally, Banjara Hills, Charminar, |
| | Sanifabad, Gopalpurem, Mahankali, |
| | Santosh Nagar, Abide, Sultan Bazar. |
| | Inspector of Police, Nallakunta, Hyd. |
| | Amberpet, Khairthabad, Himayath |
| | Nagar, Bahadurpura, Asif Nagar, |
| | Bandlaguda, Shaikpet, Charminar, |
| 17. V. Yadagiri Reddy | |
| 18. Tahsildars of | |



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Sri. Vijay Prakash member has stated that the Police persons what mechanism has been followed while registering the cases of SC/ST Atrocity.

The District Collector/Chairman has discussed with the Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police and see that the cases registered immediately action may be taken as per the procedure.

(Action: All Assistant Commissioner of Police).

Sri. Vijay Prakash, Member has stated that the Crime No. 402/2016 filed U/s 323, 324, 354-D, 509-IPC and Sec. 3(1) (v) (ii) and Sec. 3 (2) (va) of SCs/STs (POA). While registering the case there is a abnormal delay in registering the case when they approached the Police then they have taken action register the case.

The Assistant Commissioner of Police Chikadpally has replied the committee that they have registered the case after receiving the complaint from the victim the case was registered and the prime accused was arrested and another was under identifying. Further the investigation has been completed Now they are going to file the charge sheet.

(Action: Asst. Commissioner of Police, Chikadpally).

The District Collector/Chairman has asked Police authorities about review taken up by on the cases filed under SC/ST Atrocities.

In this regard the Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police has replied that the cases will be reviewed every month with all the Assistant Commissioner of Police, in the District and suitable instructions will be issued when ever found delay in processing the cases.

(Action: Addl Deputy Commissioner of Police CCS)

Sri. Sri. Vijay Prakash, member has stated that the Crime No.235/14 filed U/s 506 IPC and Sec 3(1) (v) (xv) of SC's/ST's (POA) Act, in this case there is High Court stay since long time. When there are clear instructions from the Govt, to take action to file counter to vacate the stay within three months. But the police authorities are making abnormal delay and not perusing for which the accused is enjoying without arrest.

In this regard the District Collector/Chairman has requested the Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police, to separate the cases which are long pending before the Hon'ble courts with stay orders and address a letter to the Registrar of Hon'ble

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High court in this regard, and see that the stay may be vacated and further action should be taken to speedy list out and dispose the cases.

(Action: Assistant Commissioner of Police -

Pd (CCP). The District Collector/Chairman has also sought clarification from the Legal Advisor that who is responsible for the pendency of High Court stay.

In this regard the Legal Advisor has informed that the stay in the Hon'ble Courts should be vacated by the concerned Assistant Commissioner of Police by filing counter affidavit and come forward, speedy disposal of the bench the Police Officers need to peruse the cases.

The District Collector has requested the Assistant Commissioner of Police; to list out the cases and stages of the cases on priority wise to get a good result.

(Action: All Asst Commissioner Police)

Sri. Vijay Prakash, member, has pointed out that the word of "no delay" was mentioned in the booklet information against the cases at col.No10 and he asked the meaning of no delay.

In the regard the Dy. Commissioner of Police, has replied that the case is under investigation the action required in the cases are promptly taking.

(Action: Police Department).

The Prem kumar member has pointed out the Crime No. 293/14 U/s 366, 449, 420, 506 IPC & Sec (1) (x) of SC/ST of (POA) Act -1989 of P.S. Kachiguda stated that the accused was not arrested till now.

In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police Kachiguda has replied that the accused has been absconding unable to trace out since the crime occurred and they are under investigation and shortly the accused will be arrested.

The District Collector has questioned the Police that what is the procedure for tracing the accused in the cases of accused absconding and also directed to get detailed enquiry and come with detailed report for the next meeting.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Kachiguda).

Sri. P. Prem Kumar member has pointed that the Cr No. 314/15 U/s 417, 420, 506 IPC 3 (1) (ix) of SC/ST POA Act-1989 of P.S. Kachiguda filed on 6-11-2015 but till date no action was taken.

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In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police Kachiguda has explained that the case was referred to the Public Prosecutor for legal opinion action will be taken.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Kachiguda).

Sri. Prem Kumar has pointed out the Crime No. 304/15 U/s 363, 376 (2) (i) IPC, Sec 67 w/4 POCSO Act - 2012 & Sec 3(1) (x) of SC/ST (POA) Act - 1989 & Sec 4 of Child Marriage Restraint Act - 1929 of P.S. Kachiguda and stated that the case was not moving forward and the police authorities are seeking the FSL & potency test report whether it is necessary and when the action will be taken.

In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police Kachiguda stated that in this case the FSL & Potency report are required and the test will be done twice in the Month with a group of Doctors due to this there is a delay in the reports and it is taking 4 to 5 months to get the reports. Further the Assistant Commissioner of Police Kachiguda reported that action will be taken soon after receipt of the FSL & Potency report.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Kachiguda).

Sri. Vijay Prakash, member has pointed out the Crime. No. 154/2015 U/s 376 2 (i), 420 IPC, Sec: 5 r/w 6 POCSO Act, Sec: 3 (i) (x), 3 (ii) (v) SC & ST (POA) Act of Karkhana PS and stated that the relief has been paid and the rehabilitation measures was not taken-up till to -date.

In this regard the Project Director, Women and Child Development Agency has stated that the immediate relief was paid to them and in regarding to providing of rehabilitation she stated that the child Kum.Bhudevi is not interested to stay in the Kum.Bhudevi child home.

The Dist. Collector Hyderabad directed the Dy. Director (SCDD) Hyderabad to contact with the Secretary TS SCDD REIS Hyderabad and to provide admission to Kum. Bhudevi in any Residential school.

(Action: Project Director, PDW & CW & A.C.P, Kachiguda).

Sri. Prem Kumar has pointed out the Crime. No. 91/16 U/s 3(1) (x) of SC-ST POA Act-1989, Sec 506, 354 IPC & Sec 67 IT Act of P.S. Nallakunta till now no action has not been taken.

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In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police Chikadpally has stated that the case has been referred opinion of the Public Prosecutor and action will be taken after receipt of the opinion.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Chikadpally).

Sri. Prem Kumar, Member has pointed out the Crime. No. 91/16 U/s 3(1) (x) of SC-ST POA Act-1989, Sec 506, 354 IPC & Sec 67 IT Act of P.S. Nallakunta and he stated that the action has not taken in this case.

In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police Kachiguda has stated that the persons were met in Skype and the Hard Disk has been sent for recovery of data from the Cyber Police soon after receipt of the report the action will be taken.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Kachiguda).

Sri. Vijay Prakash, Member has stated that the Station House Officers are filing the cases under Section 3(1)(X) for every case without mentioning the suitable sections, and he suggested that the case should be filed by mentioning the suitable sections as per the cases of action at scene of offence on examining the incident occurred in the cases.

The District Collector has requested the Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police, to rectify the sections attracted in the cases and modify if necessary.

In this regard the Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police has assured that all the cases will be reviewed and modified the sections where ever modifications are required.

(Action: All Asst Commissioner of Police).

Sri. Prem Kumar, Member has pointed out the Crime.No. 163/2015, U/s Sec. 3 (i)(X) SC/ST (POA) Act-1989 & Sec.448, 504, 427 r/w 34 IPC of Mahankali PS and he stated that the Student the accused has not punished till now, and requested the police officials to investigate and punish the accused immediately.

The Commissioner of Police, Mahankali has replied that in this case A-2 was arrested on 29-10-2015 and sent for judicial remand. The remaining accused got stay from the Hon'ble High Court and it is under UI.

In this regard the District Collector has requested the Assistant Commissioner of Police, Mahankali to investigate and sent the report immediately.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Mahankali).

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Sri. Vijay Prakash, Member, has pointed out the Crime. No. Cr. No 374/2012 U/S 3(1) of SCs/STs P.O.A Act, 506 r/w 34 IPC of P.S. Hussainalam and stated that action has not been taken against the accused.

In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police Charaminar has stated that both the accused and the victims claiming that they are belong to S.C. Hence a letter was addressed to District Collector, for clarification. Report is waited.

The District Collector stated that it is a sensitive issue and a letter was addressed to Higher Authorities for clarification.

Sri. Vijay Prakash, member, has informed that in Andhra Pradesh there is a Special Deputy Commissioner of Police to look after the cases of PCR & POA Act but there is no such sanctions.

In this regard the District Collector has informed that a clarification must be sought from the Higher Authorities whether it is possible or not.

(Action: Dy. Director, SCDD, Hyd).

Sri. Prem Kumar, Member has pointed out that the Crime. No. 218/16 U/s 323, 148 r/w 149 IPC & Sec 3 (1) (x) of SC/ST (POA) Act-1989 of P.S. Kachiguda and requested to do justice to the victim.

In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police Kachiguda has stated that the investigation is under process and the counter file also filed.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Kachiguda).

Sri. Vijay Prakash, member, has pointed out the Crime.No. 170/2016 323,506 IPC & Sec. 3 (1)(x) of SC/STs (POA) Act. 1989 and requested the Assistant Commissioner of Police about the case.

In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police Abids Zone has stated that the file sent to the Public Prosecutor, for legal advice.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Abids).

Sri. Vijay member, has pointed out the Crime. No. 3/2014 U/S 3 (1) (x) of SC/ST (POA) Act, 1989 & 506 r/w 34 IPC due to delay action of Saidabad PS and stated that the accused has not punished till now.

In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police Malakpet has stated that the investigation has been completed and the file has been sent to the Public Prosecutor, for opinion.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Malakpet).

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(Action: Dy. Director, (SCDD, Hyd).

Sri. Prem Kumar, has stated that in the Residential Hostel the Students are suffered from food poison and requested enquire in this matter.

The District Collector has instructed to obtain complete information from the Residential Hostel Principal TS SCDD Residential school Mahendara hills.

(Action: Dy. Director, SCDD, Hyd).

Sri. R. Anjaiah Naidu, Member has informed that the Hostels of Tribal Welfare are in worst condition, and requested the District Tribal Welfare Officer, to instruct the Hostel Welfare Officers to maintain in good condition and in regard to the health checkup of the Children requested to checkup the children once in a Month.

In this regard the District Collector has instructed the District Tribal Welfare Officer to take necessary action and submit the report of the Tribal Welfare Hostels. Further the Dist. Collector Hyderabad has directed to appoint Special officers for each Hostels both the SC/ST/Disabled Welfare Officers and the Action is under process.

(Action: Revenue Officials & other Dist Officers).

Sri. Vijay Prakash, Programme Manager, has informed that in Hyderabad Public School (29) Students has been detained and the Scholarship for the Students is sanctioned from Scheduled Caste Development Department with huge expenses and requested to enquire into the matter in detail.

In this regard the District Collector, has desired to conduct enquiry in Hyderabad Public School about the (29) Students detained.

(Action: Dy. Director, SCDD, Hyd).

IMPORTANT POINTS DISCUSSED IN THE MEETING.

1. The District Collector has informed that there is no limit for admission of the child of the Victims of Atrocities for the admissions into Hostels.
2. The District Collector, issued instructions to all Tahsildars to issue Caste certificates where ever required by the victims without any delay.
3. The District Collector has requested all the Assistant Commissioner of Police, to complete the investigation from time to time without any

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Sri. Vijay Prakash, Member, has pointed out the Crime. No. 121/2016 Sec. 4 of SC, ST (POA) Act 1989 and requested to complete the investigation and the accused punish to help the victim there on.

In this regard the Assistant Commissioner of Police has stated that the investigation is under process and it will be completed as soon as possible.

The District Collector has addressed all the congregation that the cases should be prioritize and the spirit of the Act is needed.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Abids).

Sri. Vijay Prakash, Member, has stated the Public Prosecutor's are only meant for Special Sessions Courts for SC's and ST's but all the Public Prosecutors who are in the Special Sessions Courts are handling additional charges of another Courts.

In this regard the District Collector, has instructed to address a letter to the Hon'ble High Court, Registrar for a Special Public Prosecutor for SC's and ST's only.

(Action: Dy. Director, SCDD, Hyd).

Sri. Prem Kumar, Member has pointed out a Crime. No. 88/2016 u/s Sec 3(1) (X) of POA SC & ST Act 1989 of Begumpet PS and requested to justify the victim.

In this regard the District Collector has instructed the concerned Assistant Commissioner of Police to speed up the case and rehabilitate the victim as soon as possible.

(Action: Asst Commissioner of Police, Begumpet).

Sri. Yadagiri, Member has stated the graveyard at banjarahills are going to give private persons for which the people who are depend on the graveyard will suffer lot to get livelihood and requested to not to give to the Private persons, and he also requested to rehabilitate the persons who are working in the Graveyards.

The Collector informed to the committee that the process of working in the grave yards to be stop by the Community people is not encouraged able. They have to motivate to work other fields also. Further the Dist. Collector has requested to list out the persons who are working in the grave yards.

Sri. Vijay Prakash, Programme Manager, has requested to implement the enhanced rehabilitation to the victims of Atrocities.

The Dist. Collector has directed the Dy. Director (SCDD) Hyderabad to obtain the orders if any issued by the Government to implement.

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delay and sent the reports to the District Collector for further process.

4. The District Collector has requested to inform to the P.C.R Cell for the next meeting to attend.
5. Sri. Vijay Prakash, Programme Manager, has informed that in Hyderabad Public School (29) Students has been detained and the Scholarship for the Students is sanctioned from Scheduled Caste Development Department with huge expenses and requested to enquire into the matter in detail.
6. The District Collector has requested to include all the PCR & POA Act cases registered in National Crime Records Bureau.

Deputy Director, (SCDD),

District Collector. 2/2

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Dalit women transforming as job givers

Dalit Women Economic Empowerment

Economic empowerment to say in simple terms means economic independence and empowerment. In other words, it means the participation of women economic activities, market, and claim their share in productive resources. Of course, economic empowerment cannot be visualized in isolation from social and political empowerment as they are all intertwined.

It is a stark reality that gender bias and discrimination against women is still prevalent and is affecting the intellectual and emotional growth of significant percentage of population in our country. This reality of oppression and domestic violence is more pronounced among the dalit women. Dalit women are mostly deprived, socially excluded, illiterate without any property. In rural areas, they are landless labourers. Due to lack of regular and guaranteed work in the rural areas, now most of the dalit families are migrating to nearby or far off urban centres in search of work and reasonable wages. But in urban areas they are mostly absorbed into unorganized sector, as domestic servants, construction workers, watchman, workers in restaurants etc. Due to illiteracy and lack of skills they are forced to engage in traditional and demeaning occupations for a pittance.

Now there is a growing consensus at national level that there is need to remove the barriers to women's economic empowerment for a lasting, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth and to the achievement of gender equality. India being a party to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), had to submit its reports on the implementation of the Convention. Based on the reports submitted by India to the UN Committee on CEDAW, the Committee recommended for increased investments in the ministry of Women and Child Welfare. Accordingly, India adopted 'gender-responsive budgeting' (GRB) in 2005 and constituted Gender Budgeting Cells in 57 government ministries and departments. Surely, this is a major step towards empowering the women. But, alas, despite these steps the actual allotments in the budget remain at less than 5% of the total budget meant for 48% of the population. The overall budget for women stands at Rs.90,624.76 crore in 2016-17 (4.5%) as against Rs.81,249.12 crore in 2015-2016. This is actually a decline from 5% a decade ago in 2006 when gender-responsive budgeting was first started in India. There is need to put in co-ordinated efforts to see that the budget allocations for women increase from this dismal figure.

DSS, which has been following the global and national contexts with regard to women's economic empowerment is committed to transform the dalit women of its working area as entrepreneurs. In the States of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, the SCSP/TSP Act which mandates specific budget allotments to dalits has come into force. Like any other law, even this Act can be implemented properly only if there is proper monitoring. DSS has taken up campaign among the dalit women, enlightening them on the various provisions of the Act and simultaneously coordinating with the concerned higher officials of the departments, involving them in DSS conferences to make suitable budget allocations and sanction the amounts to dalit women. DSS has joined hands with DICCI to promote dalit women entrepreneurs. Dalit women of the working area have been motivated to rise up to the occasion grab the opportunity and turn as small scale, medium scale industrialists, business persons or at least petty vendors/producers. The women have been enthused to come out of the habit of pleading with hands below as beggars/takers and transform into business tycoons with hands above as givers/providers. The campaign to utilize SCSP/TSP Act and start commercial

ventures has impacted everyone and there was overwhelming response. About 600 dalit women submitted applications to start multitude of marketable ventures. DSS has been pursuing with all concerned for sanction of grants/loans/subsidy for all the applicants and in the process 45 units have been sanctioned and established/started. It is necessary to train all the aspirants so that they may turn out to be successful entrepreneurs and DSS organized such trainings.

Having been continuous defender and promoter of human rights and entitlements of dalit women for over a decade, DSS has embarked upon in a big way to empower the women economically and transform the poverty stricken dalit women into independent business persons. Since protection of human rights and women empowerment is inextricably intertwined with social, economic and political empowerment, it is necessary for the dalit women at this historic juncture to plunge into economic activities and claim the rightful share.

Workshop on Entrepreneur Promotion

Dalit Sthree Sakthi in association with DICCI - AP Chapter has organized a one day workshop on 15th April 2016 at HASSS, Secunderabad on Entrepreneur Promotion with identified beneficiaries of East Godavari, Krishna and Guntur districts of Andhra Pradesh. The women collective leaders interested to start business under SCSP/TSP have been identified and nurtured through workshops, seminars, trainings, awareness meetings etc. The workshop is in continuation to a series of conferences, trainings on SCSP/TSP Act to enable dalit women as Entrepreneurs. The dignitaries on the dais were Jhansi Geddani National Convener of DSS, M. Madhusudhan Rao President of DICCI AP Chapter, GDV Prakash Programme Manager, DSS State Coordinators of AP & Telangana K. Rajamani and B. Bhagya

Lakshmi. The self-introduction

of the participants was done and the convener has briefed on the objective of the workshop. DICCI AP Chapter president addressing the participants has briefed about the process to be done, various other

benefits such as electricity, tax

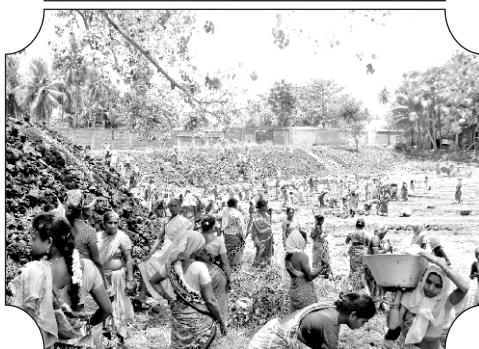
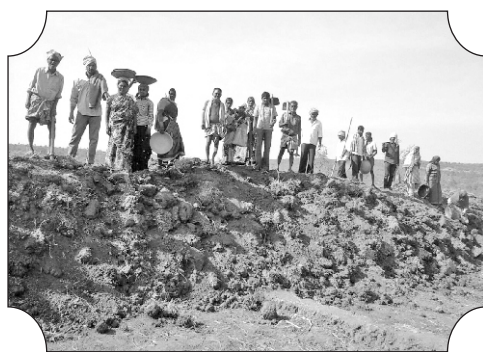
etc., apart from subsidy. He also detailed about the role of industries department, banks, SWD, DICCI etc. Later he had a thorough interaction with each of the beneficiary, went through their files, made necessary changes & suggestions and in some cases revised the projects. In the post lunch session the



participants were divided into groups sector wise such as Jute, Kirana Shop, Ladies Boutique, Readymade Garments, Coconuts Vendors, Generators, Oil Engines, Ceramic Tiles, JCBs, Taxis, Transport Vehicles, Electrical Shop, Winding Shop, Two Wheeler Spare Parts Shop, Painting & Denting of 4 Wheelers. After the group work the issues raised were clarified and concluded by explaining further process to be done. Similarly, various workshops and conferences were organized in districts.

NREGA

In spite of a shift towards entrepreneur promotion under SCSP/TSP, DSS has been still focusing on NREGA with an intention not to leave any income generation opportunity. In states of AP and Telangana a total of 933 families were sanctioned works under NREGA. DSS has applied for works to the Shrama Shakti Sanghas (SSS) formed by it and ensured that the work was sanctioned to some groups based on the availability. The issues of non-payment of wages was regularly taken up with the concerned officials and saw that the wages were released immediately. Similarly, DSS negotiated with the concerned officials on work site facilities and got the amount additionally sanctioned for drinking water. DSS team has regularly engaged with the officials at respective levels on the sanction of un employment allowance and has updated them on specific incidents where it has been applied on the requisite format and the reluctance of the concerned authorities for the payment of unemployment allowance. Continuous engagement on this particular issue is being carried out for the sanction of works within stipulated time if not payment of unemployment allowance.



DSS in association with Tata Projects has established two RO water plants one at Chevella at Ranga Reddy District, Telangana and at Nutchumilli of Krishna District of Andhra Pradesh. Jhansi Geddani National Convenor of Dalit Sthree Sakthi switching on the RO water machine at Chevella.



Momentous Days

The Days that Boost The Spirit And Give Impetus

DSS has been celebrating significant days like International Women's Day, Ambedkar's Birth Anniversary, Human Rights Day etc in a different tenor and method to give stimulus to the spirit of the cadre and public. This year also important days were celebrated with fervour on themes that propel the passion of the participants.

DSS completed a decade of its journey and celebrated the decennial year in a grand way with the entire team and women collectives rejoicing and sharing their memories of what they were a decade back and what they are now. Likewise, International Women's day was celebrated as Dalit Women – Empowerment, Republic Day was celebrated with the theme of 'Give Us Our Constitution', Dr.B.R. Ambedkar 125th Birth Anniversary was celebrated with a marathon 'padayatra' on the theme of "Ambedkar — Women". The events are narrated in detail below:

Republic Day Celebrations : Give Us Our Constitution

The Constitution of India which declared India as 'Sovereign Socialist Secular Democratic Republic' came into force on 26th January 1950 and every year this day is celebrated as Republic Day officially all over India. DSS also celebrates this day every year with a theme relevant to dalit women. As the rights enshrined in the Constitution are violated and denied to dalit women by the civil society and the State machinery, we thought it fit to celebrate this year's Republic Day function with the theme of "Give Us Our Constitution". A public meeting was conducted on 26th January with this theme with dalit intellectuals as speakers. Sri. Bojja Tarakam was the Chief Guest, while other speakers were: Sri. Satish Chandar, Senior Journalist; Prof. Sripathi Ramudu, UoH, Dr. Siddoji Rao; Anand Rao, Founder President of AIDRF, Jhansi Geddam, National Convener of DSS; GDV Prakash, National Program Manager of DSS, Raja Mani and Baghya Laxmi, DSS State Co-ordinators, respectively of A.P. and Telangana.

GDV Prakash: He called upon the dalit women to strive for the implementation of the rights guaranteed under the Constitution. He further inspired the dalit women to aim at acquiring power so that equality as visualized in the Constitution can be achieved. He said that the



Constitution drafted by Dr. Ambedkar provides the direction for achieving equality and it is the duty of the youth and women to work for its implementation by bringing pressure on the Governments.

Bojja Tharakam: Dr. Ambedkar has drafted Constitution incorporating provisions for the betterment and advancement of economically, socially and educationally backward sections of the country, but even after 68 years of independence, these sections continue to suffer deprivation in all fronts. The Government has the responsibility to see that the Constitution is properly implemented to achieve the objectives of uplifting the downtrodden. He said that it is the Constitution that recognizes and elevates the value of a human being and lamented that the Constitutional values were flouted in the past 68 years. He said, that Ambedkar worked for the equality of women and all classes of persons. He drafted the Constitution to provide equality for everyone, but the Governments now are denying all rights to people and controlling all aspects of a human being. He called upon the dalit women to march ahead to achieve equality in all aspects in the footsteps of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar, who repeatedly advocated the cause of women's equality and said that no country can progress without the advancement of its women.



Jhansi Geddam: She commented that now the system is revolving around money and the administrative machinery is serving the interests of the moneyed people only. In a situation like this the Government and its machinery doesn't show interest in the implementation of schemes meant for dalits. Hence the dalit women have to work hard and acquire the knowledge of all schemes and their rights and bring pressure on the Government machinery to implement the schemes and fight for the rights. She called upon the dalit women to spread awareness and move unitedly to achieve the constitutional rights and objectives and to strive for the preservation of democracy. If we keep passive the future of democracy will be in peril.

Satish Chander: He pointed out how the capitalist classes utilized the constitution to their benefit and in various ways obstructed the rights of depressed classes and caste. It is necessary for all secular forces to unite and fight against religious and Manuvada forces. He said there is not much difference between the ideology of Gandhi and Godse. When Gandhi proposed, village centered constitution, Ambedkar pointed out to Gandhi that the village of dalits and the village of dominant castes are different and



that the dalits have no mother land. It is Ambedkar who wrote the biggest constitution that decided the fate of this country. There were conspiracies to disassociate such a constitution from Ambedkar.

He referred to the death of Rohit and said that dalits are conscious of their rights without reading much of what was written by Ambedkar. If dalits become aware of Ambedkar writings like Rohit and HCU students, dalits would advance and this is the reason why the ruling classes are afraid of students like Rohit. He pointed out the efforts of Dr Ambedkar for the freedom of women. The institution of marriage was a closed one, into which if one enters, she can't come out. Ambedkar tried to make the system flexible by providing the right of divorce to the women. Ambedkar encouraged inter caste marriages towards annihilation of caste. Ambedkar strongly opposed Hindu religion.

Sripathi Ramudu: He said that caste oppression exists in the universities to the same extent as it exists in the villages. Even if a dalit comes up to the university level with great difficulty still they will be excluded from all committees, executive councils and other bodies. Even if one gets a chance to be in those committees they will not be regarded with value. Only those few among the dalits who turn out to be slavish to the dominant castes will be utilized. Though the dalits have the capacity to challenge they don't have the enough strength. He lamented that though they get salaries in lakhs, they are unable to lead life with self-respect. With regard to students also the scholarships are not distributed equitably and there is no place for law and justice in universities. Even class IV employees of the dominant castes don't respect dalit professors. The students of ASA in HCU are seriously studying Ambedkar ideology and this is terrifying the administration and the ruling classes.

Dr. Siddoji: He called upon everyone to do anything with commitment and seriousness. He advised the youth to study and implement the ideology of Ambedkar. He pointed out that the parents should bring up the girl children on par with the boys.

Other speakers Ananda Rao and Suharlatha from AIDRF called upon everyone to see that the constitution is implemented properly in letter and spirit.

“Enabling Empowerment: A Decade’s Journey”

(10th Annual Conference on 4th and 5th March 2016)

Completion of a decade's journey by DSS was celebrated on 4th and 5th March with all the concerned people assembling in hundreds.

1st Day: 4th March

The activists, members and leaders of Women Collectives, invitees, personnel of print and electronic media gathered at the Venue, SSS Kalyana Mandapam by 10.00 a.m of 4th March 2016. More than 1000 members of Women collectives representing their villages from the two states covering 12 districts assembled. There was a festive mood prevailing at the venue.

The cultural team took over the stage and sung songs relevant to the occasion, which reverberated the hall and inspired the gathering. The songs were so selected as to convey Ambedkar ideology, concept of DSS and the issues faced by dalit women. The cultural team also inspired the audience with slogans of 'Jai Bheem' and other relevant slogans of dalit women struggle.

GDV Prakash National Program Manager, announced that the proceedings commence first with hoisting of DSS Flag and he invited Sri. P.S.N. Murthy, I.A.S. Amidst slogans by the entire crowd, Sri.

P.S.N. Murthy formally inaugurated the meeting by hoisting the DSS flag. Then the Program Manager invited the Convener, DSS, Jhansi Geddarn to preside over the meeting and invited the Chief Guest and other Guests of Honour on to the dais one by one who were applauded by the gathering and each one of the dignitaries was honoured.



Presidential Remarks of Jhansi Geddarn National Convener:

In her introductory speech, she presented a conspectus of a decade's movement of dalit women rights by DSS and how it could traverse various hurdles. The narration outlined the conceptual, strategic and programmatic aspects of decade's journey in enabling the empowerment of dalit women. She narrated briefly, how the organization took off a decade ago and how DSS organized and consolidated dalit women in 2400 villages into active women collectives. She outlined how DSS, which initially concentrated exclusively on atrocities committed on dalit women and how in course of time took up the task of mainstreaming the dalit girl child by addressing the issues of education, gender sensitization and nurturing the dalit girl children as potential leaders. She touched upon how, DSS monitored Anganwadis, Social Welfare Schools and hostels, towards realizing this objective. She highlighted the committed, qualitative and concentrated work of DSS in addressing huge number of rights and other issues of dalit women in the decade that went by. She highlighted how, in the arduous journey of a decade, DSS escalated many heights and is now strategically intervening in empowering the dalit women by facilitating them to grow as entrepreneurs. She explained how the dalit women are being enlightened about the SCSP/TSP Act and the alliances with concerned organizations like DICCI, TATA Projects, etc., to facilitate the programme of dalit women entrepreneurship.

Sri. Anand Anil Kumar, representative of Tata Projects explained that Tata was always in the forefront in implementing affirmative action and every managing director of Tata Company has to send reports of implementing the 4 pillars of affirmative action to the company headquarters. He assured all help to dalit entrepreneurs as part of corporate social responsibility. He congratulated DSS for building up such a powerful rights movement and said he was impressed by the strength of the organization.

Jeevan Kumar, State Convener of Human Rights Forum spoke about the rights of dalits and narrated how the police resort to illegal detentions of dalits in the State on simple pretexts. HRF had put in lot of efforts to get the illegally arrested persons released on bail. He appreciated DSS work among dalits and pointed the need to take up the issues of marginalized and neglected castes, particularly land issues. He assured the support of HRF to DSS.

Sri. Venkata Das, Director, Sneha TV lauded dalit women for their commitment to Ambedkar ideology and explained the need to focus their problems. He explained how he and other Ambedkarites formed into a small group to start a TV channel to give voice to dalits. As on today, the electronic media is in the hands of a few dominant sections and these channels don't give any space to the marginalized sections. The proposed "Sneha" TV channel is intended to reverse the existing scenario and would give space to dalits and marginalized sections. This channel is going to be

established with the contributions of dalits in the form of a meagre Rs.100/- shares and is expected to be launched by August 2016.

Ch. Hemalatha, Chief Finance Officer, Rural Development congratulated DSS for celebrating its journey in a big way and has said that the dalit women are facing many problems in Whichever position they are and wherever they are. DSS took up this challenging task of mainstreaming the dalit women and girl children and have succeeded on doing so. The multipronged approach of DSS in protecting & promoting the rights has resulted in reducing the violence on dalit women and similarly promoting them as entrepreneurs. She expressed her solidarity and wished DSS much more success in the days to come.

Sri. Gopala Rao, I.A.S. Pointed out that land issues are same as it was 40 years ago. No land is given to dalits and on the other hand land is being taken away by the governments in the guise of land pooling, for building capital city in Amaravathi. He said that the losers in land pooling are dalits as most of the lands are cultivated by dalits as tenant farmers. He lamented the plight of dalit women who toil on the land. He cited the farm labour and also how the women are sacrificing their lives, in places like East Godavari, by working in gulf countries and sending money to the family. Unfortunately, the men are not exhibiting similar responsibility and he hoped that it is dalit women that will struggle to change the society. He observed that the Central Government also is resorting to propaganda tactics to woo the dalits by celebrating 125th Jayanthi of Ambedkar or erecting a high rise statue, without actually uplifting them through concrete programmes. He congratulated DSS for its successful completion of 10 years of arduous journey on the issues of dalit women and assured all support to DSS.

Ms. Vasantha Kannabhiran, appreciated DSS for its committed work for over a decade. She said, it is not easy to run an organization for such a long time without diluting the spirit and commitments. She said, that women were mostly confined to family and it is a difficult process to kindle awakening in them and make them to sit and think about themselves. She applauded DSS for achieving this task. She pointed out there is an all pervading vicious atmosphere wherein many forces are unable to digest a dalit growing in life and these forces are creating a suffocating atmosphere for dalits to commit suicide. In a situation like this, the dalit women will have to be ready to react to such incidents sharply. This requires analysis, thinking, understanding and all round debate to combat these vicious forces. She said that she was with DSS in this 10 years journey and assured her continued support.

Release of 10 years report, “Enabling Empowerment: A Decade’s Journey”: The report was released by Sri Kaki Madhava Rao and the first copy was given to K. Rajamani & B. Bhagya Lakshmi the state coordinators of AP & Telangana.

Sri. Kaki Madhava Rao, IAS., Chief Secretary, Govt of A.P.(Retd.)

Highlighted the achievement of DSS in bringing the organization to the present level over a decade and remarked that anyone can start an organization but running it consistently with commitment is what is required. He shared his experiences of his association with self-help groups of women. He observed that over



a time the women developed their participation in public space, which was initially abhorred by their men, but in course of time the men came to accept the reality of women's public participation. Referring to the decade's report, he said that it shows the continuous progress in the work of DSS, both in terms of quality and quantity.

Sri. P.S.N. Murthy, I.A.S. in his speech lauded the dalit woman leadership of Ms. Mayavati and similarly DSS. He called upon the dalit women to grow as potential leaders, acquire political power as it is the only remedy for our tribulations.

Sri. Murthy referred to the death of dalit scholar Rohit Vemula in UoH and explained how it was an institutionalized murder of a budding dalit intellectual and applauded the struggle of his mother to get justice. He appreciated DSS for playing a key role in the whole struggle for justice by the students of UoH. He called upon the dalit women to get their children educated and contribute dalit intellectuals to the country in large number. Similarly he referred to the oppressive actions on the dalit intellectual, Rohit from HCU and drew the attention of the people to the exemplary courage of his mother who supported his rightful struggle.

Session- I: "Dalit Women – Human Rights"



Sri Chellappa IAS, Chairperson for Tribal Commission of Telangana chaired the session and he congratulated DSS for its committed work and said that being woman and being dalit, the dalit women are twice oppressed. He observed that the goals enunciated in the Preamble, namely, social and economic justice are ignored by the rulers for the past 69 years and now dalits are able to question the injustice done to them. But he lamented that questioning is being branded as anti-national and are being charged with sedition.

DSS brought out the books on SC,ST (PoA) Act with the latest amendments immediately in English and Telugu. The booklets were inaugurated on this occasion.

English and Telugu SC, ST (PoA) Act Books were Released by Sri. Samuel Anand IAS, Director - Social Welfare, AP



Samuel Anand Kumar IAS, Director - Social Welfare, AP, narrated the ground level problems of witnesses and victims due to the unrealistic rules and regulations under the PoA Act. He appreciated DSS for bringing out English and Telugu versions of the Act with latest amendments and promised to publish them on behalf of the government. He called upon DSS to take the new law to grassroots and assured full co-operation from the Department of Social Welfare.

Pushpa Chakrapani, Professor, Dr.B.R. Ambedkar Open University congratulated DSS for the enormous work done during the past decade and said she was always happy to be associated with DSS. She analysed the concept of human rights and called upon dalit women to struggle for their rights and in this context, she said education is important to know about human rights. Without knowledge and awareness of human rights one can't properly demand them, hence, she advised every dalit woman to get their children educated.



Vimala, Senior Advocate and Writer, said she was disturbed for the past few days about an incident where the Adivasi women were nakedly paraded and tortured in public by the police. These type of events show that dalit and Adivasi women are considered less than human beings and all rights are denied to them. They can be tortured and humiliated with impunity.

She traced the origin of the concepts of human rights, democracy and how these modern concepts of equality, liberty and fraternity have come as against the autocratic forms of governance. She said that DSS often organises Public Hearings and Round Table Conferences by presenting the victims of violence questioning impunity and demanding justice. How long such programs need to be organized and we all need to think to put a stop to the impunity.

Ms. Jhansi Geddam, National Convener, DSS started her speech illustratively asking the audience to answer what happens if a bus with full of passengers is driven by a person who doesn't know driving at all. The audience responded that the bus collides and all the passengers would die. Then, she said, now the implementation of PoA Act is in the hands of such personnel who are ignorant of the provisions and spirit of the Act.

Then she narrated how the dalit Adivasi organizations coalition network at national level, continuously worked hard and lobbied with the leaders for bringing out the amendments ordinance and how the sacrifices of martyrs of Tsundur, Laximpet and other massacres lie behind the success of these amendments.

She compared the latest Act to a powerful weapon in the hand of dalits, and cautioned that a weapon can be used only if one knows the art of handling the weapon. She called upon everyone to be aware of the Act and use it properly. The officials, whose duty it is to implement the Act are not aware of it, but since the Act is for the protection of dalits, the dalits should know the Act and see that it is properly implemented.

Session- II: Dalit Women – Political Rights

K. Rajamani, State Coordinator of AP spoke about the objective of the session and explained how the Dalit women are being prevented from accessing political rights.

Sri P.S.N. Murthy, I.A.S chaired the session and he said that some sections don't accept the leadership of Mayavati, which



is not a correct political decision. One should be able to draw the support of all for acquiring power. He again clarified the concepts of political power and political rights and called upon the dalits to aim power as envisioned by Dr. Ambedkar. He stressed the need to capture state power to achieve all rights. He condemned the conspiracies of the dominant sections which are pushing the dalit scholars and intellectuals either to leave the Universities or commit suicide and this type of pressure on the dalits can be prevented only if dalits acquire state power.

Dr Siddoji from Help Desk congratulated DSS for successfully completing a decade of committed work. He appealed to people to develop scientific outlook for empowerment. Nothing should be accepted blindly without analysing it. Even God should not be believed without proof. Political rights mean, right to vote, and right to contest for any post, right to start a political party, right to propagate political ideas. We have all these political rights, but only at the legal level but not in practice. He appealed for gaining political power without which the dalits can't really exercise the legal rights.

R. Subba Rao, IAS., OSD of State SC Commission congratulated DSS and its National Convener for successfully running the organization for over a decade and appreciated the dalit women that assembled there for two days out of concern to transform the society. He wished that such people to be in our legislatures. Dr. Ambedkar fought for voting rights for dalits and women at the Round Table Conference and convinced the British.

Mary Madiga spoke about the sacrifices of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, Savitribai, Kanshi Ram and other national leaders who transformed the dalit situation and she called upon all dalit women to unite and struggle against perpetrators of atrocities. She urged all dalit women to teach a lesson to anyone who dared to trample upon the rights of dalit women and inspired the audience to struggle for rights and political power.

Gogu Syamala Writer, highlighted the conceptual aspects of dalit women situation. She pointed out the discriminatory perspectives that pervade the society with regard to a dalit women. She explained how dalit women are being seen only as menial workers/wage labourers and not as equal human beings and the need to reverse these socially rooted perspectives. She lauded DSS for its efforts in this regard, in facilitating the dalit women to participate in public affairs, question the officials concerning rights etc. Further, she highlighted the importance of understanding the ideas of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and the need to acquire knowledge in all aspects for empowerment.

Prof Sripathi Ramudu from UoH said he was enthralled at the way DSS National Convener, Jhansi Geddam intervened when the dalit scholar Rohit Vemula committed suicide. We were observing from a distance and hesitating to join the agitation, but she with her team of dalit women just pushed through the police and the crowd with all the ferocity and stayed there throughout the night and argued the administration and monitored all formalities. I could see in them the emotional attachment and commitment to the issue. I was convinced that she is totally different from ordinary NGOs and I could see a different personality with commitment to dalit issues. He explained how his family was brought up and children educated by his mother. Even the present movement at UoH is going ahead because of the girls leadership and he called upon the dalit women to rise up and transform the society.

2nd Day: 5th March

Session - III: Dalit Women – Economic Rights

Jhansi Geddam started the session and she said that Poverty is one important factor for our backwardness. That is why we fought and achieved SCSP/TSP Act and last year we propagated about this Act and there is still a lot to achieve. SCSP/TSP Act is our right and in this connection, we have accord with DICCI, TATA etc., for promoting dalit entrepreneurs. We have to change our hand from seeking position to that of giving hand.

Sri. Narendra has said TATA Projects is committed to serve the dalit sections as part of its policy towards people and we are promoting entrepreneurs, particularly in the field of setting up water processing units. Air and water are basic needs for human survival and today contamination of earth & water sources due to heavy use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides, pure water is not available. Consumption of polluted water leads to various diseases including cancer. With the objective of providing pure drinking water at a very low cost of Rs.4 to 5/-, TATA is encouraging setting up of water plants.

Sri M. Madhusudan Rao, State President DICCI, A.P. Chapter, explained that for the past 10 years DICCI has been coordinating at high levels to see that various institutions and industries come forward to facilitate dalits to transform into entrepreneurs. All major industries like TATA and banks are now coming forward to help dalit entrepreneurs. DICCI has men and women co-ordinators from top to bottom and they will be ready to help anyone who wishes to start an economic venture.

Satya Bose, Director of CRSD congratulated DSS on the occasion of decade's accomplishments. He said, liberty, equality and fraternity remained just as slogans and in reality, differences like, gender, caste are continuing. He pointed out that dalit movement against oppression has not paid much attention to development as the movement was mostly concerned in organizing and protesting against oppression. But now he is able to see that attention is paid to the development of dalits, particularly economic independence and DSS is paving the way for such process. He exposed that the government has never cared to allot budget for women either under Women and Child Welfare or under Nirbhaya law during the past so many years. Under the Nirbhaya law, the budget allocations ever since the enactment are just zero. But if you see the budget allocations for surface transport like roads, rail etc., and the amount runs to the tune of lakhs of crores. This is conclusive proof that the Government is interested in infrastructure development and not human or women development. In a situation like this we have to devise strategies for struggle and development with proper perspectives.

Anjaneyulu, Regional Manager, Action Aid said it is a great achievement that DSS not only surmounted difficulties and completed a decade but also powerfully articulated the dalit women cause all these years. DSS has given hope for dalit movement. He lamented how dalit women are subjected to harassment and atrocities every day. Even dalit women employees are harassed by the officers and he cited how a judicial officer humiliated a dalit women employee. He called upon the dalit women to achieve economic independence and transform themselves as entrepreneurs.

Anuradha, Executive Director, Rainbow Foundation of India said she is happy to see so many dalit women at one place. It is a fact that dalit women leadership is not accepted. Dalit women face

multiple oppression and you are fighting against such oppression and you have reached a stage of questioning. She appreciated the fact that such a number of dalit women have come forward to share their experiences. She appealed to dalit women to participate in politics to change the present political scenario. She commented how the present dispensation is directly and indirectly attempting to bring religion to divide people.



Ramesh Nathan General Secretary of National Dalit Movement for Justice congratulated everyone, particularly the National Convener of DSS Jhansi Geddham for building and sustaining the Dalit Sthree Sakthi movement for a decade. In the present scenario, it is not easy to sustain a movement for a decade. The leader, Jhansi and others have taken lot of pains, faced so many challenges in sustaining the movement. All these efforts are in our hearts. It is time to review the past decade's experiences and plan for the next decade. The communist parties are able to take the issues of Rohit Vemula

suicide and JNU students to national level, but unfortunately, there is no dalit party or politics to take the dalit issues to national level. Later he narrated the national level efforts put forward by dalit organizations in bringing about amendments to the PoA Act and it is much strengthened.

Padmavathi, Additional Director General, BSNL congratulated DSS for completing it's 10 years journey and everyone can understand how hard it is to work for mainstreaming dalit women. She said that she is over joyed to see so many dalit women sitting together and discussing their issues. She wished all success in future endeavour of DSS and expressed all necessary support.

Satyanarayana the former Executive Director of SC Corporation, congratulated the dynamic leadership of DSS. He stressed the need to fight for proper spending of the funds under the SCSP/TSP Act without being diverted to other projects. He suggested for the depositing of allocated funds in a separate account of the nodal agency, so that any unspent amount may be carried forward.

Dr Siddoji from SC, ST Officers Forum congratulated DSS for the support extended to dalit women issues and called upon everyone to follow Dr. BR Ambedkar. He said all of us should read a lot to acquire knowledge. If you can't read, you should work and if you can't work you should think. Ambedkar had a spotless character and we need to inspire by looking at Ambedkar and maintain our character. Further, we should never waste time and learn to sacrifice. We should take a resolution to perform well in any work we do, do in a better way, whatever the role we perform, we should excel in doing it. We should be totally trustworthy and dependable. He inspired everyone to work hard and to develop their personalities.

Puttapaga Srinivas, State President, Telangana DICCI stressed the need for economic empowerment and explained how DICCI is intervening at the Reserve Bank level in streamlining the policies and implementation of loan disbursements to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. He narrated how they questioned the bank personnel with regard to the circulars for loan disbursements to scheduled castes and tribes and how they were made to realize the need for implementing the circulars.

Valedictory

Narra Ravi Kumar, All India Vice President, DICCI pointed out that religion is coming in the way of people's enlightenment on the reality of life and world. He cited how various religious solutions like, particular forms of worship, astrology, wearing certain gems etc are superstitious and meant to keep people in ignorance. He advised the people to understand and follow the path of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar. He said it is only Ambedkar who showed the way to the people's problems and not any religion or God. He called upon people to get educated and fight for rights in the path of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar. All political parties take the support of dalits for coming to power but once in power, they work only for their benefit or for the benefit of their castes ignoring the dalits and that is why even after 69 years of independence, the dalit situation has not changed much. He exhorted people to learn questioning the political parties and leaders.

Peethala Sujatha, Minister for Women and Child Welfare

Department congratulated DSS on the completion of a decade's work among dalit women. She said all of us should be grateful to Dr.B.R. Ambedkar for his vision in providing so many facilities to dalits and it is due to his vision that she was able to occupy a ministerial position in the government. She appreciated DSS for spreading the awareness of the laws in remote villages also, thereby transforming the lives of dalits. She called upon the dalit women to get their daughters educated.



Siva Baghya Rao, Founder of Sneha Groups has congratulated DSS team on its completion of 10 years journey and said that DSS is the only organization working on rights mode at grass root level and has expressed the solidarity of Sneha group of organizations. Stressing on media, he has said that it's the need of hour and therefore all need to help in promoting Sneha TV channel and everyone need to join as shareholders and Jhansi Geddani is one of the directors.

Felicitations: All the team members who worked with DSS in these 10 years and senior women collective members were felicitated and presented with mementoes.

Later all the team members felicitated National Convener and Programme Manager.

A Declaration was adopted as follows:

1. To transform at least 1000 dalit, Adivasi women as successful entrepreneurs and provide them all necessary support to sustain.
2. To mainstream the dalit youth as leaders and wean away the youth from vicious cultural impact of all types.
3. To take up vigorous campaign in all the 2400 target villages of DSS in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana about the newly amended SC/ST (PoA) Act and other laws and create awareness among all.
4. To campaign for bright child hood for dalit girl children and to see that the Right to Education Act is properly implemented and strengthened.

5. To create awareness on Domestic Violence Act and gender sensitiveness among the dalit male, youth and male children and for this purpose to conduct campaign on foot (Padayatra) in 700 villages, @ 100 villages per district.
6. To work with all likeminded organizations, to campaign and lobby for policies and laws for the empowerment of dalit Adivasi women.



International Women's Day — Dalit Women – Empowerment

All women are not same and are not endowed with the same family or property backgrounds. Women have not always shared the same rights and still do not share in many respects. International Women's Day is an opportunity to celebrate the women who have paved the way towards our progress, yet at the same time, it is a reminder of the inequality that plagues society. This is not just another day but it is a day to reignite the commitment to our journey towards empowerment. International Women's Day is over 100 years old to mark the victory of toiling women. But it is celebrated by many in such a way as if it is a function to meet and exchange pleasantries and disburse. For DSS it's a day on which women gather to discuss and take action against inequalities. International Women's Day is meant to ignite discussion and impact public opinion about the rights of women, particularly the dalit women who are at the lower rung of the societal ladder. That's why DSS chose to sensitize the women and society in general about Ambedkar's view of women's liberation and chose the theme of 'women empowerment'.

DSS conducted International Women's Day programme at Visakhapatnam on 10th March 2016 at Ambedkar Bhavan, Visakhapatnam. The dignitaries on the dais were Sri K. Mahalakshmi, Executive Director of S.C. Corporation, Sri Raghavendra Rao – Senior Ambedkarite, Jhansi Geddani – National Convener of DSS, G Daniel Vijay Prakash – National Program Manager of DSS, K. Rajamani and B. Bhagyalakshmi DSS State Co-ordinators of A.P. and Telangana and others.

GDV Prakash: He has detailed in brief about the significance of the day, the background and its prominence. He lamented that the government and other organizations have forgotten the main reason behind International Women's Day and have been organizing various programmes irrelevant to it. Therefore, DSS ever since its inception has been campaigning on the history behind it and organizing programmes/conferences/ workshops accordingly every year. Therefore, he has requested the dignitaries on the dais to speak on the theme "Dalit Women – Empowerment".

Raghavendra Rao: He referred to the concept of equality in reference to women with men and referred to the provisions of equality provided in the Constitution of India by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. He narrated about the various provisions in the Constitution for women. He appreciated DSS for spreading awareness among dalit women on their rights. He advised dalit women to be united and fight against atrocities committed on them.



Mahalakshmi: She appreciated DSS for spreading awareness among dalit women. She explained about various schemes being implemented by the Government and SC Corporation in particular for the economic development of dalit women and appealed to everyone to know about these schemes and utilize them to the optimum level. She said that everyone should strive to spread awareness among deprived sections about the schemes and their rights for achieving equality.

Jhansi Geddami explained the importance of International Women's Day and the significance of the struggle for better working conditions and protection of human rights. She said that various conventions at the international level recognize women rights as human rights, similarly, in our country the Constitution and various laws provide for the rights of women. Despite such a legal framework, the rights of women, particularly, the dalit women are being violated regularly. She said that this is happening due to lack of awareness among women and also lack of concerted women's movement. She pointed out how the dalit women in various villages under the umbrella of DSS are able to discuss about their rights, gender equity and move ahead to achieve rights and entitlements as per law and the Constitution.

K. Rajamani and B. BhagyaLaximi A.P and Telangana State Co-ordinators of DSS, explained the activities of DSS among dalit women and girl children and how the dalit women are now able to go around government offices for accessing various schemes.



Campaign on 'Ambedkar – Women'

On the eve of the 125th Birth Anniversary of Dr B R Ambedkar DSS has organized a campaign in the form of Padayatra in its villages across both the states. The campaign was on the theme “Ambedkar – Women” and it was launched on 1st April at Ranga Reddy district and was concluded on 14th April 2016 at Hyderabad with a public meeting after covering other districts

The launching meeting was held in Manmarry village of Shabad mandal in Ranga Reddy. Sri PSN Murthy IAS (VR) has flagged the Padayatra by waving DSS flag. The Padayatra team lead by the National Convener of DSS, Jhansi Geddam went round the village in a mammoth rally. The slogans and Ambedkar songs touched the skies and was applauded. Later Ambedkar statue was garlanded by PSN Murthy, Jhansi Geddam and others; followed by a public meeting. Throughout the day, a series of meetings were held in every village amidst hot sun and even the public have participated enthusiastically in more numbers in the padayatra.

The concept given by the speakers during the Padayatra is as follows:

- ❖ Ambedkar's perspective towards women was highlighted stressing that he has fought for the rights of all women irrespective of caste.
- ❖ Regarding children the mothers were enlightened on the care to be taken right from womb as the brain starts growing from the womb till the baby is three years old
- ❖ Ambedkar was the first one to speak on the reservations for women and the Hindu Code Bill introduced by him was opposed in the parliament. Dejected over the matter he has resigned. Since then the reservation bill for women couldn't get through the Lok Sabha.
- ❖ Women should get empowered, support each other, become active in all aspects, should be on the forefront in all sectors, come to politics, consolidate their votes and capture political power
- ❖ Men were requested to leave liquor as much of our income is being spent for it and similarly the government is earning 100s of crores every year from the liquor consumed. Therefore, the men have to spend the same amount towards the education of their children.
- ❖ Ambedkar's thought is the only way for socio –economic and political empowerment in our country
- ❖ Men and women need to work to attain sustainability
- ❖ Men and women need to have cordial relationship which benefits the growth of children
- ❖ The Indian Constitution given by Ambedkar says about the equality of women and men. The inequality of women & men is like caste chauvinism and religious bigotry
- ❖ Ambedkar spoke on the disparities in the society and castes and also said about the root causes for these inequalities.
- ❖ Ambedkar enlightened the women from patriarchy thinking/ideology towards Rights
- ❖ The movement of Education to Women initiated by Phule was brought on to the forefront by Ambedkar
- ❖ Ambedkar said that the poor should have access to all the natural resources and equal opportunities

- ❖ Ambedkar said to the women “you should know that you are in distress” and it will help you to come out of it.
- ❖ We should break the bonds of slavery, command self-respect and attain self-reliance
- ❖ Women should form into forces and attain political power
- ❖ The provisions of the constitution made by Ambedkar have lead for SCSP/TSP Act enabling the SCs and STs for economic entitlement. The Act has given way for infrastructural development and economic empowerment of individuals.

After the meeting at Manmarry, the campaign team proceeded in four vehicles to the other villages organizing public meetings, press meets, garlanding Ambedkar statues etc. The elected representatives of Panchayat Raj such as Sarpanches, MPTC & ZPTC members have actively participated in the campaign and public meetings. The villages covered district wise are as follows:

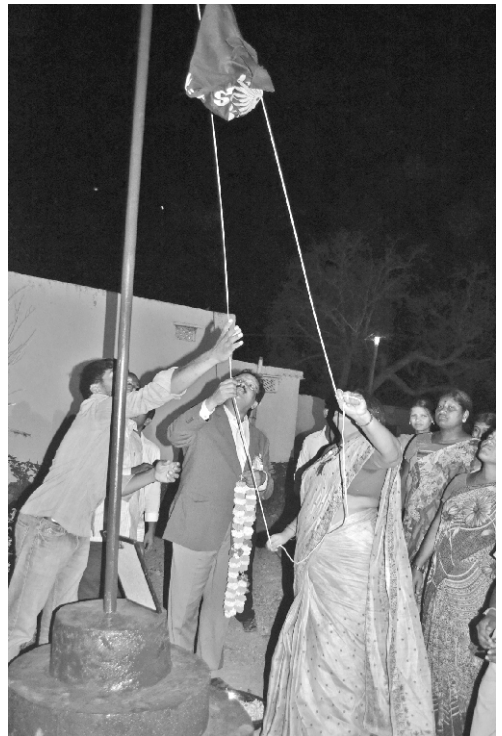
The padayatra was held for 2 days each in the districts of Ranga Reddy, Guntur, East Godavari, Krishna and Hyderabad covering 107 villages & 29 slums spread over 47 mandals.

- In every village, the campaign team was accorded warm welcome with beating of drums, slogans and flowers
- In all villages, the women collective members felicitated the DSS national and state leaders with warm reception
- DSS cultural team rose the emotions of the crowds, inspired them with its resounding songs and slogans all through the campaign
- In many places foundation stones were laid for Ambedkar statues and DSS flag posts.

Impact:

- The larger civil society was enlightened on Ambedkar’s thought towards the women
- Enlightened the to men on the Ambedkar thought and sensitized them to carry forward the thought as Ambedkarite with gender perspective.
- Youth were nurtured on Ambedkar’s thought and they have started the unionization process
- Panchayatraj leaders got awareness on Ambedkar’s ideology and were sensitized towards the cause
- Village Women Collective leaders strengthened their leadership and hold in their respective villages
- By and large the perspective levels were built among the communities





Dr.B.R. Ambedkar 125th Birth Anniversary Celebrations

“Ambedkar — Women”:

The annual event of birth anniversary of Dr. Ambedkar was celebrated in a big way this year throughout the country. This anniversary assumed significance as it happens to be the 125th birth anniversary and significance is much more heightened due to the political context prevailing in the country. In this context, DSS celebrated the birth anniversary with the theme of “Ambedkar – Women”. From April 1st to 13th ‘padayatra’ (reaching and interacting with the people on foot) was conducted in the target villages, propagating the ideology of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar. The culmination of 13 day Padhayatra was



public meeting on 14th April at Basheer Bagh Press Club at Hyderabad. This public meeting was presided over by GDV Prakash, Programme Manager of DSS, while Ms. Usha Kumari, IAS, Commissioner of Minorities, Sumitra, Member of SC PCR Cell, Dr. Siddoji, in-charge of SC,ST Officers forum, Ms. Manikyam from Electricity Department, Jhansi Rani, from Social Welfare Dept., Venkatesh Chowhan, General Secretary, JAC-HCU and Jhansi Geddham, National Convener of DSS participated.

GDV Prakash:

He narrated how Ambedkar was concerned with the liberation of the women in all aspects, which can be found in his writings, speeches and actions. One should always remember that Ambedkar said that a nation’s development and progress has to be measured on the basis of the development of its women.



Jhansi Geddham:

She exclaimed that the birth anniversary of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar is being celebrated at global level from UNO to village level. She said that one should remember that Dr.B.R. Ambedkar doesn’t represent any one section of people. He spent his life for the liberation, equality and fraternity of everyone and for advancement of the entire society. His writings and thoughts are for the removal of obstacles in uplifting of the society as a whole. He toiled day and night to draft the Constitution with guarantees of various rights like fundamental rights, democratic form of government, within the broad concepts of social justice, equality, liberty and fraternity to everyone in the country. Having framed the Constitution, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar did not rest, but



toiled to frame Hindu Code Bill to reform the marriage, inheritance and labour laws for the benefit of women and workers. He was so committed to the cause of women that he didn't compromise on the reforms and in the face of opposition from conservative and orthodox forces, he resigned to the ministry.



Ms. Usha Kumari:

She expressed anguish that even after 68 years of independence, the dalit women and girl children are still subjected to various forms of exploitation. Due to lack of awareness, the dalit women are unable to claim rights or utilize the government schemes meant for them. She pointed out that there is no useful purpose in just celebrating the birth anniversary of

Dr.Ambedkar, without digesting and implementing his ideology.

Sumitra:

She said there is none in the country in post-independence period who fought for the rights of women as Ambedkar did during his time. She said, Ambedkar probed in depth the value system in Hindu religion and its oppressive character. She suggested the dalit women to organize themselves in the villages and struggle for rights and entitlements. She appreciated DSS for conducting padayatra and propagating the rights of women in the villages across the State.



Mr. Mahesh, President RPI:

He lauded DSS as a committed organization working for the empowerment of dalit women and this type of powerful movement became possible because of DSS's sincerity as followers of Ambedkarism.



Venkatesh Chowhan:

He narrated how the casteist forces in the educational institutions who are trampling upon the rights of dalit students and scholars. Dalit women, despite of poverty, starvation and domestic violence are trying their best to send their children to institutions of higher learning, but there the dominant casteist forces are trampling upon the rights of dalit students

and driving them to commit suicide, like Rohit Vemula. These casteist forces are envious of the scholarships etc., given to dalit students and feeling as if that scholarship money is from their pockets.

He praised DSS for its concerted fight against the casteist elements in HCU and the Vice-Chancellor.



Dr. Siddoji:

He shared his opinion that dalits didn't own the community as is being done by other castes. He said, Ambedkar owned his community and his origins so much that he was able to think, write and device so many activities for the liberation of dalits. He sacrificed his life for the

advancement of the depressed castes. One should do any activity with passion and flare for it, then

only one can get results. He said, Ambedkar is a person of spotless character and called upon the women to emulate him. If the women understand and follow Ambedkar, they can shape the future.

Manikyam and Jhansi:

They explained about the efforts of Ambedkar for the liberation of women and goaded the women to get their children educated without gender discrimination.

On the occasion, Ms. Usha Kumari arranged cake cutting by children to mark the birth anniversary of Dr B R Ambedkar.

DSS cultural team inspired everyone with their songs on the life and ideas of Ambedkar.

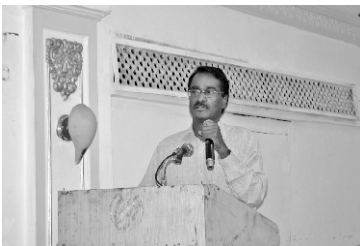


Break the Shackles -March Forward Towards Real Freedom

Dalit Sthree Sakthi (DSS) organized a conference on the eve of 70th Independence Day i.e., on 15th August 2016 at Ravindra Bharathi, Hyderabad, Telangana. The program was on the theme '**Break the Shackles – March Forward towards Real Freedom**'. In these 69 years of independence, many human rights, feminist and dalit movements have brought in change in the societal perspectives to some extent.

The dalit women movement initiated by DSS in 2004 has brought a wave of change in the perspective towards dalit women leadership. Though all the movements have been successful in breaking away many constraints, there are yet many shackles to be broken. Hence, the meeting intended at identifying the bonds restraining dalit women and ways to break free from them. Also, on the occasion of **Sri Bezawada Wilson** being awarded the prestigious **Magsaysay Award**, he has been invited as special dignitary to address the participants and share his journey.

The program started with the songs by DSS cultural team on Ambedkar ideology and dalit women rights. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and Savitri Bai Phule's photos were garlanded by Sri K. Praveen Kumar and Padmasri Narra Ravi Kumar. Sri GDV Prakash, National Program Manager gave an introductory speech and invited the dignitaries on the stage.



Sri V. Nanda Gopal presided over the meeting. He said that liberty, equality, equity and self-respect of many and in particular of the dalit women are still questionable facts and stressed the need to ameliorate the dalit women. He pointed out how the erstwhile state of Andhra Pradesh was the mother-land for dalit movement with powerful articulation of dalit ideology and the slogan 'Dalit rights are human rights'. He appreciated DSS work.

Sri B. Bhagya Lakshmi, Telangana State Coordinator, DSS sharing about the situation in Telangana state has narrated how DSS intervened and secured proper treatment of a 7-year-old dalit girl who was raped and neglected without proper medication. She explained various incidents of atrocities that were addressed by DSS.

Sri K. Rajamani, Andhra Pradesh State Coordinator, DSS narrated about the despicable conditions of social welfare hostels, despite repeated promises by the Government, including the Prime Minister. She narrated how dalits were attacked in Amalapuram by cow vigilante forces and the intervention of DSS to protect the dalits. She traced the history of India and stressed the need for everyone to study Ambedkar and history.

Sri K. Praveen Kumar, IAS expressed his happiness to see so many eminent personalities on the stage. During the time of independence, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar said that, independence should be true to



its core, not just transfer of power. The independence movement was led by dominant caste people, though numerous dalits participated in the movement, they were never allowed to lead. The non-dalit leaders did not promise a caste-less society. They exhibited an ideology that the caste and class system stays as it is, and the only difference is that Indians would rule instead of British. Therefore, we need to question who got independence. After 69 years of independence, the dalit colonies are still the same. There are no roads, water facility or a good school or hospital nearby. The GDP of India has gone up this year, but there is no difference in the situation of the poor. There are some important incidents that happened in the recent past, first being Rohit Vemula's suicide. The reaction that has come from dalit organizations is not planned, but was spontaneous. Next comes the Una incident where 3 dalits were bashed for skinning a cow. The reaction from community and dalit organizations on these incidents was spontaneous. The topic for the day is 'Break the Shackles March Forward Towards Real Freedom.' The idea is to break economic and political shackles. It is the daily fight for DSS. The speaker said that, his message for DSS is to break the shackles of mind than those of the material world. Dalits are kept in fiction of incapability. The dalit community does not realize that they have the potential to build the country. It is the dalits that work in fields, factories, constructions, etc. Majority of work force is dalits. Indian economy is dependent on its work force. Hence, it is dalits that built the physical resources and the economy of the nation. They made India rich. In spite of having such potential, the dominant castes kept dalits in a myth that they do not contribute anything to the economy. This is a mind game that has been influencing dalits for centuries. Therefore we need to change our mindset.

The Special Invitee **Sri Bezawada Wilson** addressing the gathering has said that he did not participate in Independence Day celebrations for many years as dalits say that they did not get real independence yet and are still in systematic exploitation. Independence is not just political freedom, it is about the social, economic and all those rights enshrined in the Constitution. This thought of freedom is not understood by the dominant communities.

The society has entered into a phase of understanding political equality, but economic, social and cultural equalities are yet to be achieved. Only when equality is achieved in all aspects, everyone would have liberty, equality, equity and self-respect. That is when India can claim it is independent and democratic. If this goal is not achieved, it is a danger to democracy.

He analyzed in detail how in the name of cow protection, dalits are being attacked and exposed the shallowness of the arguments of cow vigilantes.

Then he pointed out how the Government favours industrialist class. He said that if dalits are not able to repay loans, their property or possessions are taken away. But, in the past 2 years, 1.14 lakh crore



rupees' loans of the rich are written off. It is not the interest, but the principal amount that was written off.

He narrated the situation of safaikarmacharis in detail and the work done and to be done. Sri Wilson said that he has been with DSS even before its formal establishment. He has been closely observing the work of DSS. DSS has grown as strong dalit women collective and is conducting a splendid program on the 70th Independence Day.



Sri Ghanta Chakrapani, Chairman, TSPSC said that he is attending the meeting not in his official position, but as a well-wisher of DSS who has been in its journey from its establishment. He is glad that Sri Bezawada Wilson is also sharing the platform. At present the discrimination against dalits in India has gained international attention. But, people who are unaware and dishonest are also speaking on dalit issues and preaching them.

Padmasri Narra Ravi Kumar, DICCI said that, in these 69 years of independence, dalits have born as poor and died as poor. Though the Constitution speaks of right to equality, there is no economic equality that preserves other equalities. The nation is divided into rulers and followers. The government instead of addressing the poverty of dalits, just promised to provide money for marriages. What dalits need is not alms from the government. Economic equality is a right. Dalits claiming their share, is their right. The government need not throw money for marriages or build houses.



This strategy makes dalits dependent on government for their economic freedom. The government should spend the funds to the right resources. Dalits should start thinking of standing on their own.

Sri Saila Reddy of Praja Telangana said that, in general people have a goal in life. But, Sri Bezawada Wilson is a person whose life and goal are the same.



Sri Venkat Rao, IRTS, CCM, SCR congratulated DSS for its decade's journey. Among all the books published by DSS, his favorite is the decade book, which is a consolidated form of struggle for dalit women rights. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar being born in the dalit society is a great advantage to them. He is like a God who impartially gives everyone their share. Ambedkar has given dalits their rights as well as to others. He suggested many principles and ideologies for the welfare of dalits. He always encouraged dalits to fight for their economic rights and education. Education gives knowledge while economic status removes poverty. Along with dalit movement, dalits should participate in other movements and work with other organizations.

Sri Anuradha, Executive Director, Rainbow Foundation said that she was associated with DSS since 2004. She is proud of Jhansi Geddam that she has made DSS so strong to even command the national level authorities. They have witnessed the gradual growth of DSS year after year in the planning meetings.

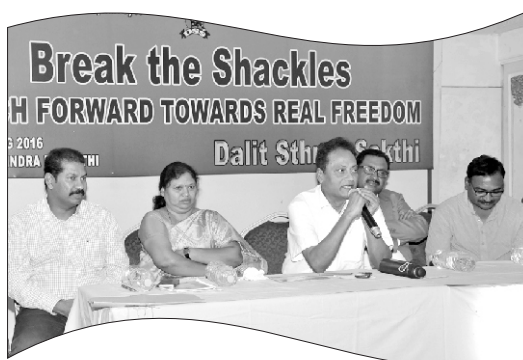


Sri Vandan Kumar, IAS, Addl. Commissioner, GHMC was inspired to share many things on seeing the strong DSS women leaders. Whenever government starts a scheme, most of the times, it is given to the women. It is because they take responsibility and take it forward efficiently. There is a need for the government to take care of the education and the teachers to impart quality education to dalit children.

Sri Balram Naik, IRS was overwhelmed to see so many dalit women leaders gathered at a place. Seeing many dalit women leaders at a place is a far of dream. He said that in such meetings, dalit mothers should be given awareness on parenting, education and future of dalit children. The situations in villages are not pro dalit children education. They also do not have enough resources to study in cities. Dalit children are in the utmost need for getting educated. After the bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh into 2 states, the advantages are not enjoyed by dalit adivasis. They should be educated on all these issues.



Sri Kaki Madhava Rao, IAS, Chief Secretary (Retd.) stressed on the mental slavery of dalits. The customs and traditions of Hinduism are followed to the core by dalits than the Brahmins. Hinduism preaches that worshipping one Goddess gives education, another gives fortune. The religion also preaches that dalits are not eligible to read Vedas and should not have access to knowledge. All religions are propagating the ideology of making dalits as slaves. Speaking about the cow issue, he reminded Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's statement, "The State shall endeavor to organize agriculture and animal husbandry on modern and scientific lines and shall, in particular, take steps for preserving and improving the breeds, and prohibiting the slaughter of cows and calves and other milk and draught cattle." While saying this, he gave cow and calf as an example, but spoke of all milk giving cattle. The dominant castes have taken only the word cow for granted and falsely publicize that even Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was against cow-slaughter. Dalits should not strive to worship the Gods who are not meant for them, whose worship keeps them in the dark. Finally, he advised the participants not to go for Pushkaras as they are also a part of religious slavery.



Sri Jhansi Geddam, National Convener, Dalit Sthree Sakthi said that the theme of DSS for this Independence Day is 'Break the Shackles – March Forward Towards Real Freedom.' Shared about the shackles broken by Sri Bezawada Wilson who relentlessly fought for the cause for over 2 decades. Hence, on the occasion of the Independence Day and Sri Bezawada Wilson being awarded with Magsaysay Award, DSS decided to honor him. Many of us worked with Safai Karamchari Andolan. Seeing the photos of manual scavengers carrying human excreta on their heads, and that dirt flowing down their head, face, hands and all over the body has moved them all. He is the most deserving person to get Magsaysay Award. In the 2 Telugu states, plentiful dalit leaders were born. As a paradox, these 2 states have seen atrocious massacres like Karamchedu, Tsundur, Lakshimpet, Rohit and the recent Amalapuram incident. When such atrocities took place, in the presence of so many dalit intellectuals and leaders, these cases are not going successfully towards justice. There is a need to think what or who are the hindrances.

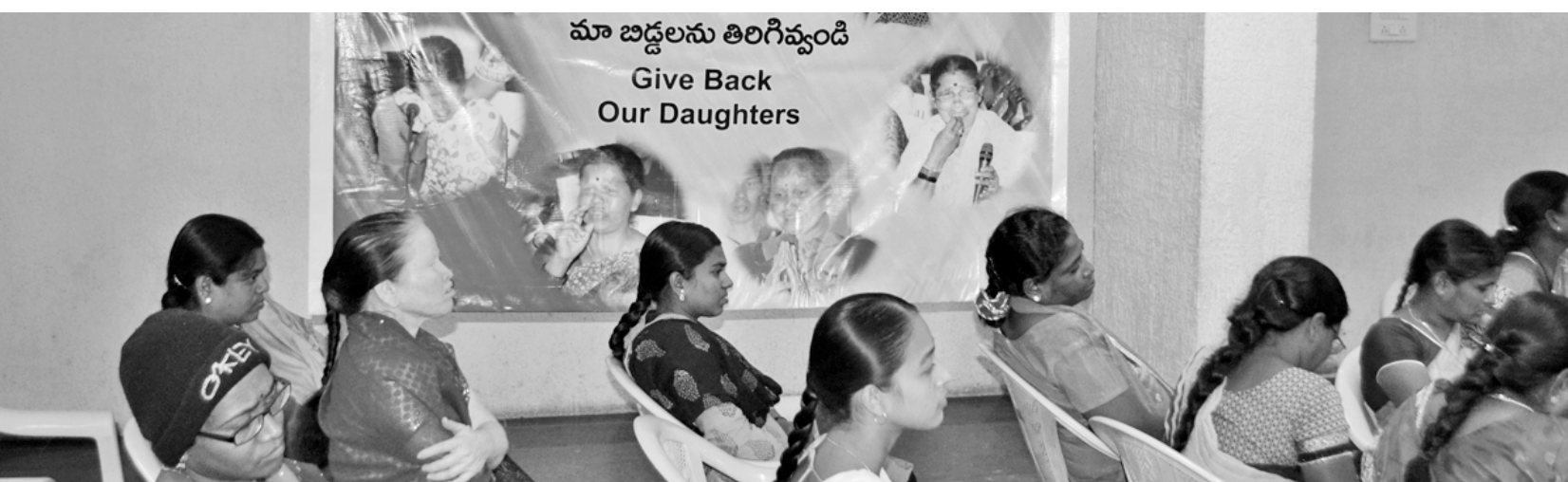
In her childhood, Jhansi Geddam thought that Brahmanism is being born in the Brahmin caste, but later came to know it is the ideology. It is in dalit houses, husbands, villages and leaders. She questioned the dalit women leaders against which Brahmanism should they fight, how many people should they fight with.



11th Annual District Conferences on the Eve of 16 Days Activism

'UN Women', a wing of the United Nations for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, every year calls for a widespread campaign of 16 Days Activism against Gender-Based Violence the world over, from 25th November, (the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women), to 10th December, (Human Rights Day). This Campaign is opportune time to galvanize action to put all efforts towards ending violence against women and girls around the world. DSS takes up this 16 days activism seriously and conducts sensitization campaigns in the villages and urban centres. During this year DSS has organised the 16 days' activism on various themes to sensitize against violence on women and girl children. To commemorate the international event, the 11th Annual District Conferences of DSS were held on various themes pertaining to the campaign. The curtain-raiser event was organized on 25th November at Hyderabad, followed by the districts up to 12th December. Pictorial posters related to violence, discrimination of dalit children in education institutions, discrimination of dalit women in NREGA works were designed specifically and displayed during these conferences.

End Violence on Dalit Women: Campaign was started with a conference on 25th November 2016 at Sundaraiah Vignana Kendram, Hyderabad on "Ending Violence on Dalit Women". Chief Functionaries of various women organizations, selected women collective leaders of DSS from both



the states, academicians, advocates etc. participated in the conference to air their views on the subject. The conference was presided over by Jhansi Geddam- National Convener and the other dignitaries on the dais were GDV Prakash, National Program Manager; Prof.Pushpa Chakrapani, Prof.Sudharani, Girija Gender Consultant; Sumitra - Ankuram, Sajaya - CCC, Asha Latha - MAKAM, Vimala Writer, Satyavathi -Bhomika, Devi Activist, Aruna Senior Journalist, Sudhakar Advocate of High Court and others.

The observations of the speakers may be summed up as below:

- The hypocrisy and duplicity in what is professed and what is practiced in the society is one of the main reasons for violence.
- The patriarchal mind set and lack of gender perspective is causing domestic violence and it is rampant on dalit women.
- More awareness needs to be created to the non-dalit men on SC, ST (PoA) Act and to the Dalit men on Domestic Violence Act.
- More resources need to be allocated for the implementation of these special Acts. At present, in most of the countries, only about 10% budget allocations are made towards women welfare and empowerment, creating resources crunch. This pitiful situation should be reversed and more funds need to be allocated towards women empowerment. Organizations working on women issues should be funded and strengthened.
- Strong networks of like-minded organizations have to be formed to wage a collective and concerted struggle to protect and promote the rights of women and girl children.
- DSS has very good documentation skills and it is appreciable that they follow up the cases till judgement, often raise their voice from various fora, organize Round Table Conferences and Public Hearings.
- We are living in a society where the physically & socio-economically strong gender is committing violence on the weak.
- We need to identify the root causes and eradicate them to stop violence.
- Lack of basic requirements such as food, shelter, education to the children and denial of basic amenities should also be treated as violence.
- Various forms of violence apart from the physical violence need to be identified and denial of resources has to be considered as a form violence.
- The impact of globalization and privatization as accelerating factors of violence should be recognized and its effects have to be reversed.
- All the participants have pledged to take forward the campaign through various platforms and continue to work collectively and synergise the efforts for eradication of violence.

Violence against Dalit Women Implementation of the Laws: The District Conference was organised on 29th November 2016 at Conference Hall, SC Corporation Guntur. The conference was presided over by GDV Prakash, National Program Manager and the Chief Guest was Jhansi Geddam- National Convener, other dignitaries on the dais were, Vijaya Kumari District Coordinator of DSS, Krupa Rao - Social Welfare Department, Vijaya Laxmi - Women and Child Welfare Department, Surya Kasinath- District Industries Department. The women collective leaders of DSS from various places of the district have participated in hundreds. The speakers said that there are many laws



including the special laws for the protection of dalit women and girl children, whereas ineffective implementation by the duty bearers as well as lack of voices is leading to intolerable violence against dalit women. More awareness on the laws needs to be created by the government like the pulse polio program and it needs to ensure the proper implementation of the Acts and take stringent action against wilful negligence of duty.

Economic empowerment of dalit women will change their life style and embolden them to raise their voices against violence and all sorts of injustice. The gender discriminative stereo types of socialization practices in the family is one of the root causes for violence, where the boy child is socialized into a male chauvinistic person and girls are treated as inferior citizens. Hence the girl children need to be encouraged and given more opportunities from the primary stage in education, health and employment. The economic development programs need to be implemented with commitment. The concerned government departments need to shoulder the responsibility. Given the opportunity, many women have excelled in various aspects in the society and it is necessary to give them more space and opportunities and they will do wonders. Dalit women have to make optimum utilization of the available avenues, improve their skills to better their lives. Therefore, the dalit women need to be empowered with all sorts of skills to mainstream them in socio, economic and political fields.

Dalit Youth Education and Employment: The District Conference was organised on 2nd December 2016 at Conference Hall, Market Yard, Chevella of Ranga Reddy District. The conference was presided over by Baghya Laxmi State Coordinator of Telangana State and the Chief Guest was Jhansi Geddami - National Convener and the other dignitaries on the dais were GDV Prakash, National Program Manager; Sri Hameed DRDA; Sri Vijaya Laxmi Chairperson of Market Yard; Narasimha -



Advocate and leaders of Students Organizations. The women collective leaders of DSS from various places of the district have participated. Jhansi narrated how the caste and class discrimination, apart from illiteracy have been perpetuating poverty among the dalit women. Due to lack of qualitative education, dalits are unable to capture good positions of employment thereby losing good status in the society. The way, the Government is running anganwadi centers, government schools and social welfare hostels is pathetic. Despite of the legal provisions and Acts for free and compulsory education, dalit children are denied qualitative childhood and education. As the parents are also illiterates, they are unable to guide their children. Consequently, dalit students are remaining unemployed and are forced to go for daily wage labor work.

Prakash - Program Manager of DSS said that, the society and government have conceptualized the term '*employment for dalits*' to be synonymous as '*daily wage labour*'. The Acts, schemes and entitlements meant for dalits are not being implemented properly. Though the government has announced good amount of subsidies, the schemes are becoming useless due to the denial of banks in giving loans.

Hameed from DRDA said that, they are conducting trainings for dalits on employability skills. For instance, every training program would constitute 35% dalits and 15% minorities. The trained youth are placed into jobs according to their skills. Dalit youth has talent but lack background and support. Hence, government is striving in all possible ways to provide support to them.



Dalits Economic System: The district conference was organised on 6th December 2016 at press club of Vijayawada, Krishna District. The conference was presided over by GDV Prakash, National Program Manager and the Chief Guest was Jhansi Geddam- National Convener and other dignitaries on the dais were Sri Samuel John, Sri Venkat Rao Addl Director of DIC and Venu IPO from District Industries Department, Sri Rajamani from DICCI. The women collective leaders of DSS from various places of the district have participated.

Jhansi exhorted dalit women to strive towards economic empowerment so that they can struggle for equality, liberty, and live in a society free from violence. If government really wants to bring in a change in the lives of dalit women, it should encourage their participation in all aspects. No country in the world has given equal economic opportunity to women till date. If budget is allocated and implemented properly from the primary stages for education, health and employment opportunities, a visible difference can be achieved. Progress in social and political systems happens only when dalit women become partners in the economic system, which is also essential to eliminate violence against women. The budget was never allocated in a gender perspective. Government should work with honesty in terms of creating equal economic opportunities to women according to Ambedkar's ideology.

The speakers said that, economic empowerment is the first step towards achieving equality. There is no effective implementation of women related Acts and Special Acts. Though there are rural development departments and “Velugu” projects working for women, the results are not encouraging. Even the special Act like SCSP/TSP is also a mirage to dalit women below poverty line. This Act is limited to 10 years, and even after 3 years of the enforcement of this Act, the results are at zero level. Venkat Rao said that, there are a number of schemes for the development of dalits and have to be utilized. Dalits would gain success only if they have complete understanding on the selected project. He said that the dalit and adivasi women have good subsidies and difference in their lives is possible only when they become business women and strengthen economically. He guaranteed complete cooperation from their department.

Venu explained on the present schemes, the opportunities and subsidies to establish them. Rajamani spoke on the services rendered by DICCI including capacity building programs, project preparation, negotiating with banks and market linkages etc... Kote Prakash Kumar, presented vote of thanks.

Dalit Women Political System: The district conference was organised on 10th December 2016 at Officers Club, Collectorate, Kakinada, East Godavari District. The conference was presided over by



Rajamani State Coordinator of Andhra Pradesh and the Chief guest was Jhansi Geddam- National Convener and other dignitaries on the dais were Sri GDV Prakash Program Manager of DSS, Sri Pandula RavendraBabu Member of Parliament, Sri Venkateswararao DSP, Sri Muralidhar DSP of Women Cell, Suseela and Kamala State Women Collective leaders and women collective leaders of DSS from various places of the district have participated. The speakers have said that the history says dalit women are the most powerful and independent. Their advent and active participation in politics is the only way to change the present system. This has to be a collective effort.

Jhansi Geddam said that, the social, economic and political systems are stinking with casteism. DSS is striving towards establishing a caste-free society according to Ambedkar's ideology. The present politics are caste based and are ruled by dominant castes. Though East Godavari is a prosperous district, almost all the land is in the hands of dominant caste land lords while dalits are landless. It is the people's representatives who have to raise their voice for the distribution of land. This can only be done by a change in the political power. The present pattern of political power can be changed only when SC, ST, BC and minorities collectively strive for it. Though dalits are elected under reservation, they are not able to take independent decisions due to caste domination. Dalit and adivasi women should move ahead and participate in politics. The active and effective participation of Dalit & Adivasi women in politics brings in equality and equity of caste, class and gender.

Dalit Students Educational System: The district conference was organised on 10th December 2016 at Jabilli Conference Hall, Eluru of West Godavari District. The conference was presided over by



GDV Prakash Program Manager of DSS and the Chief guest was Jhansi Geddam- National Convener and other dignitaries on the dais were Sri Bethala Sudarshan - Ambedkarite, Venkat President of Erukula Hakkula Sangham, Syam from Ambedkar Association, women collective leaders of DSS from various places of the district have participated. The speakers pointed out the lapses in the present education system, its impact on the dalit students and the reluctance of the government in setting right the things. They have described about the ideal educational system and the implementation of common school system to better the lives of dalit youth and help them to come on to the mainstream.

Dalit Women Economic Empowerment: The district conference was organised on 12th December 2016 at Press club, Visakha District. The conference was presided over by GDV Prakash National Program Manager of DSS and the Chief Guest was Jhansi Geddam- National Convener and other dignitaries on the dais were Sri Kaki Prasad AP State Secretary of DICCI, Rajamani, Baghya Laxmi and Vijayakumari Coordinators of DSS. Women collective leaders of DSS from various places of the district have participated. The speakers said that, without economic empowerment, equality cannot be gained. Dalit women were never dependent and have always been earning their livelihood. This is high time that they enter the arena of business and capture power over economic system. In the 3 years of implementation of SCSP/TSP Act, crores of budgets have been allocated to binamis and as a result there is no change in the lives of dalits. The banks are not co-operating the dalit and adivasi women who are entitled to 45% subsidies due to this Act. The speakers explained on the opportunities and subsidies from the industries department, banks, etc. Prasad, representative of DICCI said that dalit women are experts in maintaining houses, hence if they start 'House Keeping Firms', and get contracts from large companies, they would succeed. He also said that anything done at home is a family affair and when it is done outside the house is business. Therefore, we all need shift our thinking and become entrepreneurs by utilizing the opportunities.



Joining Hands

Joining hands with likeminded organizations and working together helps in strengthening equality and human rights. DSS has always been in various networks of NGOs and mass organizations as that would help strengthen dalit women movement for rights and entitlements. Working together can provide us with wider audience, more political strength, experience and knowledge. During the last decade DSS continually participated and associated with various networks on issues. Given the strength and credibility of DSS, it was always invited to be part of networks which was gracefully welcomed and the role taken up by DSS was discharged with commitment. DSS gained lot of knowledge and support through networking which enabled us to be innovative in our programmes. We worked together not only with other NGOs but with government agencies, like participating in Vigilance and Monitoring Committee meetings, organizing Public Hearings involving everyone, Round Table Conferences in which representatives from all political parties, government departments, NGOs and others participated. Likewise, DSS was part of all India networks for lobbying for amendments to SC,ST (PoA) Act.

In 2016, DSS participated in various activities along with other individuals, NGOs and Government agencies as narrated below:

Sneha Prathibha Awards

Sneha group of Organizations organized a meeting to present “Sneha Prathibha Awards 2015” on **12th January 2016** at Ravindra Bharathi, Hyderabad. The dignitaries on the dais were Chairperson of the Sneha Groups Mr K Siva Baghya Rao, Ms. Kalvakuntla Kavitha, MP; Mr Chandulal Naik Minister for Tribal Welfare, Mr Suresh



Kumar Registrar of Osmania University, Prof Syam Sundar State President, Sneha Club, Telangana, MN Boosi Eminent Ambedkarite and Jhansi Geddarn National Convener of DSS. The meeting was presided by Syam Sundar, Sri Siva Baghya Rao in his key note address has briefed about the activities of Sneha in various districts, Sneha TV Channel and the intention behind the Prathibha Awards being presented to the poor students who have topped in 10th class in their respective areas. Later the web site of Sneha TV was launched by Ms Kavitha. Few leaders rendering services to the society were felicitated and Jhansi Geddarn was one among them.

Exposure Visit of MSW Students of TISS

The MSW students of Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Bombay as part of their exposure visit have visited DSS office at Hyderabad on 12th January 2016. Self-introduction of the participants was done and the team lead shared the



objective of the meeting. DSS team lead by its National Convener Jhansi Geddam has shared about the emergence of DSS, its purpose, objectives, goal, activities etc. She said about the various forms of violence faced by dalit women both in & out of house. Later she clarified various doubts raised by the students. The students mostly put the questions around violence, relevant Acts and the measures for remedy available challenges etc.

Preparatory Meeting for 125th Birth Anniversary Celebrations of Dr B R Ambedkar

Social Welfare Department of Andhra Pradesh organized preparatory meeting on **14th February 2016** at Golconda Hotel, Hyderabad. The meeting was presided by Ravela Kishore Babu Minister for Social Welfare Department and the other dignitaries on the dais were Kaki Madhava Rao, IAS Former Chief Secretary, Vijay Kumar IAS Principal Secretary-SWD. The participants were state level dalit organizations, intellectuals, NGOs etc. DSS team participated in the meeting and gave its suggestions.



International Women's Day Celebrations

Ambedkar Open University has organized a conference on the eve of International Women's Day on **9th March 2016** in their University premises. Prof Saroja, Chairperson of Women's Development wing has presided over the conference and the guests of honour were Jhansi Geddam, National Convener of DSS and Prema Malini, Input Editor of TV5. Jhansi Geddam addressing the audience on "Violence against Women & Vicious Culture" has detailed about few major cases they have dealt and the said about the main reasons behind those incidents and has felt that there is a

need to address the root cause. She also explained on the impact of vicious culture on the youth. She made the session interactive and took more inputs from the students/audience and clarified their questions.

Training on SCSP/TSP Act

Dalit Bahujan Front organized training to the youth on SCSP/TSP Act at Chevella on **22nd March 2016**. About 60 youth have participated in the training and Sri Upendar Circle Inspector of Police of Chevella was the Chief Guest. The other dignitaries were B Baghya Laxmi State Coordinator DSS, Shankar and Mogulaiah from DBF. Mogulaiah presided over and detailed about the interventions of DBF on land and explained on the advent of SCSP/TSP Act. Upender addressing the youth said that the youth should have knowledge on Acts and should possess a goal. We need to mentor the children from child hood, tell them about the biographies of the prominent national and international leaders and ensure that the children walk in the footsteps of these leaders. Baghya Laxmi said that Dalit Sthree Sakthi has been working for the protection and promotion of the rights of dalit communities for the past 10 years in the district. She also detailed about the pains taken by DSS at state level in bringing this Act. She detailed about the important aspects in the Act and said that the Act, quantum of subsidy for women and men, requirement of population % for infrastructured development, schemes under service sector and manufacture sector.

“Pay Back to the Society” Calendar Release

The youth of Siripuram, Mominpet mandal of Ranga Reddy district having been inspired through DSS, have registered an organization by name “Pay Back to the Society”. The youth were contributing on their own and doing service to the community. They have printed a calendar with a view of spreading the concept. They have come all the way to DSS State Office in Hyderabad and got the calendar released by Jhansi Geddarn, National Convener of DSS on 23rd March 2016.



125th Birth Anniversary Celebrations of Dr B R Ambedkar

Salarjung Museum in association with DICCI has organized a workshop on **10th April 2016** on the eve of 125th birth anniversary of Dr BR Ambedkar at Seminar Hall, Salarjung Museum. The workshop was organized sessions wise and in the session “Ambedkar Socio Economic Rights”, Jhansi Geddarn the national convener of DSS was one of the panel members along with Narra Ravi Kumar, Prof Sripathiv Ramudu from HCU and Prof Bhangya Bhukya from OU. Jhansi Geddarn speaking on the topic, said that Ambedkar fought for the rights of women and raised the same as Hindu Code Bill in the parliament facing tough retaliation. There is a need to follow his footsteps and strive for the economic independence of dalit women.

125th Birth Anniversary Celebrations of Dr B R Ambedkar

Jai Bheem Youvajana Samaikhya of Palukuru in Prakasam District has organized a public meeting on **30th April 2016** on the eve of 125th birth anniversary of Dr BR Ambedkar. Addressing the mammoth crowd Jhansi Geddarn has said it is very inspiring that the youth in the village are well organized, disciplined and very active though it is late night. Youth are the backbone of the nation and the future lies on them. Therefore, the youth carry on their shoulders the responsibility of mainstreaming the dalit community and their main focus should be on dalit women. They need to involve the dalit women in all aspects and ensure their real participation.

Run for Caste Free Society

On the eve of 125th Ambedkar's birth anniversary Shanti Chakra International has organized Run for Caste Free Society on **14th April 2014** at People's Plaza, Necklace Road, Hyderabad. The meeting was presided by Sri Narra Ravi Kumar, founder member of Shanthi Chakra International. The dignitaries on the dais were Kadiyam Sridhar Dy CM, Maheshwar Reddy- Minister, Devulapalli Amar Eminent Journalist, Prof Kodandaram, Prof Satyanarayana, Jhansi Geddarn of DSS and many other eminent personalities, representatives of various organizations. Youth in thousands have participated in the run. Everyone took an oath to endeavor for a caste free society. The run was launched and preceded till Ambedkar statue, Tank Bund, Hyderabad.





Inauguration of Dr B R Ambedkar's Statue at Bodampahad

Ambedkar Youth organization of Bodampahad village, Shabad mandal, Rangareddy District on the eve of 125th Birth Anniversary have installed Ambedkar statue in their village on **28th April 2016**. On this occasion a public meeting was organized under the leadership of the youth organization. Sri Kalyan Chakravarthi IAS, Director ETPRI the Chief Guest has inaugurated the

Ambedkar statue and the other dignitaries were Jhansi Geddam National Convener and Bhagya Laxmi State Coordinator of DSS. Sri Kalyan Chakravarthi said that Ambedkar is the only one person who fought for equality and liberty to the poorest of the poor. Ambedkar is all in one i.e., socialist, economist, historian and what not. He insisted that the youth need to play a prominent role in bringing up the community and therefore all need to become economically strong and strive to uplift our community. Youth need to become givers and not takers.

Inauguration of Dr B R Ambedkar's Statue at Gopalpur

Ambedkar Youth Association of Gopalpur village, Alkathurthi mandal, Karimnagar have inaugurated Ambedkar statue in their village on the eve of 125th Birth Anniversary of Ambedkar on **16th May 2016**, followed by public meeting. The meeting was presided by Samba Murthy President of the organization. The chief guests were Mallepalli Laxmaiah senior journalist, Jayaraj Eminent writer & singer, Jhansi Geddam National Convener of DSS, Sudarshan from Osmania University and local politicians and Heads of the Ambedkar organizations. All the speakers said that Ambedkar ideology is the only way for better future of the community and development of our state.

Stand up India Workshop

Social Welfare Department of Andhra Pradesh organized a one-day workshop on **17th May 2016** at Hotel Murali Fortune, Vijayawada. The meeting was presided by Sri Caleb General Manager - SC



Corporation. The chief guest of the meeting was Ravela Kishore Babu Minister Social Welfare Department Govt of AP, and the other dignitaries on the dais were Padmasri Narra Ravi Kumar & Madhusudhana Rao from DICCI, Jhansi Geddam from DSS, General Managers of SIDBI and NABARD. GMs of District Industries Centres, District Lead Bank Managers, Executive Directors of SC Corporation, officials of the different banking and Industries sector and DICCI coordinators from all the districts, DSS Women Collective members from various districts of the state have participated in the meeting. In the keynote address the minister has explained about various schemes, backend subsidy and the bank linkages. He said that a series of meetings were held with the bankers to strengthen them and sensitize for



positive approach. The other dignitaries shared their experiences in accessing the banks for linkages and the issues to be resolved for faster linkages.

Regional Consultation on “Draft National Policy for Women 2016”

State Women Commission of Telangana has called for a discussion on “Draft National Policy for Women, 2016” on **5th June 2016** at its office in Buddha Bhavan, Hyderabad. Tripurana Venkataratnam Chairperson of the Women Commission-Telangana has presided over and the member of National Commission for Women, Smt. Rekha Sharma was the chief guest. The representatives of various organizations such as Sandhya-POW, Satyavathi from Bhoomika, Ambika from Amanvedhika, Vimala Morthala-Advocate, K Sudhakar from DSS have participated in the discussions. In her presidential address Tripurana Venkataratnam has briefed about the objective of the consultation and the chief guest has detailed about the features of the draft policy and the main aspects covered. Elaborate discussions were made by the participants and many shortcomings in the policy were pointed out. The participants have felt that the policy is of no use to the downtrodden and it seems to aim in only transforming & sustain Millennium Development goals, otherwise its for name sake. The organizers have assured the participants to include all their suggestions and forward them to the central government.

Discussion on Draft National Policy for Women, 2016

Beti Zindabad in collaboration with Action Aid India conducted discussion on Draft National Policy for Women, 2016 on **7th June, 2016** at Sundaraiah Vignana Kedram, Hyderabad to seek suggestions for making the National policy for Empowerment of Women more inclusive. Anjaneyulu from Action Aid gave the welcome address and Dr. Rukmini Rao from Gramya has moderated the session. Dalit Sthree Sakthi National Convener Jhansi Geddam and National Coordinator Sudhakar and Samantha participated along with various other organizations across both the states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. In the open discussions, all the participants expressed that the time is too short, the formulation of the draft policy is giving an indication that the government is not keen on the policy to mainstream the women and similarly the bill lacks emphasis on Dalit, Adivasi, Muslim women and their issues have been clubbed and generalized. Jhansi Geddam has stressed for specific focus on Dalit, Adivasi, Muslim women and the discussions should be at a wider level, go to grass root level, share with them and include their concerns. The policy needs to be translated into local language and ample discussions at all levels have to be done. Later groups were made on topic wise such as Health, Food Security & Nutrition, Education, Economy, Agriculture, Industry, Governance & Decision making as mentioned in the Draft policy.

Lecture on Ambedkar Ideology

All India SC, ST Railway Employees Association has organized the lecture on **11th June 2016** at its office in Vijayawada. As part of Ambedkar Siddhantha Adhyayana Taragatulu lectures are organized on every second Saturday. In this meeting the dignitaries were Sri T Sravan Kumar MLA to speak on “Dalits Political Power”, Sri Jhansi Geddam on “Dalit Women Present Scenario, Sri Korrapati Suresh Kumar on Government Schemes and Entrepreneurship. Sri Kondala Rao president of the association presided the meeting and gave a brief introduction about the association's activities and the objective of the lectures.

Jhansi Geddam National Convener of DSS said that as Ambedkarites, we need to follow his ideology. He fought for Hindu Code Bill in the parliament, which ultimately led to his resignation due to high resentment from many parliamentarians. Pointing out the quorum on the stage and in the meeting, she said that 95% of them are men, where it should have been filled with 50% women. Not ensuring participation of dalit women is one of the reasons for the failure of dalit movement. Following Ambedkar's ideology means practicing it, where Ambedkarites should ensure that the empty spaces in houses, work places and meetings are filled with women. She said that knowledge on gender perspective should be given from childhood. Later she clarified the questions raised from the floor.

SC, ST Officers Forum Meeting

SC, ST Officers Forum monthly review Meeting was held at Ambedkar Bhavan, Lower Tank Bund, Hyderabad on 1st July 2016 at 6.00pm. The meeting was presided over by Sri Kaki Madhava Rao IAS, Chairperson of the forum. Some of the other members (state level officers) and Programme Manager of DSS have attended the meeting. After the welcome address by the chairperson, GD Vijay Prakash Programme Manager of DSS has detailed about the Hyderabad Public School incident and asked for their intervention. The chairperson has said to procure further authentic details, approach the Minister for Education and National Commission for Scheduled Castes as it has the power to summon. Similarly, he said that the forum shall ask Member of NCSC to conduct an open enquiry and instructed DSS to submit a representation to NCSC. The other issues of some of the members were discussed and the forum meeting was over after the vote of thanks from Sri Subba Rao IAS., OSD to SC Commission of Telangana.

Budhuni Samyukta Sambhashanalu - Book Release

The book, **Buddhuni Samyukta Sambhashanalu** translated from Pali to Telugu language by Sri Annapareddy Buddha Ghoshudu was released on 7th September, 2016 at *Potti Sri Ramulu Telugu University*, Nampally, Hyderabad. The interactions of Buddha are translated and published in 6 volumes. This program was organized by **Latha Raja Foundation**. Sri KK Raja facilitated the program. Sri Chennuru Anjaneya Reddy, Sri Mamidi Harikrishna, Sri Eemani Shivanagi Reddy and Sri Mungara Jashuva were invited to release these book volumes in the presence of large number of social activists, intellectuals, eminent personalities from literature, primarily Buddhists. Some of the dignitaries spoke on the occasion on Buddhism, its evolution and to understand its importance to break the rigid concepts of religions. Sri Jhansi Geddam, National Convener, Dalit Sthree Sakthi and team attended the meeting.

Felicitation by SC, ST Officers Forum



Date: 30th July, 2016

Venue: The Golconda Hotel, Masab Tank, Hyderabad

A grand felicitation program was organized by SC, ST Officers Forum at Hotel Golconda, Masab Tank, Hyderabad on 30th July 2016. Anita Mahadas, General Manager, Postal Department and Dr. N. Siddoji Rao, members of the Forum facilitated the program. Sri Kaki Madhava Rao, Chairman of the Forum; K. Praveen Kumar, IAS; R. S. Praveen Kumar, IPS; Kaki Sunitha, IAS; Bharath Bhushan,

Ramesh Bangar, IRS, Commissioner, Income Tax; Balram Naik, IRS; Dr. Goutham, Dr. Narasimha Rao; Jagadesh, Padmavathi and Rama Krishna from BSNL; and other members participated in the program. Three strong women - Dr. Manisha Bangar, Jhansi Geddarn and Prof. Surepalli Sujatha were felicitated. Jhansi Geddarn said that, DSS has completed 10 years and entered into 11th year recently and explained about its emergence and work. She reminded them of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's words saying that if they cannot take the movement forward, they can leave where it is, but should not take it backwards. She thanked the forum for felicitating her.

Condolence Meeting in Memory of Sri Bojja Tharakam

Shanthi Chakra International has organized a condolence meeting in memory of legend Sri Bojja Tharakam on 18th September 2016 at its office, Hyderabad. The dignitaries paid tributes to the photo of Sri Bojja Tharakam. Jhansi Geddarn National Convener of DSS, Kameswara Rao & Anjaiah of RPI-AP and Padmasri Narra Ravi Kumar Vice President of DICCI-India were the main speakers. They shared their association with Sri Bojja Tharakam and said that he was very matured & dashing right from the school days and has relentlessly fought for 40 years in protecting the human rights in both the Telugu states. He has worked with honesty and never bowed his head at any juncture. He has lead from the forefront the movements of massacres such as Karamchedu, Tsundur, Laximpet from the first day and similarly waged the legal battle on these cases till his last breath.

Sri Bojja Tharakam Condolence Meeting

Sri Bojja Tharakam was an eminent dalit rights and human rights legend. He was a senior advocate, who fought on the side of victims in many challenging cases which includes the Karamchedu, Tsundur and Laximpet massacres. He was one of the intellectuals with great knowledge and a valor to raise a strong voice against the State. He demised on 16th September 2016. Dalit and Adivasi organizations from both the Telugu states formed as a committee, named '**Bojja Tharakam Smaraka Samsarana Committee**' and planned to conduct a condolence meeting. DSS is one of the members of the committee. 5 preparatory meetings were held and the condolence meeting was held on 27th October 2016 at



Indira Priyadarshini Auditorium in Hyderabad. The Condolence Meeting was presided by Sri Kaki Madhava Rao, IAS, Former Chief Secretary and Prof Anand Telkumbde was the chief guest. The other dignitaries on the dais were Dr. Ghanta Chakrapani Chairman-TSPSC, Sri Mallepalli Lakshmaiah, Spl. Officer, Buddhist Center, Sri Jhansi Geddarn, National Convener, Dalit Sthree Sakthi; Sri Gogu Shyamala, writer; Prof. Sudha Rani, DBRAOU; Sri Narra Ravi Kumar, South India President, DICCI; Sri Gaddar & Sri Goreti Venkanna Revolutionary Singers, Sri Prem Kumar and others. The dignitaries on the dais and of the dais shared their association with Sri Bojja Tharakam. DSS team and women

collective leaders from both the states participated in the meeting in large number. They gave slogans on Sri Bojja Tarakam and sang songs on Ambedkar's ideology. The dignitaries, in their speeches, suggested for the ways forward to carry on the revolutionary work & ideology of Tharakam. Sri Kaki Madhava Rao consolidated and summed up the suggestions.

Book Release Godhanam by Satish Chander

A book titled Godhanam was written by Sri Satish Chander. The launch took place at Sundaraiah Vignaya Kendram, Baghlingampally, Hyderabad. The book was released by Sri Volga, a famous feminist Telugu writer. The meeting was presided over by Sri Sannidhanam Narasimha Sharma. The other dignitaries invited were Sri Sunil Kumar, IPS (also a Telugu writer), Sri Kuppili Padma, writer; Sri Praveen Kumar, IPS, Sri Telidevara Bhanu Murthy, writer and others. Renowned personalities like Sri Kaki Madhava Rao, IAS; Sri Sandhya, POW; Narra Ravi Kumar, DICCI; Sri Shankar, SC, ST Welfare Association; Sri Gnaneshwar and others attended the meeting. Sri Jhansi Geddam, National Convener, Dalit Sthree Sakthi took part in the book release along with her team.

Swabhimana Sangarsh Yatra

Swabhimana Sangarsh Yatra (SSY) is a campaign launched at national level to show the strength of dalits and its sympathizers to raise its voice against moves of Hindutva forces. The campaign is headed by Sri Prakash Ambedkar and massive rallies are being organized at various state capitals. Hindutva forces are planning to change the Constitution, make caste & religion as centre stage and are planning in such a way that the coming general elections in 2019 will be the last. If the Hindutva forces win they will leave no stone unturned and if they loose the religionists who are 21% of the population will have no other go than to try for a change. Therefore, to put a check for this move of Hindutva forces SSY's objective is to educate by organizing the masses. In this context, Prakash Ambedkar has visited Hyderabad twice on 28th September & 16th October 2016 and a meeting with all like-minded organizations was organized under the chairmanship of Sri Kaki Madhava Rao, IAS., at Ambedkar Bhavan and Officers Forum, Hyderabad. It has been decided to hold a mammoth rally followed by public meeting at Dharna Chowk, Hyderabad on 27th November. DSS team attended both the meetings, expressed its solidarity and decided to play an active role in mobilization of masses.

Interactive Session between Civil Society Organizations and British Parliamentarians

An interactive session between the Indian Civil Society Organizations and British Parliamentarians was organized for situation analysis of various issues in India on 10th November 2016 at British Council Library, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad. **Sri Girija**, freelance consultant facilitated the meeting. **Sri Rukmini Rao**, Social and Rural Development Activist, **Sri Sunitha Krishnan**, Prajwala, **Sri Kiran**, Raitu Swarajya Vedika, **Sri Usha Sita Lakshmi** activist on Land Entitlement to Women, **Sri Murali**, MARI, **Sri Sudha Rani**, **Dr. Lavanya**, Nireekshana, **Monisha**, Rubaru and **Sri K. Satyavathi**, Bhoomika attended the meeting. **Sri Jhansi Geddam**, National Convener, DSS said that Dalit Sthree Sakthi has been working over a decade on the empowerment of dalit women and girl children in the two Telugu states. Dalit women face all kinds of exploitation in every sphere. Dalit women have special laws but there is no implementation due to hypocrisy and lack of commitment among the stakeholders in addressing the root cause. DSS has been dealing with hundreds of major atrocity cases like rapes, gang rapes, murders, mass attacks but there is no legal justice done. Later **Nusrat Ghani**, MP of Wealden, London and **Virendra Sharma**, MP for Ealing Southall, London spoke on various issues and

forms of discrimination in India and London. **Sri Nalini Raghuraman**, Political Economy Advisor, British Deputy High Commission, Hyderabad concluded the meeting with vote of thanks.

Role of Women in Rural Governance

A consultative program on Role of Women in Rural Governance was organized by Sehgal Foundation, Gurgaon; FTAPCCI, Hyderabad and NIRD, Hyderabad on 15th December, 2016 at Conference Hall I, NIRD Campus, Hyderabad. Ajay Pandey, CEO of Sehgal Foundation; Gowra Srinivas, Sr. Vice-President, FTAPCCI and Supriya Bhalerao, Fr. Vice President, FTAPCCI-FWB took the welcome and overview session. The key note address was given by M Gopala Krishna, IAS Retd. CS Reddy, MD & CEO of APMAS spoke on good rural governance role of women self-help groups. J. Lakshmi, Associate Director, Centre for Good Governance spoke on local governance and PRIs in Telangana State. A special address was given by Dr. WR Reddy, IAS, DG of NIRD. Other dignitaries were Dr. M. Sarumathy, NIRD P. Venugopal Reddy, Eklavya Foundation; Prof. Srinivas Suriseti, TISS; Anjali Makhija, Sehgal Foundation; Debika Goswami, Sehgal Foundation and Madhava Reddy Yadma, Vandemataram Foundation. The consultation was divided into two sessions discussion on sharing of best practices in accessing entitlements and participation of elected women representatives in WASH, agriculture and village level institutions. After the end of each session, open house discussions were held.

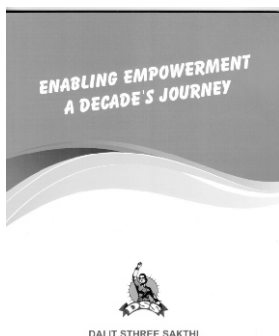
Sneha Pratibha Awards

Sneha group of Organizations organized a meeting to present “Sneha Prathibha Awards 2016” on **22nd December 2016** at Ravindra Bharathi, Hyderabad. The dignitaries on the dais were Chairperson of the Sneha Groups Mr K Siva Baghya Rao, Prof. Ghanta Chakrapani, TSPSC Chairperson; BS Ramulu, Chairman Telangana State Commission for Backward Classes; MN Boosi, Ambedkarite; Prof. Shyam Sunder, President Sneha Club; Narra Ravi Kumar, South India President, DICCI, JB Raju, Dr. Venkateshwarlu and Jhansi Geddam National Convener of DSS and others. The meeting was presided by Syam Sundar. Sri Siva Baghya Rao in his key note address has briefed about the activities of Sneha group of organizations in various states and intention behind the Prathibha Awards being presented to the poor students who have topped in 10th class from social welfare and tribal welfare hostels. Prof. Ghanta Chakrapani and BS Ramulu were felicitated. All the speakers said that encouraging the dalit students- the future generation directly has a positive influence on the dalit community.

Publications

It is important for an organization to bring out publications of its activities and other aspects like relevant laws, rules for the benefit of its stakeholder.

DSS always gave importance to publishing its study findings on any subject, annual reports, important laws etc. Publications, particularly in regional language, goes a long way in enlightening the cadre and people on the concerned subject. Publications serve as a record of the organization's activities with dates/time/places and can be used for future reference purposes. In 2016, DSS brought out the following publications which were widely circulated.

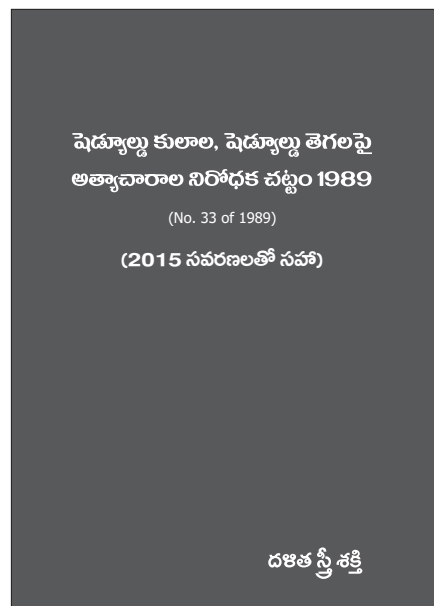
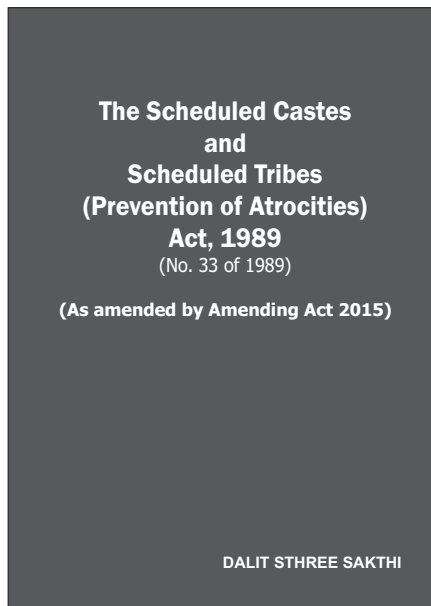
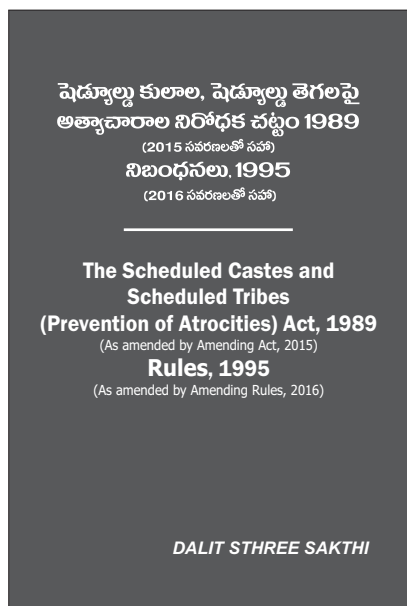


Enabling Empowerment: A Decades Journey:

On the occasion of completing 10 years, DSS published a decade report of its 10 years journey, titled “ Enabling Empowerment - A Decade's Journey”. This book containing 120pages was a review of the activities of DSS in the past 10 years. This book received wide acclamation among the intellectuals, officials and NGOs. DSS team and cadre were able to look back at the quantum of work turned during the period and feel emboldened.

SC,ST (PoA) Act 2015 and Rules 2016 in English and Telugu:

The 2015/2016 amendments to the SC,ST (PoA) Act and Rules were so wide ranging that almost the original Act was re-written. The passage of the amending Act and Rules was a historic moment and was widely reported in the press. DSS spear-headed the campaign for amendments to the Act continuously for all most 5 years in both the Telugu states, similarly having consultations with the Social Welfare Department and also played an active role at the national level. For those interested in knowing the totality of the new provisions, they have to refer only to the Gazette notification, which is so confusing and doesn't includes the provisions of old Act.. Unless a person keeps the old Act and amending Act and reads and makes note of changes, he/she can't know what is the present position. In such a situation, without losing any time, DSS published the Act as amended which came in handy not only for activists and general public but also for officials, police and others. Likewise the Rules as amended was also brought out by DSS.

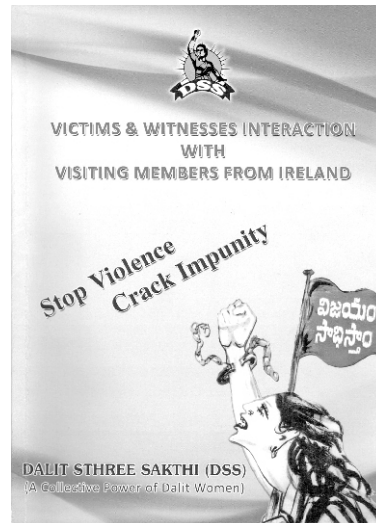


The Act and Rules were instantly translated into Telugu and published. The clauses have been placed in chronological order along with the amendments which have been printed in BOLD letters. The Telugu publication is highly useful to the entire cadre, team and activists.

Later, a consolidated book of the Act and Rules in both the languages was published, which is serving as a ready reckoner for all concerned.

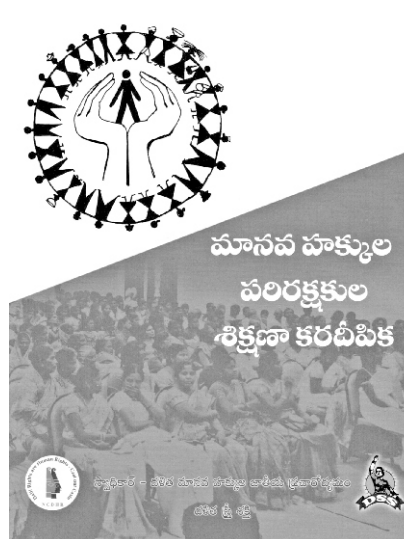
Jury Kits:

Jury Kits were prepared and published twice. These jury kits provide the details of cases with violations and issues resolved by DSS. These jury kits were presented to the 2 teams from Ireland which visited DSS in the month of July 2016. The victims have narrated their agony to the visitors questioning the impunity.



Training Manual for Human Rights Defenders

Dss has Translated the Training Manual into Telugu language Published by NDMJ. The manual is being used by the Human Rights defenders and the women collective leaders after the training given to them. The manual consists of National and International human rights, SC/ST PoA Act, Fact finding skills, Child rights etc. The manual is named as "Manava Hakkula Parirakshakula Sikshana Karadeepika".



Media

Print and Electronic Media play a very important role in impacting the society as everyone almost every day of our lives are exposed to the media in at least one form or another. Television shows, magazines, newspapers, radio broadcasts, video games, books, and the internet are all different outlets of media produced and published images and ideas that are circulated and communicated around communities, nations and the world.

Coverage of dalits, dalit women often are highly misrepresented in mainstream media. Till recently A 'news blackout' of dalit women's and dalit issues existed which prevented the public's understanding of dalit women reality. It's only during the last decade there was a change in the media perspectives and now at least a section of the media is viewing dalit issues from the angle of violation of human rights and caste. Still there is lot to improve.

Media coverage also depend on the issue, the credibility of the organization and other factors. Print and electronic media in the States of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana has always been cordial towards DSS activities and dalit women issues raised by DSS. Media personnel were involved by DSS in its Public Hearings, Round Table Conferences and campaigns. Print and electronic media was always positive in the coverage of DSS fact finding reports and press statements, thereby giving visibility to dalit women issues and the organization's activities. There was good coverage of DSS activities in the district centres and at state level. The advantage with media coverage is that the dalit women's human rights reach the people at large and sensitize them. News coverage will also impact the police and other government personnel to discharge their duties properly. Few press clippings during the year 2016 are given bellow :

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భారతి వాటర్ప్లాంటును ప్రారంభిస్తున్న ఎంపీపీ బాలీరాజ్

వివేక: సురక్షితమైన నీటితోనే ఆరోగ్యం బాగుంటుందని వివేక మండల పరిషత్ అధ్యక్షుడు ఎం.బాలరాజు పేర్కొన్నారు. మండల కేంద్రంలో నూతనంగా ఏర్పాటుచేసిన భారతి మినరల్ వాటర్ షాంట్‌ను బుధ వారం ఆయన ప్రారంభించారు. అంబేద్కర్ విగ్రహానికి పూలమాలలు వేసి మనంగా నివాళులర్పించారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా ఆయన మహా భూమి... సురక్షితమైన మంచినిరు తాగాలనే ఆలోచన, చైతన్యం ప్రతి

జక్కురిలో రావడం హరించదగిన పరిణామమన్నారు. కలుషితమైన నీరు తాగడం వల్లనే ఎన్నో ఆరోగ్య గర్భవైన సమస్యలు తలెత్తుతాయని విషయాన్ని ఇప్పటికే వైద్యులు డ్రుపీకరించారని తెలిపారు. వేపూత పాటుగా గ్రామాల్లో సైతం తాగునీటి కొరత రాకుండా అన్ని చర్యలు తీసుకుంటున్నామని వివరించారు. రెండు మూడు సంవత్సరాలుగా తీవ్ర వర్షాభావం పరిస్థితులు నెలకొన్న దృష్ట్యా నీటి కొరత ఏర్పడినా ప్రజలకు లెంపంట ఇబ్బందులు కలుగకుండా జాగ్రత్తలు తీసుకుంటున్నామని తెలిపారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో డిసీసీ మాజీ అధ్యక్షుడు పి.వెంకటస్వామి, దళితసృష్టి ప్రో గ్రాం రాష్ట్ర ఇన్‌చార్జ్ ప్ర.కా. రాష్ట్ర ఛైర్ పర్సన్ గడ్డం రూస్సీ, రాష్ట్ర కో-ఆర్డినేటర్ భాగ్యలక్ష్మి, కాంగ్రెస్ జిల్లా ప్రధాన కార్యదర్శి సి.గోపాల్రెడ్డి, దళిత రత్న అవార్డు గ్రహీత బి.ప్రభాకర్, పలు పార్టీల నాయకులు వెంకట్రెడ్డి, ఆగిరెడ్డి, వనంతుం, బి.రవీంద్రుల రామస్వామి, బానిశి, తీపిపల్లి శ్రీనివాస్, విఠలయ్య పాల్గొన్నారు.

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JUDGE, Judge K.G. Anwar stressed on the need for awareness of rights and responsibilities of human rights among the people.

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The opinion that there were lot of Acts and laws for the protection of Dalits but a majority of them were not being implemented by the government, was also felt there was no need of making new Acts and laws if the suppressed classes achieve good education and awareness about the laws. Mr Sankar said that he observed about 1000 people in the ST Atrocities Prevention Act and sought stopping misuse of the laws. ISS national convenor G. Jhansi said that ISS is organizing the training through the media, video, print presentation and video/audio modules. AP Law University former registrar Prof A. Subramanyam and others addressed the first day of the training programme.

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మహిళలపై అత్యాచారాలు అరికట్టాలి

అంబాజోడిపేట : మహిళలు, బాలికలపై జరుగుతున్న అత్యాచారాలు, దాడులకు ప్రభుత్వమే బాధ్యత వహించి అరికట్టాలని కోరు తూ పలు నాగుల మహిళలు డిమాండ్ చేశారు. అంబాజోడిపేట నాగుల రోడ్డు సెంటర్లో దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి ఆధ్వర్యంలో గరుడవారి దర్బారు నిర్వహించారు. అనంతరం దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి రాష్ట్ర శక్తి ఆర్గనైజర్ కొంకి రాజామణి మాట్లాడుతూ కన్నకుతుం పై మద్యం తాగి అత్యాచారానికి పాల్పడిడం సభ్య సమాజానికి సిగ్గు చేటనన్నారు. నిందితుడు ఎంతటివాడైనా కఠినంగా శిక్షించాలని డిమాండ్ చేశారు. ప్రభుత్వం మద్యం దుకాణాలను, బెల్టు షాపులను ప్రాశస్త్యపెచ్చునూరిని విమర్శించారు. అత్యాచార పాల్పడిన కామంధుడిని కఠినంగా శిక్షించి, బాలిక స్వామిం చేయాలని డిమాండ్ చేశారు. అనంతరం సెంటర్లో ప్రభుత్వ డిప్యూటీ మున్సిపల్ సానిటేరియోఫీసరు చేయాలని డిమాండ్ చేశారు.



అంబాజీపేట సెంటర్‌లో ప్రభుత్వ దిష్టిబొమ్మను
దగ్గం చేస్తున్న మహిళలు

కార్యక్రమంలో మదర్ థెరిస్సా యూత్ అసోసియేషన్
అధ్యక్షుడు గుత్తాల డీనబాబు, వై. సత్యవతి, ఎన్.
శ్రీనివాస్, కుసుమే సుశీల, ఎం. మంగాదేవి, ఎం.
మరియమ్మ తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

వివక్షలేని విద్యాలయాలతోనే దళిత జాతికి విముక్తి

దళిత స్త్రీలకు జాతీయ కన్సీనర్ యూనిట్

గురువారు: విద్యాలయంలో వివక్షలేనట్లు దోతూరిలోను ముప్పల్లి రోడ్డువెనుకటూరిలోనూ ప్రత్యేక కమిషన్ వేసినట్లు గృహం తెలిపి సులభమైన భవనంలో పూర్తి కార్యక్రమం హాల్లో ఉంచాలి బిడింగ్ సమావేశంలో ఉన్న మాతృకలకు వారి నిర్దానం బోధాంశంలో ఆపాది, పిల్లలను అనేక సమావేశాలు వైపు ముందుంచేలా చేయాలి నూరించింబారు, తన దిశగా అందరూ కృషిచేయాలి కోరారు. ప్రభుత్వాలకు వివిధ సమాజాలకు చేస్తున్నామని, ఎంతో చేస్తున్నామని చెబుతున్న పాఠశాలకు దీనినీ మార్చుకోవాలి అంటేనేన పట్టణం చేశారు. పాఠశాలల స్థితి, మార్పులను ప్రభుత్వం బలీతీ ఉండాలి. ముఖ్యమంత్రి హోదాలోనే అవసరం ఉండాలి.



మాట్లాడుతున్న యూనీ, వేదికపై కిషోర్ తదితరులు

వేశంలో ప్రోగ్రాం మేనేజర్ దానియేల్ ప్రకాష్, రాష్ట్ర కో-ఆర్డినేటర్ రాజామణి, జిల్లా కో-ఆర్డినేటర్ విజయకుమారి, డిప్యూటీ విద్యాశాఖాధికారి పిల్లి రమేష్ తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

శుక్రవారం 22 జనవరి 2016

ఈనాడు తూర్పుగోదావరి

‘కుల విద్వేషాలు రెచ్చగొట్టొద్దు’

అమలాపురం, నూనీబుడే: విశ్వ విద్యాలయాల దేశ సమరంగా ఉండాలని... కుర్ర మత విద్యనూలు పెళ్ళాళ్ళతో సహాపదనీ దగ్గిరేన్నో, జిల్లా ప్రసిద్ధి కోటి రాజాజీ అన్నాడు. అలాంటి భావాలతోనే భాషా ప్రభుత్వం ఆజ్ఞాపించినందున 'మేమి విమర్శించాడు. పాపినీయూలో లోకావళి మర్రి పచ్చ నూతనం వ్యక్తం చేస్తూ అమలాపురంలో గురిపెనూ పురికొల్పే ప్రేమ, నూతనం' అమె మూడవవరకు భావ్యమంతలో నచ్చునది, ముగించేది, కెనసీల, ఎన్. క్రిస్టియన్ పాల్సన్నాడు.

గడియారస్తంభం: రోహిత్
మృతి సంఘటనపై విచార
రణ చేయించాలని ఆంధ్రప్ర
దేశ్ మాదిగ ఎంపిషాయాస్
సమాఖ్య జిల్లా అధ్యక్షుడు
మదికి శ్రీరాములు
డిమాండు చేశారు. స్థాని
కంగా జరిగిన సమావేశ
లో నలుగురు సమాఖ్య

సాయములు మాట్లాడుతూ రోహిత్ మృతికి కారకులను
సంగ జైలించాలని కోరారు. తెన్నేటి రాజబాబు, మడికి
నారాయణ, యార్లగడ్డ రవీంద్ర, బూర సర్వారాయ
మడికి వసంతరావు, సొండ్రు లక్ష్మణరావు, వెంకటేశ్వర
కృపావరం, ఇ. సత్యనారాయణ తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

ఎస్. కొత్తపాపి (ఉప్పలగుప్తు): యూనివర్సిటీ విద్యార్థులు రోజుకీ మౌలిక కారణాలైన వారిని కనీసం శిక్షించామంటే గురువారం ఎన్.కో.లో బ్రిలో మాటలుచూసిన అధ్యక్షుడు కొంత వెంటబట్టి ఆధ్వర్యంలో ధని నిర్వహించారు. ఓ.వి. నాయకులు, పాఠశాల విద్యార్థులు ప్రభువులు బట్టి రాస్తారో? చేసా సర్దుంచి లెక్కరాముడుకు వచ్చి కొంతమంది, గ్రామీణులు.



సమావేశంలో మాట్లాడుతున్న దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి ప్రతినిధి రాజామణి పాల్గొన్నారు.

బుధవారం, 27 జనవరి 2016

హైదరాబాద్ నమస్తే తెలంగాణ

అభివృద్ధికి దూరంగా పేద వర్గాలు

రవీంద్రబాబుతో, జనవరి 26 : సామాజిక, ఆర్థిక, రాజకీయ అభివృద్ధిలో పేరులు వెనుకబడి ఉన్నారని సీనియర్ న్యాయవాది బొమ్మే శారదాచంద్ర అన్నారు. చరిత్రలోని అనేక ముఖ్యమంది రంలో మంగళవారం 'గివీ ఆల్ అవర్ కాన్ఫెన్స్ టూర్నామెంట్' (రాజ్యాంగాన్ని సుక్ష్మంగా అవసరించు) అనే సీనియర్లలో దశత స్త్రీ స్థానం ఆధారపడింది నిర్వహించిన ప్రశ్నలో ఆయన ముఖ్య అతిథిగా పాల్గొని ప్రసంగించారు. మనస్సు విలువను తెలిపింది రాజ్యాంగమునని, దాన్ని సరిగ్గా రీడర్ చేసి అయినా సుక్ష్మంగా



మాటాడుతున్న న్యాయవాది బొజ్జా తారకం

అమలు జరగడం లేదన్నారు. మనిషికి సమానంగా ఓటు హక్కు కల్పించినా విలువల్లో అసమానత ఉందన్నారు. ముఖ్యంగా కులవ్యవస్థతో ఈ అసమానత ఎక్కువ ఉంద

న్నారు. అన్ని వర్గాలు సమానత్వం సాధించాలని చెప్పిన రాజ్యాంగం అమలులో పాలకులు వివక్షను చూపుతున్నారన్నారు. సతీష్ చందర్ మాట్లాడుతూ అంబేద్కర్ ఆశయా

సీనియర్ న్యాయవాది బొజ్జా తారకం

లకు విరుద్ధంగా రాజ్యాంగాన్ని పెట్టుబడిదారీ వర్గాలు వారికి అనుగుణంగా మలుచుకుంటూ వేదవేదా రాజ్యాంగ వ్రాసాల దక్కుచుండూ చేస్తున్నారని ఊహించడం. మన చరణం, మహాత్మాగా శ్రేణులు అంతమవుతున్నారానికి అత్యంత శక్తులన్నీ వికసనమయ్యాయన్నారు. సెంట్రల్ యూనివర్సిటీ ప్రొఫెసర్ ప్రభుతి రామయ్య భాగవతాచార్యులు శివరాత్రియందు జాతీయ ధోరణులలో కూగటమవ్వాలన్నారు. దగ్గరి వేళ్ళ శక్తి జాతీయ కల్పనలో దూర్బాన్ని గెలం అందజేసే అజరిగిన నభలో అలిండియన్ దగ్గరి మానవమార్కుల సంఘం వ్యవస్థాపకులు అనందదయా, ఐదుమి, వివిధాల పోరం వెనార్ని దా. అనంద, దగ్గరి వేళ్ళ జాతీయ ప్రాంతం మేనేజర్ దానియేల ప్రకాశ్ తరతరులు పోలారు.



రవీంద్రభారతి: మాట్లాడుతున్న బొజ్జా తారకం

ఫోరం ఇన్‌చార్జ్ డాక్టర్ సిద్ధాజి, జాతీయ పోగ్రాం మేనేజర్ డానియేల్ ప్రకాష్, సుహృదృత పాల్గొన్నారు.

ఈనాడు తూర్పుగోదావరి

మంగళవారం 26 జనవరి 2016



వసతిగృహ దుసితిపె ఆర్థివోకు వివరిస్తున్న రాజామగ్గి

అధ్వానంగా వేసేతి గ్లోవ్‌లు

అడవివరు : విద్యార్థులు ఉపదేశిని విధంగా ప్రభుత్వ వేసి దిగువన ఉన్న దేశమునకు ప్రాధాన్యత ఉండే ప్రకారము నమస్కరించి, తరువాత కాలమునా దేశమునకు వచ్చుటకును, కలెక్షన్లను పంపి విద్యార్థులు అందుకున్న గుర్తింపు కమిషన్లను పంపి గ్రామీణులకు పనికిరానివిగా విడిచివేసి, విద్యార్థులకు వచ్చుటకును, మనస్సు పాలించుటకును, తమను విద్యార్థులై పర్యవేక్షణ కోరవలసి వచ్చును. మనసును దిద్దు, మనస్సు అపవిత్రముగా ఉన్నాము. తిరుగు దిద్దుకొను మనసునందా అవధానము, కాదు గదామని అపవిత్ర విద్యార్థులు ఈ విషయము జ్ఞానమును తెలిగ రావచ్చును. అపవిత్ర విద్యార్థులకు వచ్చుటకు విద్యార్థులు తమను మార్చుకొని, తమను దేవమునుగా మార్చుకొని, పరమేశ్వరుని వేటికి అర్పించి, తమను దేవునిగా తెలుసుకొని, అపవిత్రము నీకాదు. దేవుని

విద్వారులకు పరామర్శ..

కలుషిత ఆవరణ తిని అస్వస్థుడు గుర్తి అభయం 30 వద
కల ఆనుపల్లిలో చికిత్స పొందుతున్న విద్యార్థులను పలువురు
హామర్చినారు. మాజీమంత్రి వైకాపా నాయకుడు పినిపే
విశ్వరూప్, జిల్లా కార్యదర్శి శ్రీధర్మల రాజబాబు, రిపబ్లికన్
పార్టీ నాయకుడు డి.బీ.లోక, సోన శ్రీశక్తి సమన్వయకర్త కొంక
రాజ్మహర్షి, బొంబే బారాబా, నీపీఎం జిల్లా కార్యదర్శి ఎం.రా
జశేఖర్, యాజ్ శేఖరాద్రి తదితరులు హామర్చినారు.

దళితుల సమస్యలపై సంఘటితంగా పోరాడాలి



ఎనేబులింగ్ ఎంపవర్మెంట్ ఎ డిటెడ్డ్ జర్నీ పుస్తకాన్ని ఆవిష్కరించిన కాశీమాధనరావు తదితరులు

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- ప్రశ్నించే తత్వం, చైతన్యం పెరగాలి
- ప్రపంచ వరిశక్తితుల్యత అవగాహన అవసరం
సీసీ మాడ చీఫ్ సెక్రటరీ కాకే మాధనరావు
- ఆత్మహత్య చేసుకునేలా ప్రోపెండ్ చేయడం
హత్యతో సమానం : బిస్మిల్లా రిపోర్ట్
సెంట్రల్ డైరెక్టర్ వసంతు కన్వీజర్స్

అంబుషన్లను. దళితుల ప్రైవేటు సెక్టర్లో
ఉన్నవారెవరూ, ఉద్యోగా ఎనిగియట్ అవకాశం
కల్పించుకున్నారో తెలియదు. నమోదు చేసిన
నిర్మాణాలను కూడా సున్న వినపెట్టినట్లు తెలుసు. దీని
పై శక్తి మేనేజర్ కేసరేంద్ర శాస్త్రి మాట్లాడుతూ, దీని
పై 19 వేల మంది కేటోరీ వేలారు సాగుతున్నట్లు
గ్రామంలో తొలగించి వేస్తున్నారని దీనికే పై శ్రీ
అవకాశం నిరోధించినట్లు ఆదర్శవంతంగా తెలుసు.
దీనిని వెళ్లవలసింది లేదు. కృషి చేస్తున్నా
మని, వేగిలో 8 వేల ప్రాంతములో ఉన్నారు. దీని
సాధన చేయి వేలమందిని వేసి తెలియదు.
అందుకు అన్ని రంగాలలో ఉంటేనే ప్రోత్సాహం
అందుకుంటున్నారని.

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အဝဋ်ဆန့်ခွဲ



దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి సభలో పుస్తకాన్ని ఆవిష్కరిస్తున్న మాజీ సీఎస్ కాకి మాధవరావు తదితరులు

దళితుల్లో ప్రశ్నించే తత్వం పెరగాలి

- హక్కులతోపాటు జ్ఞానమూ అవసరం
- దళిత స్త్రీ కత్తి జాతీయ మహాసభల్లో మాజీ సీఎస్ కాకి మాధవరావు
- దళితులను చీకట్లోకి నెట్టేసే యత్నాల్ని

తప్పకొట్టాలి : వసంతా కన్నాభిరిన

హైదరాబాద్, మార్చి 4 (ఆంధ్రజ్యోతి సీటీ) : సమస్యలపై సంఘటితంగా చోరాసన్నుడే దళితల అభ్యున్నతికి బాటలు పుతాయని ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ ప్రభుత్వ మాప్రధాన కార్యదర్శి కాకి మాధవరాజు అన్నారు. శుకరవారం హైదరాబాద్లో జరిగి దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి పక్షే శ్రీకృష్ణా పాల్గొని, సంస్థ జాతీయ మహాసభలను ఆయన ప్రారంభించారు. “సామాజిక అణగారితన ప్రశ్నించినప్పుడే దళిత స్త్రీల, బాకల పరిస్థితి మారుతుంది. చైతన్యవోరాటం చేయకుండా ఏ జాతీయ, ఏ దేశము, భాగపడలేదు” అని వివరించారు. హక్కులే పాపాలు, జ్ఞానం కోసమూ దళిత మహిళల హైదరాబాద్లో అవసరం ఉన్నదని నూచించారు. పరిసరాల పరిశుభ్రత విషయం

మహిళలు ప్రత్యేక శ్రద్ధ పెట్టాలని, ఇంటినీ, గ్రామాన్నీ శుభ్రంగా చూసుకోవాలని కాకీ మాదవరావు కోరారు. కళాశాలల్లో హక్కుల కోసం మూట్టాడి పరిస్థితులు లేకుండా పోతున్నాయని, యూనివర్సిటీల్లో విద్యార్థులను ఇబ్బందులకు గురిచేస్తున్నారని ఆస్తితా రిపోర్ట్ సెంటర్ డైరెక్టర్ వసంతా కన్యాదిరన్ ఆవేదన వ్యక్తం చేశారు. ఆత్మహత్యకు ప్రేరేపించడం కూడా హత్యతో సమానమని ప్రధాన. దళిత విద్యార్థులను చీకట్లోకి నెట్టేసిన వ్యవస్థలను తిప్పికొట్టాలని పిలుపునిచ్చారు. తమ సంస్థ ఏర్పాటుయిన పదేళ్లలో ఎనిమిది వేలకు పైగా ప్రధాన కేసులతో పాటు, 21వేల సాధారణ కేసుల్లో మహిళలకు న్యాయం చేసినట్లు దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి జాతీయ కన్ఫెరెన్స్ జాన్సీ వెల్లడించారు. అనంతరం 'ఎనెబులింగ్ ఎంపవర్మెంట్- ఎడికేడ్ జర్నీ' అనే పుస్తకాన్ని విడుదల చేశారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో అంబేద్కర్ మిషన్ డైరెక్టర్ వీఎన్ఎస్ మూర్తి, రిటైర్డ్ ఐఎస్ఎస్ గోపాలరావు, టాటా ప్రాజెక్ట్ అసిస్టెంట్ సునిల్ ప్రెసిడెంట్ ఎ. అనిల్కుమార్ పాల్గొన్నారు.

నమస్తే తెలంగాణ శనివారం, 5 మార్చి 2016

శనివారం, 5 మార్చి 2016

హక్కుల సాధనకు
మహిళలు సంఘటితంగా పోరాడాలి
రిబిర్ ఐఎస్ఎస్ అధికారి కాకి మాధవరావు

నమస్కరాలిగా, నిజీజ్కార్: స్వాయంభువన పాశుల
సాధక మహిల సమర్థిగా హోదా లిద్ది మిమ
అదికారి హాకీ మాధవరావు బిలుపినదావు. ఆమెనీ సమా
అదికారి హాకీ బిలుపినదావు అవసరం ఉం
నావు. రెవెన్యూస్ అండ్ రక్షణకారి పారితోషం కాదని
చాకుల కోసం పక్షపక్షి "హోదా" చేయాలని సూచించి
"దశకీ స్త్రీ శక్తి" అధ్యయనం "హోదా" యుద్ధం "సాధక" అం
అంశం పూర్తిగా పునఃసంస్కరించే విషయం కర్తవ్య ముం
మరికీ నిర్వహించే కార్యం మునుపటి వాళ్ళాన్ని ఆయన
మల్లూడకా యావన మహాసంస్కరించే సగ భాగం ఉన్న మహి
లకు అనేక అంశాల కేసుల నిర్వహణ విధి మహిల సమర్థిగా
తరువాతనావు. భవనాల్లో స్వయం భవనం సమర్థిగా
చూపుకొని దశకీ స్త్రీ శక్తి ఉద్ధారం నిర్వహించే ఆయన
సమాధిగా

నీలవలె డైరెక్ట్ మంత్రి కన్నాదీనర్ మాట్లాడుతూ నేటి దళిత స్త్రీలు, దళిత యువతలో రాజకీయ, ఆరోగ్య శక్తిలో పాదు బ్రతుకులో సుఖానంద పెరిగిందన్నారు. దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి పేరు ఆదర్శులు ఉన్నవారు నేను పూర్వపు కుటుంబంధ్వారా, అభివృద్ధి విషయ పాఠంలో డైరెక్ట్ పీసీసీని మూర్ఖు మాట్లాడుతూ మహిళా శక్తిలో ఆత్మవిశ్వాసం పెరగజేసి అవసరం ఉందన్నారు. కొందరు మాట్లాడు తక్కువ కంటే చాలావరకు ప్రభుత్వం చరిత్రపై చాలాని సూచించారు. దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి జాతియే కనీసం గడ్డం ఉన్నది, మాట్లాడుతూ ఈ దర్జాల్లో చాలాలో 8వేల దళిత మహిళా శక్తి కేసులున్న, 2వేల మంది చాలాలో నమోదున్న మధ్యస్థుల చావులున్నా. చార్జ్ షీట్లలో అలాగా ప్రాజెక్ట్ బిల్డింగ్ విషయ వివాదాలు అంతరించుతూ, రూరల్ డెవలప్ మెంట్ పై దృష్టి పెట్టానని ఆశీర్వాదం చేశారు, ఆపేనున్న ఫారండ్ ఏనాటికీ సిద్ధపడ్డారా, తెలుగు

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మహనీయుల బాటలో యువత నడవాలి



యొవజన దినోత్సవంలో మాట్లాడుతున్న రునానీ

పాబాడో: అనమానతలను రూపుమాపడానికి యువ
తల నడుం బిగించి ముందుకు నడవాలని, అంటే
ద్యూర్, స్వామి వివేకానంద స్ఫూర్తితో యువత ముం
దుకు సాగాలని దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి జాతీయ కన్వెన్షన్
గెడం రూనీ పిలుపునిచ్చారు. పాబాడోలోని



మండల పరిషత్ కార్యాలయంలో శనివారం జరిగిన యువజన దినోత్సవం సాగిపోయింది. ఈ సందర్భంగా ఆమె మాట్లాడుతూ, సమాజంలోని అసమానతలను తొలగించడంలో యువత పాత్ర కీలకమన్నారు. ప్రతి పౌరుడు దేశాభివృద్ధి కృషి చేయాలని పిలువగా, యువత ప్రస్తుతం అనుసరిస్తున్న వివిధ సంస్కృతి విడిదాడవ్వారు. లక్ష్య నిర్దేశించుకొని సాధనకు కృషి చేయాలన్నారు. మహానీయుల చరిత్రలు చదివి వారి బాటలో పయనించాలని సూచించారు. రాష్ట్ర కో-ఆర్డినేషన్ బోర్డు లెక్చర్ మాట్లాడుతూ యువత అభివృద్ధి చెందిన

దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ ఝాన్సీ

పూటే దేశం అభివృద్ధి చెందుతుందన్నారు. అంటే ద్వర్గ యువజన సమూహాల సహజాభివృద్ధిలో పాట పంకుకోవాలన్నారు. పట చట్టాల గురించే కుష్టుపాగా వీలవ్వాలి. గ్రామంలో కలవలవేస్తే కోసాని గుండు ప్రజలను చైతన్యం చేయవచ్చే సూచించారు. కార్మికులలో జిల్లా నాయకులు అర్చన, లక్ష్మి, దీపన, వెంకటమ్మ, సులోచన, యువజన సమూహ నాయకులు నర్సిమ్మలూ, రాజేశ్వరిలూ రాకపట్ల అంజనేయులు, శివకుమార్, ప్రభాకర్ తదితరులున్నారు. షాబాద్ మండల పరిధిలో ఏల్లాండగూడ గ్రామంలో దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి తెలంగాణ విప్లవ అసెంబలీ అవతరం అంటేద్వర్గ చిత్రపటానిని పూటలూ మేనీ నివాళులర్పించారు.

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విక్స్ పోరాటాలు చేయాలి



సదస్సులో మాట్లాడుతున్న దళిత స్త్రీకత్తి జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ ఝాన్సీ

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సమాజంలో అసమానతలు రూపుమాపాలి



మాట్లాడుతున్న గడ్డం రూప్సి



హాజరైన మహిళలు

చేపళ్ళ, ముగ్గురు ముడే: సమాజంలో అసమానతలను రూపుమాపాల్సిన అవసరం ఉందని దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ గడ్డం రూప్సి అన్నారు. ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ 125వ జయంతి ఉత్సవాలను పురస్కరించుకొని ఆయన బావాలను ప్రజలకు వివరించడానికి దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి ఆధ్వర్యంలో ఆదివారం మండలంలో పాదయాత్ర నిర్వహించారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా ఆయా గ్రామాల్లో పిల్లలను చేసిన సదరంలో ఆమె మాట్లాడుతూ... దళితులు సంపూర్ణ అక్షరాస్యతను సాధించి నచ్చుడే అభివృద్ధి సాధ్యమన్నారు. ఇప్పటికీ రిజర్వేషన్ వలన ఎంతో మంది పొందలేక ఆర్థికంగా, సామాజికంగా

వెనుకబడి ఉన్నారని తెలిపారు. దళితుల్లో మరలంత వైతన్యం రావాల్సిన అవసరం ఉందని అన్నారు. చట్టాలపై అవగాహన ఏర్పరచుకోవాలని సూచించారు. ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ ఆశయాలు సాధన కోసం ప్రతి ఒక్కరు పాటుపడాలని తెలిపారు. ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ బావాలను కళాకారులు ఆటపాటల రూపంలో వివరించారు. కళాజాత బృందం ప్రదర్శనలు ఆకట్టుకున్నాయి. కార్యక్రమంలో ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ మిషన్ వ్యవస్థాపకులు మూర్తి, ప్రొగ్రాం మేనేజర్ దానియల్ విజయప్రకాష్, రాష్ట్ర కోఆర్డినేటర్ భాగ్యలక్ష్మి, ఆయా గ్రామాల మహిళా కలయిక సభ్యులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

సూదాపాలెం ఘటనపై కరవత్తం విడుదల

మానవ హక్కుల వేదిక నిజ నిర్ధారణ నివేదిక



అమరావతిలో టౌన్ : సూదాపాలెం ఘటనలో వాస్తవాలను వెల్లడించే దిశగా ఒక కరవత్తం విడుదల చేసినట్లు మానవ హక్కుల వేదిక జిల్లా శాఖ అధ్యక్షుడు, శ్రీరాష్ట్ర జర్నలిస్టు నామాడి శ్రీధర్ అన్నారు. 'హిందూత్వవాదుల గోరక్షణ-దళితులకు ప్రాణాంతకం' అనే శీర్షికతో ప్రచురించిన కరవత్తాన్ని స్థానిక జానకపీఠంలో సూదాపాలెం ఘటనలో ప్రధాన బాధితుడైన మోకాటి ఎల్.వి. ఇంటి వద్ద శుక్రవారం విడుదల చేశారు. శ్రీధర్ మాట్లాడుతూ సూదాపాలెం దురాగతం పూర్వాలను మానవ హక్కుల వేదిక ఆధ్వర్యంలో నిజ నిర్ధారణ చేశామన్నారు. దాస్తంబం తీరు మొదలుకొని పోలీసు యంత్రాంగం వ్యతిరేకించిన విషయాలన్నీ వాస్తవాలను ఈ కరవత్తంలో పొందినవినిట్లు తెలిపారు. ఘటనకు కారణమేమిట ప్రచారం చేసిన మూడు ఆవుల కథలోని అసంబద్ధతను గుర్తించామన్నారు. ఇది యాధృచ్ఛికంగా జరిగిన సంఘటన కాదని, కుల దురహంకారానికి మత తత్వం తోడై పక్కా ప్రణాళికతో అమలైందని శ్రీధర్

సూదాపాలెం ఘటనపై మానవ హక్కుల వేదిక జిల్లా శాఖ ముఖ్యునిచే కరవత్తాన్ని విడుదల చేస్తున్న ఆ వేదిక జిల్లా ప్రతినిధులు నృపుం చేశారు. దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి రాష్ట్ర కోఆర్డినేటర్ కొంకి రాజామణి మాట్లాడుతూ కేసులు నమోదు చేసినంత మాత్రాన శిక్షలు పడవని... కేసు విచారణను నవ్వంగా చేపట్టాలని డిమాండ్ చేశారు. ఇలాంటి ఘటనలు పునరావృతం కాకుండా భవిష్యత్ కార్యాచరణకు సమాధానం కావాలని రైతు కూలీ సంఘం నాయకుడు కొండా దుర్గా రావు పిలుపునిచ్చారు. పౌర హక్కుల వేదిక తెలుగు రాష్ట్ర కార్యదర్శి ఎ.రవి, జిల్లా ఉపాధ్యక్షుడు అమలదాసు బాబూరావు, జిల్లా ప్రధాన కార్యదర్శి యేడి రాజేష్, కార్యదర్శి బీబీ జోగిష్, సూదాపాలెం బాధితులు మోకాటి వెంకటేశ్వరరావు, మోకాటి చిట్టిబాబు తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

విశేషం

యువత చైతన్యవంతానికి శిక్షణ దోహదం

విశాఖ-విజయవాడ : యువత చైతన్యవంతమయ్యేందుకు శిక్షణ ఎంతో రోపావసరమని జాయింట్ కలెక్టర్ గంధం చంద్రుడు అన్నారు. దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి ఆధ్వర్యంలో రెండు రోజులపాటు మానవహక్కులపై శిక్షణను విజయవాడలోని చిగురు బ్రెయిన్ సెంటర్లో నిర్వహించినట్లుగా, ఈ కార్యక్రమాన్ని మంగళవారం జాయింట్ కలెక్టర్ గంధం చంద్రుడు ప్రారంభించారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా మానవహక్కుల పరిరక్షణకు శిక్షణ కరమీత పుస్తకాన్ని అందించారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో ముఖ్య పత్రులుగా రిలీజ్ డిస్ ఆఫ్ లా ప్రొఫెసర్ ఎ.సుబ్రహ్మణ్యం, మాజీ సీనియర్ నాయకులు సుధర్శన్, కామ్యూన్ జాన్, దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ రూప్సి గడ్డం, జాతీయ ప్రొగ్రాం మేనేజర్ దానియల్ ప్రకాష్లు పాల్గొన్నారు. అంతర్జాతీయ, జాతీయ మానవహక్కులు, ప్రత్యేక చట్టాల అవగాహన, స్త్రీలు, పిల్లలకు సంబంధించిన చట్టాలపై శిక్షణ అందింది. ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ యువజన సంఘం, లీగ్ నాయకులు, దళిత సంఘాలు, తదితర 40 సంఘాలకు చెందిన శిక్షకులు ఈ సమావేశంలో పాల్గొన్నారు. ముఖ్యఅతిథిగా గంధం చంద్రుడు మాట్లాడుతూ గుజరాత్ లోని ఘటనను దివంగతంగా సోనలే ఓడియా ద్వారా యువత విషయాలపై అవగాహన పెంపొందించుకుని పూర్వభూతంగా పునఃసంఘటనలన్నారు. కుల, మత,



లోచనను విడుదల చేస్తున్న జీవ గంధం చంద్రుడు అవగాహనను ప్రేరేపించాలి, ముఖ్యంగా పేదలంతా ఆర్థికంగా బలోపేతం కావాలన్నారు. అంతర్జాతీయ మానవ హక్కుల గురించి సుబ్రహ్మణ్యం మాట్లాడుతూ శాసన వ్యవస్థ, న్యాయవ్యవస్థ, పరిపాలనా వ్యవస్థపై రాజ్యాంగం ఆధారపడి పని చేస్తుందని గుర్తు చేశారు. దళితులపై దాడులు మునుపటి పోకడలని, దీన్ని రాజ్యాంగం, చట్టం ప్రకారం ప్రేరేపించాలన్నారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో రెండు రాష్ట్రాల కో-ఆర్డినేటర్లు బి.భాగ్యలక్ష్మి, కి. రాజామణి, తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

దుర్ఘర స్థితిలో అంగన్వాడీ కేంద్రాలు

అమరావతి : దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి ప్రతినిధుల బృందం అమరావతిలో డిజిఎస్ 40 అంగన్వాడీ కేంద్రాలను పరిశీలించగా అవి దుర్ఘర పరిస్థితుల్లో ఉన్నాయని స్త్రీశక్తి రాష్ట్ర కోఆర్డినేటర్ కొంకి రాజామణి తెలిపారు. ఈ కేంద్రాల్లో కనీస మౌలిక సదుపాయాలు లేక పిల్లలు తీవ్ర ఇబ్బందులకు పడుతున్నారని ఆమె ఆవేదన వ్యక్తం చేశారు. ఎన్నో పరియోధ్ అంగన్వాడీ కేంద్రాల్లో ఆయితే మరీ నిర్లక్ష్యం కనిపిస్తోందన్నారు. ఈ సమస్యలపై ఒక నివేదిక తయారు చేసి కలెక్టర్ కు అందజేస్తామని చెప్పారు. అమరావతిలో ఆర్టీసీ జి.గజేష్వరమార్కు సోమవారం ఒక వినతి పత్రం అందజేసినట్లు రాజామణి చెప్పారు. దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి ప్రతినిధులు మాజీ మంగళాదేవి, అంబటి లక్ష్మి, వి.భాగ్య



ఆర్టీసీ గేజీకుమార్కు వినతిపత్రం ఇస్తున్న రాజామణి తదితరులు

నమస్తే తెలంగాణా వికారాబాద్ శనివారం 19 నవంబర్ 2016

గిరిజన సర్పంచుపై దాడి చేసిన నిందితులను కలిసంగా శిక్షించాలి



కలెక్టర్ దివ్యకు ఫిర్యాదు చేస్తున్న దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి రాష్ట్ర కోఆర్డినేటర్ భాగ్యలక్ష్మి తదితరులు

మండలం మూల్యాధిపతి గ్రామానికి చెందిన గిరిజన సర్పంచు లక్ష్మి బాయిపై ఆరంభంగా కొందరు గ్రామస్థులు వివాదాల్లో చిక్కిరించి ఇవ్వరాష్ట్ర కలెక్టర్ వాడి చేసి విధిచివరికి ఫిర్యాగి నాయకుడు రెడ్డి, వెంకటరెడ్డి, మధుసూధనరెడ్డి, కొప్పు శ్రీనివాస్, మల్లేశ్వర్, గూడురు గ్రామానికి చెందిన అనంతరెడ్డిపై చట్ట పరమైన చర్యలు తీసుకుని వెంటనేవారిని ఆరెస్టు చేయాలని కలెక్టర్ కు ఫిర్యాదు చేశారు. సర్పంచు తన పనులు తాను చేసుకుంటూ తానెవరినీ చూడకపోయి పలు రకాలుగా ఇబ్బందులకు గురి చేస్తూ ఆర్థికంగా కూడ నష్టపడడం అనిగించిన ఫిర్యాదులో తెలిపారు. ఎట్టి పరిస్థితిలోనూ తప్పు చేసిన వారిని పదిలకరచడని ఆమె పేర్కొన్నారు. దీంతో కలెక్టర్ దివ్యకు స్పందిస్తూ ఈ విషయంపై పూర్తి వివరాలు తెలుసుకుని సంబంధిత అధికారులపై అతలాు జారీ చేసి న్యాయం జరిగేలా చూస్తామన్నారు. ఫిర్యాదు చేసిన వారిలో దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి జిల్లా అధ్యక్షురైన రాంబాబు, మల్లారావుగారి గ్రామ సర్పంచు లక్ష్మి బాయి, రేపిడిపల్లి వెంకటయ్య గ్రామస్థులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ గురువారం 15/5/2016

'సమాజంలో రాజ్యమేలుతున్న భూస్వామ్య వ్యవస్థ'

అమరావతిలో టౌన్ : అమరక సమాజంలో భూస్వామ్య వ్యవస్థ రాజ్యమేలుతుందని దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ గడ్డం రూప్సి తెలిపారు. తమని నిర్లక్ష్యం కావడంతో రాష్ట్ర వ్యాప్త వ్యవస్థ రాజ్యమేలుతుందని వివరించారు. జీవితాల్లో దళితులపై వివరంగా దాడులు అవుతున్నట్లు జిల్లా ఉపాధ్యక్షుడు అమలదాసు గుర్తించుకోవడం వల్ల ఆమె ఆగ్రహం వ్యక్తం చేశారు. ఇవ్వరాష్ట్ర అమరావతిలో జరిగిన దళిత సంఘ సమావేశంలో రూప్సి మాట్లాడుతూ ఉన్నరాష్ట్రం మండలం సూదాపాలెం, నడిచేపల్లి మండలం మూల గ్రామాలలో దళితులపై జరిగిన దాడులు ఆమెకు కేసులు తెలిపిస్తున్నారన్నారు. అలాగే దళితులపై పోలీసులకు ఫిర్యాదులు చేసినా కేసులు నమోదు కరవత్తం లేకపోవడం కోపవంతమన్నారు. అలాగే కేసు నమోదు చేసినప్పటికీ దళితులపై తప్పుడు కేసులు పెరిగి బానిసావైరిని ప్రకటించారు. పెరిగినా ఉన్న అనిబద్ధ విచారణాధికారి నియమించడం వల్ల ఆమె మండిపడ్డారు. ప్ర



నిమావేశంలో ముఖ్యులకు రికా శ్రీశక్తి కో-ఆర్డినేటర్ రూప్సి

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హక్కుల పరిరక్షణ అందరి బాధ్యత

అమరావతి : మానవ హక్కుల పరిరక్షణ ప్రతి ఒక్కరి బాధ్యతని దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ గడ్డం రూప్సి అన్నారు. దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి ఆధ్వర్యంలో అమరావతిలో ఆర్టీసీ అతిథి గృహంలో మానవ హక్కుల పరిరక్షణ- సమావేశం పాల్ అని అంబేద్కర్ రెండు రోజులుగా జరుగుతున్న శిక్షణ కార్యక్రమానికి ముఖ్య అతిథిగా విచ్చేశారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా మాట్లాడుతూ సమాజంలో అసమానత్వం బాగా పెరిగిపోయిందన్నారు. దానిని తుది ముట్టించాలంటే ప్రజలు చైతన్య పంతులు కావాలన్నారు. జాతీయ, అంతర్జాతీయ మానవహక్కుల చట్టాలు, కమిషన్లు, పెద్దలకు కులాల అత్యాచారాల నిరోధక చట్టాలపై ప్రజలు అవగాహన చేసుకోవాలన్నారు. అప్పుడే కులపోత, పగ రహిత, సమాజం సాధ్యమవుతుందన్నారు. ఎన్నో విషయాలపై జరిగే అత్యాచారాల నిరోధక చట్టంపై సభ్యులకు శిక్షణ ఇచ్చారు. కార్యక్రమంలో



మానవహక్కుల పరిరక్షణపై మానవహక్కు శిక్షణ ఇస్తున్న దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ రూప్సి

దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి కోఆర్డినేటర్ కొంకి రాజామణి, భాగ్యలక్ష్మి, సుశీల, శ్రీనివాస్, నాథి శ్రీనివాసరావు, రవికుమార్, మూర్తి, డివిడీరాజు, బొంతు శ్రీను పాల్గొన్నారు.

వివక్షతకు నిలయాలుగా ప్రభుత్వ పాఠశాలలు

దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ రుభాన్సి

అనులాపురం టౌన్:

ప్రభుత్వ పాఠశాలలు విపక్షతకు నిదర్శనంగా నిలుస్తున్నాయని దళిత స్త్రీకే జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ గిడ్డంగి రూపాణి ఆవేదన వ్యక్తం చేశారు. పేదరికం, కులం రాజకీయాలకు అధునిక సమాజంలో ప్రభుత్వ పాఠశాలలు దళిత, పేద విద్యార్థులకు మాత్రమే పరిమిత మవుతున్నాయన్నారు. కుల, మతాలకు అతీతంగా దళిత, పేద తారతమ్యంలేకుండా విద్యను అందించాల్సిన బాధ్యత ప్రభుత్వంపై

పింతైనా ఉందన్నారు. పాతశాల స్థాయి నుం
నే వివక్ష ప్రారంభమైతే ఆ ప్రభావం సమా
జంపై చూపుతుందన్న పరిజ్ఞానం కూడా
పాలకులకు లేకపోవడం విచారకరమన్నారు.
అమలాపురంలో మంగళవారం విద్యార్థుల త
ల్లిదండ్రులతో సర్వహించిన సమావేశానికి
రాష్ట్ర కో-ఆర్డినేటర్ కొంకి రాజుమణి అధ్యక్షత
వహించారు.

ముఖ్య అతిథిగా హాజరైన రూస్సీ
మాట్లాడుతూ ప్రభుత్వ విద్యా విధానంలో

మార్పులు రావడంతో పాటు అందరికీ ఒకే విద్య అందించాలని డిమాండ్ చేశారు. అప్పుడే అంబేద్కర్ ఆశయాన్ని సాధించినట్లు అవుతుందన్నారు. కార్యక్రమంలో దళిత స్త్రీశక్తి ప్రోగ్రాం మేనేజర్ జీడీపీ ప్రకాష్, కాశీ పరశు

రామబోధి, బీబీవీ సుబ్రహ్మణ్యం, ఎంఎకే
భీమారావు, జి.జీ.నాబు, నాతి శ్రీనివాసరావు,
జి.మూర్తి, ఎస్.రవికుమార్, ఎస్.శ్రీనివాస్,
కె.సునీల, ఐడేవిడరాజు, ఎం.ప్రమీల, ఎ.లక్ష్మి,
ఎల్.కమల పాల్గొన్నారు.



అమలాపురంలో దళిత స్త్రీలకై సమావేశంలో మాట్లాడుతున్న జాతీయ కన్వీనర్ గెడ్డం రుఖాన్.

అమరావతి | శనివారం |
అక్టోబర్ | 22 | 2016

ಸಾಕ್ಷಿ

చట్టాలపై అవగాహన అవసరం


హైకోర్టు విశ్రాంత జడ్జి జస్టిస్
కేజ్ శంకర్

గుంటూరు కోస్తా: మానవ హక్కుల పరిరక్షణకు చట్టపై అధికావన ఎంతో కీలకమని హైకోర్టు విజ్ఞాన జడ్జి జస్టిస్ జేజీ శరత్ ఆస్నాద్లు, ఆరంభంలో పీఠికలో వావిలికా ప్రాధాన్యతను నవ్వన సమాజీ పండితులలో దగ్గత స్త్రీ శక్తి ఆధ్వర్యంలో సామాజిక కార్యకర్తలకు దళితల పట్టాన్ని తెరిచి రోజుల క్రితం కార్యక్రమం శుభ్రముగా ప్రారంభించారు. ముఖ్య అతిథిగా విచ్చేసిన జస్టిస్ శరత్ మాట్లాడుతూ మానవ హక్కుల పరిరక్షణ దళితలకు మార్పును సందరించిన అంతో కాకుండా మార్పు, ఆయుత మానవ హక్కుల ఉలంపన బాధితుల ముదు



ప్రసంగిస్తున్న జస్టిస్ కే.జీ.శంకర్

పంతుల మంది దేశంలో ఉంటున్న ఐంగా ఈ శిక్షణ కార్యక్రమం ఎంతో ఉపగ్రహించినదని అన్నారు. న్యాయబద్ధ ఉమ్మడి పోరాటాలు చేయడం దాని చట్టాల సకలముగా అనులు అయ్యేట్లు కోపంతో పాటు మానవ హక్కులు వక్షించుకోవచ్చన్నారు. మంచి లక్ష్యంగా శకచిత్తన 498 ఏ ఎస్సీఎన్టీ ఆర్మికారక పడుం కొన్ని సార్లు దురికియాగ



తున్నదని, సత్యమంగా వినియోగం
మకావానిని సూచించారు. దశత
శ్రీ శ్రీ జాతీయ కన్వెన్షన్ గర్వం
య్యాన్ని మల్లాడుతూ సామాన్య
ప్రజల హక్కుల వరక్షణకు కృషి
చేయాలని పిలుపుని నిచ్చారు.
కార్యక్రమంలో పి. నాథుడు విశ్వ
విద్యాలయం మాజీ రిజిస్ట్రార్
అచార్య ఎ.సుబ్రహ్మణ్యం, అంతర్జాతీయ,
జాతీయ మనవ మహుల చట్టాల అంశంపై
అవగాహన కల్పించారు. సందర్భ
స్థానం మేనేజర్ జీడివిప్రతాపిపి రావు
కోఆర్డినేటర్ కె.రామకృష్ణ, తెలంగాణ కోఆర్డి
నేటర్ పి.భాగ్యశ్రీజిల్లా కోఆర్డినేటర్
విజయలక్ష్మి తరచురే ప్రవహించారు.
శ్రీజల తరగతుల కరదీపికను జిన్నన్ కె.జి.శం
కర్ అనుమరించారు.

ఈనాడు అమరావతి

ఆదివారం 23 అక్టోబరు 2016

దళిత మహిళలు వ్యాపారవేత్తలు కావాలి



మాటాడుతున్న గెడం రూపానీ.



హాజరైన మహిళలు

మర్రికాటానవేల, న్యూఢిల్లీ: దేశీయ స్త్రీలు ఆర్థికంగా అభివృద్ధి చెందాలని, వారు అందుబాటులో ఉన్న అవకాశాలను అందుకుంటున్నట్లుగా గృహసంరక్షకులు ఎవరాలని దేశీయ స్త్రీ శక్తి జాబ్లకు కన్సెన్సు గెట్టేందుకు ఆహ్వానిస్తారు. గురువారం అరంభదశలో ఉన్న మహిళా సంస్థలో దేశీయ స్త్రీ శక్తి మహిళా కలయిక రెండు రోజులు నిర్వహించే కార్యక్రమం కనీసం నవ్వేరూపాదారులు ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో ముఖ్యపాత్రధారిణిగా పాల్గొన్న యూగ్వి మహిళలకు ఉత్తమంగా ద్వారా పోటీదశ సాధించుతున్న ఎన్నో ఎన్నో ఉప ప్రకాశా

పట్టం అమలు చేసే సరికాలేదని ఆన్నారు. చట్టాన్ని విశేషశుద్ధి చేసి అమలు చేర్చాల్సిన బాధ్యత ప్రభుత్వమే. దీనివల్ల, బ్యాంకులకు సహకారం వీరినాగి వర్తకులను తీసుకోవాలని కోరారు. దళిత స్త్రీల ప్రత్యక్షమే సామాజిక చట్ట ప్రత్యక్షమన్నారు. ఆనంతరం ఛాతరు ప్రోగ్రామ్ మేరకే పాత దానియేదో ప్రత్యక్ష పరచిపాముదో ప్రశ్నించే పనే దాదా. ఉప ప్రణాళిక చట్టాన్ని గురించి మహిళ కలప వివరించారు. సమైక్యత కోసం రాష్ట్ర శాస్త్రవేదిక యర్జునరాజుమహర్షి, బాగ్యలక్ష్మి, కె.సుశీల, రత్నాని, విజయకుమారి, శ్రీనివాస తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

ಸಾಕ್ಷಿ

హైదరాబాద్ | శనివారం |
నవంబర్ | 26 | 2016

సమానత్వ సాధనకు
మహిళల ఐక్యపోరాటం



సమావేశంలో మాట్లాడుతున్న గడ్డం రుహానీ

నాస్తిక హైదరాబాద్: హింసను ఎదుర్కొనేందుకు, సమాజంలో సమానత్వం సాధించేందుకు మహిళలు, మహిళా హక్కుల సంఘాలు, మానవ హక్కుల సంస్థలు విశ్వంలోనే చేయాలని బలుప్రభుల వక్తలు అభిప్రాయపడ్డారు. అంతర్జాతీయ మహిళాస్థల హింస నిర్బంధాల నాసం ద్ధంగా సుందరయ్య విజ్ఞాన కేంద్రంలో ఏర్పాటు చేసిన సభలో డాక్టర్ ప్రకాశ్ కన్నెగనర్ గౌరవ యార్పాడు మహిళాధికార హింసను ఎదుర్కొనేందుకు మహిళలు సావకాసి పోరాట చైతన్యాన్ని అందిస్తున్నారని ప్రశంసించారు. రజయిత్రి విమల మహిళాధికార అభివృద్ధి, ఆర్థిక హక్కుల సాధన స్త్రీ విముక్తి మహిళాధిగతి అన్నాడు. విమిడిగా ఉన్న హింసా వ్యవస్థలపై హింసానికే పకటానికే తేవడం నేటి మహిళా ఉద్యమకర్తృమణి విమల అభిప్రాయపడ్డారు. అంతరంగ సేవ మహిళా ఉద్యమకర్తల చట్టాల పరిధినిమల మహిళా ఉద్యమాలు మరింత ముందుకుతెచ్చాలని అన్నాడు. సామాజిక కార్యకర్తలు గిరిజ, డివి, ఆకాలం, సజయ, ప్రొఫెసర్ సుధారాణి, ప్రొఫెసర్ సుప్రసాని పాల్గొంటే తదితరులు మహిళాధికార

ఆంధ్రజ్యోతి

వెంకటాయపాలెం శిరోముండనం కేసులో

శుక్రవారం 30 / 9 / 2016

కొత్త జీవోను ఉపసంహరించుకోవాలి

□ పబ్లిక్ ప్రాసిక్యూటర్గా అవీని కొనసాగించాలి □ దళిత స్త్రీ శక్తి రాష్ట్ర కో-ఆర్డినేటర్ రాజామణి

అమలాపురం టౌన్: రామచంద్రవరం మండలం విలకూరుపాలెంలో దగ్గర యువతలకు శిక్షాముందున చేయించిన ఎమ్మెల్యే తులక తిమ్మరావు కేసు నందు దశాబ్దాలూ విచారణ జరుగుతూనే ఉండని దగ్గర నైతిక రాష్ట్ర కౌన్సిలరుల కౌలీ రాజామహేష్ పేర్కొన్నది. 1998లో జరిగిన ఈ ఘటనకు నలుగురు నిందిత విశాఖపట్నం స్పెషల్ కోర్టులోకి నడుస్తున్నదన్నారు. తుది విచారణ జరుగుతున్న సమయంలో రాష్ట్ర ప్రభుత్వం ఈసెల్ 22ని స్వీకరించి ఐటికి ప్రాసిక్యూటర్ మహబూబ్ జవహర్ అలీని తప్పిస్తూ ప్రభుత్వం జీవో తీసుకురావడం పట్ల ఆగ్రహం వ్యక్తం చేశారు. అదే సమయం ఉపసంహరించుకుని ఐటికి ప్రాసిక్యూటర్ అలీని ఈసెల్ 22ని ఉపసంహరించాలని డిమాండ్ చేశారు. అమలాపురంలో గురువారం జరిగిన నామినేషన్ల రాజామహేష్ బాట్లన్నారు. ఈ ఘటనపై దగ్గర నైతిక జాతికల కన్సెనర్ గెడ్డం యూజ్ని ఆధ్వర్యంలో ఏప్రిల్ 1 నెక్సట్, టైక్సెక్ అనే ప్రాసిక్యూషన్ న్యూగ్రం కలసి వినతిని తెలుపు అందజేస్తున్నారు. వినతిపత్ర ప్రతులను విలకూరులకు అందజేశారు. అలీని తీరిగి సుయమించుకుంటే అలీ బాల్లరెట్లకు తీసుకుంటే అందజేస్తామని డి. బాల్లరెట్లకు



సమావేశంలో మాట్లాడుతున్న రాజామణి

అప్పనిజేషన్ తదితర సంఘాల ఆధ్వర్యం
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విచారణ సమయంలో అతీని నియమి
కుంటే ఉద్యమాన్ని ఉధృతం చేస్తామని గురి
రించారు. సాక్షులను ప్రలోభాలకు గురిచే
న్న చారామండ్రన్నం ఎమ్మెల్యే కోట ల్రిప
రులును శాసనసభ నుంచి బయటపెట్ట

లని డిమాండ్ చేశారు. సమావేశంలో దైత్య కూలీ సంఘ నాయకుడు కొండా దుర్గారావు, మానవహక్కుల వేదిక జిల్లా ప్రధాన కార్యదర్శి పవిత్ర రాజేష్, జిల్లా కార్యదర్శి ముత్యాల శ్రీనివాసరావు, జిల్లా ఉపాధ్యక్షుడు అమల దాసు బాబారావు, ఎన్.శ్రీనివాస్, కె.సుశీల, ఐ.డి.వి.రాజు, జి.మూర్తి, ఎన్.రవికుమార్ తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

Cases dealt by DSS in 2016

Sl. No.	Name/Age/Caste Address of Victims	Name/Age/Caste/ Address of Accused	Type of Violence/ Crime Details	Brief Details of the Case	Present Status
1	Angoth Githa / 27 / ST- Lambada/ Sangayyapalli Tanda, Gandeed Mandal, RR Dist.	Doddikadi Gopal /BC- Mudiraj/Mahammad abad, Gandeed Mandal, RR District	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.58/2016 Mahammadabad PS	Angoth Gita is sarpanch of Mangampet Panchayat. She lended money to Gopal and as she asked for the repayment of money, Pandu abused her in the name of caste and beat her	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pending in the Court Compensation sanctioned but not paid Accused arrested
2	Antaram Swetha/ 20/ SC-Mala, Manmarri Village, Shabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District .	Muddemgudem Ravinder/27/SC- Mala and 6 others, Manmarri Village, Shabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No.137/2016 Shabad PS	Swetha and Ravinder belong to same village. Ravinder said that he was in love with her and promised to marry. He exploited her sexually and denied to marry her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A3 and A4 are arrested Under Investigation Petition filed for cancellation of bail
3	Baindla Epuri Rajeshwari / 19/SC- Baindla, Amidulla Nagar, Shamshabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District.	Giram Pradeep and 2 others/21/BC- Chakali Chinna Golconda, Shamshabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Cheating in the Name of Love, Caste Abuse, Assault Cr.No.141/2016 Shamshabad Rural PS	Rajeshwari and Pradeep loved each other, but Rajeshwari's parents married her to another boy. She left him and came to Pradeep, but his family members abused her and beat her	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charge Sheet filed Compensation yet to be paid
4	Bandi Jangaiah/40/ SC-Madiga, Rudraram Village, Shabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Banda Satish/30/BC- Kurma, Rudraram, Shabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.85/2016 Shabad PS	Bandi Jangaiah and Satish working on Kotla Mahender Reddy's tractor. When Jangaiah found out that Satish is misusing money and cheating Mahender, he informed the same to his employer. Satish was furious, he went to the place where Jangaiah was working, dragged him out of tractor, abused him in the name of caste and beat him with iron rod.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under investigation. Compensation not paid
5	Bantrothu Naga Rani/ 28/SC-Mala, Kapra, Keesara Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Dima Mahender/29/ BC-Mudiraj, Ranga Reddy District	Harassment, Blackmail Cr.No.55/2015 Jawahar Nagar PS	Naga Rani joined in gym, Mahender, the gym instructor took her pictures while she was exercising in gym and blackmailed her. He abused her in filthy language in the name of caste when she denied to give him money. Came to know the issue her parents questioned, about the blackmail and lodged a complaint	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under Investigation Accused not arrested Compensation not paid
6	Begari Latha/16/SC- Mala, Damaragidda Village, Chevella Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Prakash/18/BC- Vaddera, Bakapuram Village, Pudur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Cheating in the Name of Love, Cr. No. 56/2016 Chevella PS	Latha and Prakash fell in love while she was studying 10 th standard. On the last day of her SSC exams, they both eloped. Latha and Prakash reached Hyderabad to his sister's house. They became physically intimate. Latha's father lodged a missing complaint.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under investigation 164 statement recorded FSL report pending A1 arrested

7	Begari Vasantha/28/ SC-Begari, Mudimiyala Village, Chevella Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Gajjala Kumar/32/SC-Mala, Mudimiyala Village, Chevella Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Domestic Violence	Begari Vasantha was married to Gajjala Kumar in 2007. He never worked, but sent Vasantha for daily wage work. He used to consume alcohol, move around with friends and beat Vasantha brutally. They have two children and she underwent caesarean operations for both deliveries. However, he often kicked in her stomach. Many panchayats were held by village elders but in vain. On 10.06.2016, he beat her severely with a stick on her genitals and she was grievously injured.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After counseling was given in the presence of village elders and DSS, the couple are staying together
8	Bijili Lakshmi/40/ST- Erukala, and 3 others, Parveda Village, Shankarpalli Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Chakali Lakshmi/42/ BC-Chakali, and 8 others, Parveda Village, Shankarpalli Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Caste Abuse, Mass Attack, Obstruction of Way Cr.No.146 / 2016 Shankarpalli PS	Bijili Lakshmi's house and Chakali Lakshmi's house have a ground in between them. Bijili Lakshmi's family has to cross the path from Chakali Lakshmi's house to go out. On 04.10.2016, Chakali Lakshmi arranged big stones obstructing way. When Bijili Lakshmi questioned, Chakali Lakshmi and her co-sister beat her. Again 09:00 pm Chakali Lakshmi and 8 others came to Laxmi's house, beat their whole family with sticks, broke her husband's head, punched Lakshmi in the stomach and the whole family had grievous injuries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The family of victim is living in Shankarpalli and visiting their house in village once in a while Charge Sheet not filed Accused not arrested
9	Boringkadi Lakshamma/46/SC -Madiga, and one another, Lingampalli Village, Navabpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Doma Lakshmi/35/BC- Goud, and 2 others, Lingampalli Village, Navabpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No. 7/2016 Navabpet PS	B.Lakshamma and her daughter Jayalatha went to fetch water at public tap. Doma Shiva Shankar came and forcefully removed their pot and started pumping water. When Lakshamma asked him to wait, he abused her in filthy language. His mother Doma Lakshmi and sister came and started beating Lakshamma, abusing her in the name of caste. The accused lodged a counter case on Lakshamma's son Pandu that he attempted to rape them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case pending in the court Accused arrested and sent to remand
10	Budagajangam Vijay/45/SC- Budagajangam and one another, Dastagiripeta Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Sheri Subhan Reddy/47/OC-Reddy, and one another, Antaram Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Caste Abuse Cr. No. 30/2016 Tandur PS	Subhan Reddy and his son Vijayender Reddy sold a plot to Kishan Rao 10 years ago, but still claim ownership over it. As that plot was being sold as smaller plots, they went to that place and started abusing CB driver who was working there. Vijay, who was working as watchman there tried to stop them, but they abused him in the name of caste and beat him.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Charge Sheet filed Vijay (victim) died due to heart attack on 27th July 2016
11	Buddapuli Narsimhulu/48/SC- Mala, Rupkhan	Koppula Jagadish/55/OC- Reddy and 3 others,	Land Grabbing and attack	Jagadishwar Reddy forced Narsimhulu to sell his land in 2005, as he refused, he finally grabbed it from him in Dec 2013. Narsimhulu lodged a n	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All cases under investigation

	Village, Parigi Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Parigi Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Cr.Nos. 252/ 2013; 161/2014; 165/2014; 44/2016 Parigi PS	police complaint, but in vain. In June 2014, while Narsimhulu was surveying his another piece of land, Jagadishwar, who was passing by with his followers abused him in the name of caste and threatened him for lodging complaint. March 2016 while Narsimhulu was returning from PS, Jagadishwar and his son and 2 others attacked again and beat him, consequently another FIR was registered.	
12	Chokkampeta Anjaneyulu / 24 / SC-Mala / and 5 others Dalit Colony, Charlaguda Village, Shabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Kowkuntla Venkateshwar Reddy / 45 / OC-Reddy and 7 others. Elgodaguda Village, Shabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Mass Attack Cr.No. 49/2016 Shabad PS	Ch Anjaneyulu and others are retruning from NREGA work in the morning, they cut a Babool tree in the field of Venkateshwar Reddy. In this regard night around 08:30 pm, Venkateshwar Reddy along with his son and followers went to the dalit colony, forced the caste elders there for a compromise. As the panchayat was over and victims were leaving, all the accused attacked them with dumb bells, iron rods and sticks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compensation not paid • Pending in Court
13	Dasari Raja Rao / 66 / SC-Mala and 3 others, Mallikarjuna Nagar, Malkajgiri Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Manoj Painulu / 35 / OC-Brahmin, and 2 others, Mallikarjun Nagar, Malkajgiri Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Caste Abuse, Harassment, Mass Attack Cr.No. 822/2015 Malkajgiri PS	Raja Rao and Painulu Lakhi Ram are neighbours. Lakhi Ram's sons Manoj and Ravinder fought on petty issues with Raja Rao's family and threatened many times Raja Rao and his family to kill. In 2012, they lodged a complaint, judgement was given in court. Since then, plotting revenge. In the process they objected Raja Rao to paint his compound wall for his daughter's marriage. They punched, kicked and pushed him down. Consequently Raja Rao's left hand was fractured. SI did not show interest in investigating the case of victims, but filed a Charge Sheet in the counter case.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FIR filed • SC, ST (PoA) Act not included • Under investigation • Accused not arrested
14	Gaddam Vasavi / 30 / SC-Madiga, Kushaiguda Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Gottimukkula Manoj / 36 / BC-Kamsali, West Marredpally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Cheating in the Name of Love, Abetment to Suicide 92/2016 Kushaiguda PS	Gaddam Vasavi working in soft ware company is the bread-winner of the family. Manoj came into touch with her in 2012 and proposed to her in 2015. She accepted. Later disputes arose whenever she insisted for marriage. Manoj said that his parents would not agree and he would not marry without his parents' permission. On 14th February, 2016 Manoj and Vasavi had a fight, consequently she wrote a suicide note stating that he is the reason for her death and hanged herself to death.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accused arrested and sent to remand • Sections in FIR altered to 306 of IPC and 3(2)(v) of SC, ST (PoA) Act • Case pending in court

15	Gaddameedi Narsimulu / 38 / SC-Madiga, Tallapalli Village, Shabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Ragula Narsimulu / 55 / BC-Kurva, and 4 others, Nagarguda, Tallapalli Panchayat, Shabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Caste Abuse Cr.No. 74/2016 Shabad PS	Ragula Narsimulu and Ragula Lingamaiah have dispute over a land. Ragula Narsimulu employed workers to lay fence around his plot, while Lingamaiah employed to remove it. While the work was going on, both the parties got into dispute. The workers employed by both the parties were dalits from Tallapalli village. They had to stop work regarding quarrelling. When the workers asked for payment, the employers abused them in the name of caste in filthy language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accused arrested • Charge Sheet filed • Compensation yet to be paid
16	Gantelli Yadagiri / 27 / SC-Madiga, and 36 others, Saipur Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Boda Manjula / 34 / OC-Reddy, and 3 others, Saipur Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Obstruction of Road, Caste Abuse Cr.No.99/2016 Tandur PS	Dalits of Saipur village submitted a representation to the Municipal Commissioner to grant a road to dalit colony. Manjula and others occupied a 400 yard land illegally and built houses. When the dalits approached for road, the Municipal Officials conducted an enquiry and demolished those houses. The accused planted logs and obstructed dalits from walking in that way. dalits questioned the accused, they abused them in the name of caste in filthy language and threatened them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A1 arrested • Road yet to be formed • Compensation not released • Under investigation
17	Harijana Naresh / 25 / SC-Madiga, Saipur Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Peddakurva Ellappa / 19 / BC-Kurva and one other, Saipur Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Attempt to Murder Cr.No.18/2016 Tandur PS	Ramulu, Srinivas and Naresh are brothers. On 14.02.2015 Ramulu and Srinivas were taking their maize harvest in bullock cart, Kurva Ellappa objected them saying that the path crosses his field and they cannot enter his field. As same route was being used for decades, and there is no other route, the victims told the same. That night Ellappa along with 20 men attacked Ramulu's family and they were seriously injured. Complaint was lodged on 15.02.2015. Bearing that grudge in mind, on 29.01.2016, while Naresh was taking tea in Hotel, Kurva Ellappa and Siva Kumar attacked him with sickle on throat.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FIR filed • A1 arrested • Under investigation and • Compensation yet to be paid
18	Harijana Satyamma / 30 / SC-Madiga, Nagsanpally Village, Dharoor Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Pasam Srinivas / 37 / BC-Munnuru Kapu, Nagsanpally Village, Dharoor Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Attempt to Rape Cr.No.122/2016 Shamshabad PS	Satyamma went to work in Krishnappa's field. After having lunch, she went into the bushes for attending nature call. Pasam Srinivas, who was fully drunk, was passing by. He saw her, caught by her hand and tried to rape her. Satyamma shouted for help, Krishnappa and his wife came for her rescue. Srinivasuluescaped.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case pending in Court • First stage compensation paid to the victim

19	Jangili Ramulu / 28 / SC-Mala, Enkatala Village, Mominpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Kandi Srinivas Goud / 19 / BC-Goud, and 5 others, Enkatala Village, Mominpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.24/2016 Mominpet PS	Chandraiah and others approached Ramulu, made him consume alcohol, took him to his land and started a ritual to dig out hidden treasures. He fell unconscious during the ritual and when he woke up he was at his home. Since then the accused kept attacking him and his family accusing him of robbing the hidden treasure and harassing and beating Ramulu. The accused lodged a false complaint on Ramulu and Police arrested him, but after investigation, they registered a complaint on the accused and arrested him.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charge Sheet filed Accused arrested Compensation sanctioned but not paid
20	Jilakara Pampu Maheshwari / 15 / SC-Mala, Gadiryal Village, Gandeed Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Jilakara Pampu Krishnayya / 35 / SC-Mala, Gadiryal Village, Gandeed Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Rape Cr.No.106/2016 Mahammadabad PS	Padamma was a widow and she is living in her in-laws place. Her husband's brother Krishnayya works as a tractor driver . On 07.08.2016, Padamma's daughter Maheshwari along with her cousin Rakesh took lunch for her grandfather at field. Krishnayya met them on the way and took them to field on bike. There, he asked to sweep the shed and then on the pretext of getting grass for cattle, he took her deep into woods. There he raped her and went away. Come to know about the incident, Padamma lodged a police complaint.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victim joined in school in Hyderabad Accused arrested Under investigation Compensation not paid
21	Kethavath Lakshmi Bai / 65 / ST-Lambada, Sultanpur Tanda, Parigi Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Pirangi Narayana Reddy / 55 / OC-Reddy, and Koppu Srinivas / 35 / BC-Golla, Sultanpur Village, Parigi Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.224/2016 Parigi PS	Kethavath Lakshmi Bai is sarpanch of Sultanpur Village. Narayana Reddy is a dominant person in the village and everyone had to be under his control. He never allowed Lakshmi Bai to discharge her duties. As the harassment became more day by day, slowly with the support of villagers Lakshmi Bai mustered courage and revolted against Narayana Reddy. He instigated Koppu Srinivas to abuse and beat her	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused not arrested False case registered against the witnesses in the incident on Lakshmi Bai Accused got stay from High Court
22	Kethavath Lakshmi Bai / 65 / ST-Lambada, Sultanpur Tanda, Parigi Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Pirangi Narayana Reddy / 55 / OC-Reddy, and 5 others Sultanpur Village, Parigi Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Caste Abuse, Attempt to Murder 255/2016 Parigi PS	Narayana Reddy and Ketavath Lakshmi Bai had disputes and he was waiting a chance. On 17.11.2016 when Lakshmi Bai and her son Tourya Nayak went to start a water plant partly donated by Wasan Organization and partly contributed by the villagers. When they were about to start the water plant, Narayana Reddy & his men objected them, abused in filthy language in the name of caste. Narayana Reddy took out his gun and threatened to kill them. By then one of the villagers informed police.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All accused arrested 3 released on bail Under Investigation

23	Juntupalli Susheela / 38 / SC-Madiga, Khanapur village, Peddemul Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Topoji Lakshmi / 48 / OC-Reddy, Khanapur Village, Peddemul Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Mass Attack Cr.No. 20/2016 Peddemul PS	A road was sanctioned to Khanapur village and the farmers on the roadside had to let go some part of their fields for the road. Everyone except Topoji Lakshmi and his sons agreed. They did not allow the construction work to happen properly, obstructed the road, abused the dalits whoever came on that road. On 26/06/2016 while the husband of sarpanch was inspecting the road work, Lakshmi and her sons beat him.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charge Sheet not filed Accused not arrested Compensation not released
24	Lachamolla Maheshwari / 22 / SC-Mala, Medipalli Village, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Lachamolla Raju / 23 / BC-Mudiraj and 2 others, Medipalli Village, Moinabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Caste Discrimination, Abetment to Suicide Cr.No.313/2015 Moinabad PS	Maheshwari and Raju fell in love and got married in March 2015. In July 2015 they shifted to his house in Medipalli. Raju's family discriminated her saying that she belonged to lower caste, they did not talk to her and she had to be confined in her room. On 23.08.2016, she committed suicide by hanging herself to fan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Case pending in court
25	Villagers of Madaram, Madaram Village, Navabpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Not Known	Poisoning village well Cr.No.58/2016 Navabpet PS	On 14.06.2016, some villagers were talking at the village water tank. One of them noticed pesticide smell. After sometime, they found out that the water was filled with pesticide. When they went to the source tank, they found empty Flouride pesticide packets near well. Almost 6 kg pesticide was mixed in the well.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well was cleaned and water is filled, being used by the villagers FSL report declares that the water sample is normal
26	Mala Venkataiah / 45 / SC-Mala, Chintakunta Village, Dharur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Mangali Narsimulu / 28 / SC-Mala and one another, Chintakunta Village, Dharur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.29/2016 Dharur PS	On 19.03.2016, a quarrel arose in the village, all were rushing to see what happened. Venkataiah saw Mangali Narsimulu and his brother standing in front of his house near a municipal tap. He approached them and asked what the matter was. They abused him in the name of caste, pushed him down and kicked him. Venkataiah had bleeding injury and complained in police station.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Charge Sheet filed
27	Matta Pavitra / 17 / SC-Mala, Gandhinagar Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Matta Rasool Reddy / 22 / OC-Reddy, Gandhinagar Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Kidnap & Rape Cr.No.16/2016 Tandur PS	Matta Pavitra and Rasool Reddy fell in love. In 2015 when they tried to elope, their parents brought her back. Again in January 2016 they eloped and exchanged garlands in a temple in Rasool's village Ponnur and stayed together almost for a month. Coming to know that Pavitra's parents lodged a kidnap complaint against Rasool, Pavitra and Rasool surrendered to the police. Her parents were not ready to take her back. Rasool was arrested and as Pavitra is minor, she was kept in Kasturba Home.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charge Sheet filed Compensation not released

28	Mudavath Madhavi / 25 / ST-Lambada, Nancharla Village, Gandade Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Vadde Narashimhulu / 45/ BC-Vaddera, Nancharla Village, Gandade Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Sexual Harassment Cr.No.18/2016 Mahammadabad PS	Madhavi's family is the only ST family in their village. Their neighbour Narsimhulu has been harassing her sexually for one and half year. Madhavi and her mother constructed a compound wall between their houses so that he would not have easy access. Narsimhulu immediately got a gutter dug beside the compound so that the wall would collapse. When Madhavi complained to village elders, Narsimhulu and his family beat her younger brother, attacked her family in their house, abused them in the name of caste and threatened to kill them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Villager elders of dominant community made the victims forcefully give compromise letter to DSP, but the case is pending in court
29	Myatari Dastamma / 15 / SC-Madiga, Guntabaspalli Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Rajvir Industries, Gopanpalli Village, Tandur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Suspicious Death Cr.No.193/2016 Karankot PS	Myatari Dastamma has been working in Rajvir Industries. As daily commute was hectic, she was put in the dormitory of the hostel. The industry had many child labour. No precautionary measures were taken by the hospital to detoxicate the poisons used in daily process. Dastamma fell sick on 06.08.2016, she was taken to hospital by the warden and back to the company, next day, as her stomach ache has not subsided, her mother was informed. By the time they reached hospital, doctors referred her to Osmania Hospital. By the time ambulance arrived, she died.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post Mortem Report declared as normal death Accused not identified, not arrested Company in which victim was working is closed
30	Nadimidodla Chennamma / 45 / SC-Madiga, Veljal Village, Mominpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Kavali Shankar / 30 / BC-Kurva and 2 others, Veljal Village, Mominpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Gang Rape & Murder Cr.No.28/2016 Vikarabad PS	On 02.06.2016, Kavali Shankar, Nagaram Narsimulu and Urenta Prashanth met Nadimidodla Chennamma at a toddy shop, they drank together, took her to nearby fields offering Rs.3,000/- for that night. After spending with her, they paid her only Rs.700/-. When she demanded for full amount, they murdered her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All accused arrested Case pending in court Compensation paid
31	Nallavelli Anusha / 7 / SC-Mala, Bairamalguda Village, LB Nagar Mandal, RR Dt.	Goorav / 15 / BC-Kummari, Bairamalguda Village, LB Nagar Mandal, RR Dt.	Rape Cr.No.926/2016 LB Nagar PS	On 01.08.2016, it was raining and Anusha went out to play. Goorav, their neighbour, lured her saying he would give guavas to her, took her inside his house, and raped her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Compensation not paid Charge Sheet not filed
32	Nandi Sandhya / 14 / SC-Madiga, Ibrahimpur Village, Parigi Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Uradi Anjilaiah / 25 / BC-Mudiraj, Ibrahimpur Village, Parigi Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No.04/2016 Parigi PS	Sandhya and Anjilaiah are from the same village and fell in love. He sexually exploited her. When her mother came to know about it, she went to talk to Anjilaiah's mother. His mother Sharanamma abused them in the name of caste and denied for marriage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested and sent to remand Charge Sheet filed Compensation released but not paid

33	Pothagalla Jangamma / 45 / SC-Madiga, Peda Shapur Village, Shamshabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Bodham Shekhar Yadav / 35 / BC-Yadav, Peda Shapur Village, Shamshabad Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.103/2016 Shamshabad PS	On 24.04.2016, Pothagalla Jangamma found objects of black magic thrown in front of her house. As she was about to step out of her house to tell her caste people about it, Bodham Jangamma, Shekhar's mother came and removed it. Pothagalla Jangamma was angry and she shouted why they did that, then Shekar Yadav and his sister Saritha pulled Jangamma's saree, beat and kicked her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Compensation not released Charge Sheet filed
34	Sirimalla Sravanthi / 22 / SC-Mala, Muchinthal Village, Shamshabad Mandal, RR Dt.	Chandra Mohan / 35 / OC-Kamma, and 3 others, Muchinthal Village, Shamshabad Mandal, RR Dt	Rape Cr.No.122/2016 Shamshabad Rural PS	Sirimalla Sravanthi is a mentally challenged girl and on 07.03.2016, she went to general store to get shampoo. Mohan met her on the way and took her to his home. He along with his 3 friends raped Sravanthi.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A2, A3, A4 arrested A1 got stay order from High Court Charge Sheet filed Compensation paid to the victim
35	Kola Narsing Rao / 64 / SC-Mala, Quthbullapur Village, Opp Prathap Reddy Kaman, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Murarikar Srinath / 30 and 3 others, Quthbullapur Village, Opp Prathap Reddy Kaman, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Caste Abuse, Attack, Attempt to Murder	Narsing Rao has a land of 400 sq.ft., and a building in it. Murarikar Maheshwara Rao built a compound wall, dismantled entrance gate and ventilators of Narsing Rao's house, parked vehicles in front of his gate. The victims complained to police, and though judgment was in favour of victims, the accused did not abide to the judgment. They continued the harassment and on 04.10.2015 beat Narsing Rao and his son Vijay with sticks. They sustained grievous injuries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case registered Under investigation Got the SC, ST Act included
36	Yerravalli Nirmala / 28 / SC-Mala, Medchal Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	Yerravalli Hemanth Reddy / 30 / OC-Reddy. Kompally, Medchal Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No. 290/2016 Medchal PS	Nirmala and Hemanth were in love. When they told about their love, Nirmala's father asked him to rethink about the caste issues. He said he would take care of it. His parents did not agree. Without parents from both sides, they married in November 2015. His family abused Nirmala in the name of caste and Hemanth also wanted to break the marriage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A1 absconding Other accused not arrested
37	Bondalapati Alekhya / 7 / BC-Telaga, Arundhati Nagar, Guntur Mandal, Guntur Urban District	Kolla Shankara Rao / 35 / BC-Devangula, Paramayyakunta village, Guntur Mandal & District, AP.	Rape Cr.No.84/2016 Old Guntur PS	On 18.01.2016, Shankara Rao took Alekhya to his house and raped her and dropped her back after an hour.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Charge Sheet filed
38	Dodda Chinna Ammulu / 20 / SC-Mala, Thokavaripalem Village, Mallavaram Mandal, Guntur Dt, AP	Darla Solman Raju / 25 / SC-Mala, Thokavaripalem Village, Mallavaram Mandal, Guntur Dt.	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No.252/2016 Nallapadu PS	Solman Raju once took Ammulu in his auto to an isolated place and raped her. Later also he continued to enjoy her sexually. Having come to know Ammulu's father lodged a complaint in the police station.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested and released on bail Charge Sheet filed

39	Erraguntla Marthamma / 25 / SC-Madiga, Mirchi Yard, Guntur Mandal, Guntur Urban District, Andhra Pradesh.	Titus / OC-Vysya, Mirchi Yard, Guntur Mandal, Guntur Urban District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No.119/2016 Nagarampalem PS	Erraguntla Marthamma is a divorcee. She is staying with her parents. She took Baptism and started going to church regularly, where the pastor Titus, a divorcee developed relation with her. After she conceived, he left her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested DNA test not conducted
40	Gorikepudi Samuel John / 18 / SC-Madiga, Dundipalem Village, Tsundur Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Kukkala Gopi Reddy, OC-Reddy and 3 others, Dundipalem Village, Tsundur Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Murder Cr.No.6/2016 Tsundur PS	On 16.01.2016, Samuel John was coming on his bike, the accused hit him with an auto near his village. As Samuel John questioned them, the accused abused him in the name of caste, beat him mercilessly with iron rods, hit him to a rock. Undergoing treatment, Samuel John died in hospital on 19.01.2016.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Charge Sheet filed Compensation released
41	Kambhampati Mariyamma / 41 / SC-Madiga / Puchalapalli Sundaraiah Nagar, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Anjaneyulu and 2 others, Puchalapalli Sundaraiah Nagar, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse, Attack,	Anjaneyulu is a political leader, who was filling the papers of laterines allotted to their colony. There he mistook Madiga caste as ST. A small argument took place between Mariyamma and Anjaneyulu. Later Anjaneyulu's wife and her brother fought with Mariyamma and Ratna Kumari over fetching water and abused them in the name of caste. Later Anjaneyulu's wife fought with Ratna Kumari, tore her saree and intuned a false case registered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counter case is in court
42	Kasarla Vijaya Kumari/ 20 / SC-Madiga, Nalla Cheruvu, Guntur Urban District, Andhra Pradesh.	Chembeti Manikanta/ 23 / BC-Vaddera, Nalla Cheruvu, Guntur Urban District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating in the Name of Love, Harassment	Vijaya Kumari and Manikanta were schoolmates. Though he was already married, didn't reveal to her. They both fell in love and in November 2014. Manikanta's sisters and wife traced them in May 2015 and took both of them to Police Station. Vijaya came to know about his marriage and went back to her parents. Manikanta harassed her to come with him, when she refused, one night he attacked her with a knife, he injured her and their neighbour Abdul. Later, he went to the school where she was working and took her forcefully. He always beat her, burnt her, cut her hair and made her drink his urine forcibly. She came back with the help of a caste organization.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victim returned to her parents Accused arrested and released on bail Case under trails Victim and her family left Guntur and shifted to Amaravathi due to fear from accused
43	Kashimala Sarala / 40/ SC-Mala, Tarakarama Nagar, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Medi Durga Rao / 32/ OC-Naidu and one another, Tarakarama Nagar, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.250/2016 Old Guntur PS	Kasimala Sarala is a widow living with her daughter and son in Tarakarama Nagar. 2 days before the incident Chiranjeevi peeped into the bathroom while Sarala was bathing. She admonished him for that. Keeping that in mind Durga Rao, his brother Chiranjeevi attacked her abusing in the name of caste, beat her with pipe, tore her nighty, kicked her in chest and stomach.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counter case on victim closed FIR registered and is under investigation Accused not arrested

44	Kota Rani / 23 / SC-Madiga and one another, Rami Reddy Thota, Guntur Mandal and District, Andhra Pradesh.	Sk.Munni / 35 / Muslim, Rami Reddy Thota, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh	Cheating, Physical Assault & Caste Abuse Cr.No.236/2016 Kothapet PS	Kota Rani and her husband borrowed an amount of Rs.80,000/- from Sk. Munni. In November 2016, when they returned the amount and asked for their house registration papers, Munni denied to give, abused in the name of caste, occupied Rani's house	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charge sheet filed Accused arrested The victims do not have access to their house yet Compensation not released Victims left their place and living in another district
45	Marri Prashanthi @ Anitha / 25 / SC-Mala, Nalla Cheruvu, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Ravipudi Venkatesh / 30 / BC-Kummari and one another, Nalla Cheruvu, Guntur	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No.31/2015 Lalapet PS	Marri Prashanti and Venkatesh, a cable operator fell in love. They both had physical relation. He promised to marry her once he gets a good job. When she conceived, he got her aborted and denied to marry her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Compensation paid to the victim Charge sheet filed
46	Prashanthi @ Anitha / 25 / SC-Mala, Nalla Cheruvu, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Mastana Rao / Muslim, and 3 others, Nalla Cheruvu, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse Cr.No.110/2016 Old Guntur PS	In 6th Ward of Pragati Nagar Prashanti has a 80 ft land in which she had a hut. She removed it and was in process of constructing a house. Mastan Rao, his wife Naseema and their family occupied that land and pushed her out, abusing her in the name of caste.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The house site was restored back to the victim
47	Mogili Sri Malini Devi / 39 / SC-Erukala, Hanumaya Nagar, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Vishnumolakala Vijay Kumar / 40 / OC-Naidu, Brodipet, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating Cr.No. 74/2016 Nagarampalem PS	Malini Devi borrowed an amount of 5 lakh rupees from Vijay Kumar in 2012 for high interest. He took blank cheques from her then. She paid Rs 10 lakhs as interest apart from the principle amount of Rs 4 lakh rupees in 2016. Vijay alleged that she has to pay 1 lakh and filed a cheating case. He abused her in the name of caste and threatened her	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charge Sheet filed Accused not arrested
48	Pachala Tejaswini / 23 / SC-Mala, Gaddipadu Village, Pedakakani Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Leela Raju and 8 others, Gaddipadu Village, Pedakakani Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Dowry Harassment, Attempt to Murder	Tejaswini was married to Leela Raju in 2012 with dowry. She gave birth to a girl child and since then she was ill-treated for not giving birth to a boy. He harassed her for additional dowry, doubted her and often beat her. He consumed alcohol, abused her physically and mentally. Her mother-in-law also supported Leela Raju. She escaped from an attempt to murder and complained in Phirangipuram PS.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIR filed Accused not arrested Charge Sheet filed
49	Pachigandla Sunitha / 30 / SC-Madiga, Polakampadu Village, Tadepalli Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Jagadish / 32 / BC-Medara, Polakampadu Village, Tadepalli Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No.383/2016 Tadepalli PS	Sunitha fell in love with Jagadish and both had sexual relation. Later Sunitha came to know that he is planning to get married to another woman, she questioned him. He refused to marry her as she belongs to lower caste. In the presence of elders Jagadish abused Sunitha in the name of caste and beat her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIR filed Accused arrested and released on bail Charge Sheet filed

50	Peripogu Rani / 25 / SC-Madiga, Bongaralabeedu Village, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Kota Rajesh / 26 / SC-Madiga, Itanagar Village, Tenali Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Dessertion	Peripogu Rani was married to Kota Rajesh. They stayed together for 3 years and then he got into extra-marital relation with another woman Sharada and deserted Rani. Rani's parents complained in the police station, and police called him for counseling, but he did not turn up and his whereabouts are not known since then.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused not traced
51	Pilli Jhansi / 26 / SC-Mala, Angalakuduru Village, Tenali Mandal, Guntur Town District, Andhra Pradesh.	Bhogyam Rama Krishna / 30 / BC-Boya, Pedavallapudi Village, Mangalagiri Mandal, Guntur District, AP.	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No.361/2016 Arundalpet PS	Pilli Jhansi & Rama Krishna loved each other and took her to his mother. Rama Krishna's mother Sri Lakshmi called her father to his house and demanded a dowry of 5 lakhs. Her father pleaded that they can afford only 3 lakhs. He married her and started marital life. Later he took Jhansi to his house, but his mother, sister and maternal aunt abused Jhansi in filthy language in the name of caste and beaether.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Accused suspended from his duties Charge Sheet filed Compensation paid to the victim
52	Polu Naga Malleshwari / 13 / SC-Madiga, Chiluvuru Village, Duggirala Mandal, Guntur Dt, Andhra Pradesh.	Eggadi Anjaneyulu / 55 / SC-Madiga, Chiluvuru Village, Duggirala Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Rape Cr.No.99/2016 Duggirala PS	Naga Malleshwari is a mentally challenged girl. On 16.10.2016, Naga Malleshwari went to attend nature call, while Eggadi Anjaneyulu, owner of adjacent lime garden took by her hand into the lime garden and raped her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIR filed Accused arrested FSL report pending
53	Ravinuthala Bhuvaneshwari / 32 / SC-Madiga and one another, Adavi Takkellapadu Village, Guntur Mandal & District, AP.	Rachabathuni Maheshwari / 34 / BC-Padmashali, Adavi Takkellapadu Village, Guntur Mandal & District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.243/2016 Guntur Taluka PS	Bhuvaneshwari's husband Suresh is an auto driver. Maheshwari is a tailor in the same area and developed intimacy with Suresh. Bhuvaneshwari went to Maheshwari's shop and warned her. Bearing that grudge, she attacked Bhuvaneshwari and Suresh while they were going out with children.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused counselled and Case compromised
54	Shaik Jaani Begum / 25 / Muslim / Sundarayya Colony, Piduguralla Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Rehman and 3 others, Sundarayya Colony, Piduguralla Mandal, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Gang Rape Cr.No.81/2016 Piduguralla PS	Jaani Begum was married at 12 years and widowed at 15 years. Since then she is living with her parents and working in carpet factory. Rehman has been sexually harassing her for some time. In March 2016, Rehman along with 3 others, forcefully took her in auto while she was returning from work and gang raped her at Devarampadu Hill.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Charge sheet filed Case pending in court
55	Ambati Simhadri / 42 / SC-Mala, Gopavaram Village, Uppalaguptam Mandal, East Godavari District,	Ainavilli Reddamma 48 / BC-Gowda and 3 others, Gopavaram Village, Uppalaguptam Mandal, EG Dt.	Attack Cr.No.63/2016 Uppalaguptam PS	Ambati Simhadri and Reddamma had dispute over her hens on 17.05.2016. On the same day in the evening while Simhadri was returning from work, Reddamma, his sons and relatives attacked him on the road with sticks and kicked him causing grievous injuries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All accused arrested Compensation not paid Case pending in court

56	Anipe Satyavathi / SC, Vakkalanka Village, Ambajipeta Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Yanamadala Rajababu / 43 / BC-Shettibaliya, Vakkalanka Village, Ambajipeta Mandal, East Godavari District.	Caste Abuse Cr.No.34/2016 Ambajipeta PS	Anipe Satyavathi's mother and Rajababu are political rivals. When he was elected as sarpanch, to take revenge, he occupied Satyavathi's land and turned it into dumping yard. Satyavathi approached MRO and MDO. She was advised to plant coconut saplings. Rajbabu destroyed the plants.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accused not arrested • Land not returned to victim • Compensation not paid • Charge Sheet not filed
57	Badda Prabhavati / 50 / SC-Mala, Bhimakrosupalem Village, Ramchandrapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Dharanikota Satyanarayana / 60 / BC-Bhogalu, Bhimakrosupalem Village, Ramchandrapuram Mandal, EGDt	Caste Abuse, Attack, Illegal Detention Cr.No.50/2016 Draksharamam PS	Badda Prabhavati's father took land for lease from Penumalla Bulli Reddy and Prabhavati was in continuation. In 2014, when her crop came for harvest, Dharanikota Satyanarayana sent his men to harvest the crop and said that he bought the land. When she tried to take the harvested crop, she was arrested and detained illegally in the police station for whole night.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accused not arrested • Case pending in court
58	Badugu Deepika / 20 / SC-Mala, Tadikona Pedapeta Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Nandika Naga Prasad / 28 / SC-Mala, Tadikona Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating in the Name of Love	Deepika and Naga Prasad love each other and had physical relation. When she asked for marriage, he refused saying that his parents are not agreeing. Deepika's parents took the issue to village elders, but Prasad's family members kept on post-poning. Deepika's family members & relatives got them married forcefully. He stayed that night with Deepika and escaped to his parents' place on the next day.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village elders are trying to compromise both the parties • Naga Prasad is denying to consummate marriage with Deepika
59	Balla Swathi / 21 / ST-Yerukala, Gokavaram Village & Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Pilli Anand / 25 / SC-Madiga, Piritla Veerababu & Siva / OC-Vysya, Thana Centre Forest, Gokavaram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating in the Name of Love, Blackmail, Abetment to Suicide Cr.No.158/2016 Gokavaram PS	Swathi and Anand fell in love. He took her to Vishakapatnam where they became physically intimate and took videos of their sex. Later, he started blackmailing that he would expose those videos and took money from her. He showed those videos to his friends, who in turn harassed Swathi. Finally unable to bear the harassment, Swathi wrote a suicide note to her family members, went to Kovvuru Bridge, called her sister and told her that she is committing suicide and jumped from the bridge. Her dead body was found next day.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SC, ST (PoA) Act included in the FIR • All accused arrested • Compensation yet to be paid • Charge Sheet filed • Case pending in court
60	Dalits of Bodasakurru Village / SC / Bodasakurru Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	BCs of Bodasakurru Village / BC-Shetti Baliya / Bodasakurru Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Changing the Name of Dalit Colony, Damaging Ambedkar's Flex	On the eve of Ambedkar's 125th birthday, dalits hoarded flexes in the dalit colony, as well as, on the way to the colony. The BCs threw stones at Ambedkar flexes and tore them. Overnight, they erected a mound renaming dalit colony as "Dommeti Venkata Reddy Nagar", wrote "Jai Shetti Baliya" and erected statues of Village Sarpanch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With the intervention of DSS and Police the matter was settled

					and MPTC's husband. Next day, dalits conducted a dharna.	
61	Bommu Sirisha / 20 / SC-Madiga, Gandreu Village, Pedapudi Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Palika Rama Krishna / 17 / BC-Shettibaliya, and 5 others, Mukteshwaram Village, Pedapudi Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating in the Name of Love, Caste Abuse Cr.No.49/2016 Pedapudi PS		Sirisha and Rama Krishna fell in love and developed physical intimacy. They started living together. Sirisha's father searched for her and Rama Krishna acted innocently and asked for Sirisha's whereabouts. Sirisha conceived and Rama Krishna got her aborted, which effected her health. Her father traced Sirisha and took her back home. Rama Krishna denied to marry her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIR filed All accused arrested Compensation not paid Charge Sheet not filed
62	Bonguluri Kruparatnam / 50 / SC-Mala, Prattipadu Village & Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Padala Savitri @ Reddamma / 50 / OC-Reddy, Lane opposite Somaraju Theatre, Eleshwaram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating, Land Grabbing, Caste Abuse Cr.No.18/2016 Eleshwaram PS		Bonguluri Kriparatnam borrowed Rs.10,000/- @ 3% interest from Reddamma in 1992 mortgaging their house. The interest became Rs.5,00,000/- by 2014. When Kriparatnam's husband retired, he got Rs.40,000/- which was not sufficient to repay the loan. Reddamma rented the house to someone and claimed that she is in possession for 24 years, hence the house is hers. When Kriparatnam and her daughter Aruna went on 12.06.2016 to ask for their house, she refused to return the house and abused them in the name of caste in filthy language, asked them to get the money by doing prostitution or selling their kidneys and also threatened that she would hire someone to kill them. Reddamma and her husband attempted to beat her. As no one took care of their complaint, Kriparatnam's son who is an advocate fought for 37 days to get the case registered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIR filed Accused not arrested House not returned to her Compensation not paid
63	Buditi Hema Kumari / 40 / SC, and one another, Sambamurthi Nagar, Kakinada Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cherukuri Nagamani / 50 / OC-Kapu and 2 others, Sambamurthi Nagar, Kakinada Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.54/2016 III Town PS, Kakinada		Buditi Hema Kumari borrowed an amount from Cherukuri Nagamani to meet the expenditure of her husband's accident, mortgaging the land. Though she cleared half of the amount, Nagamani didn't agree and tried to sell it away. Hema Kumari and her husband objected to it. Nagamani abused them in the name of caste, her sons pushed off Hema Kumari and her husband.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charge Sheet not filed Accused not arrested House still in the possession of Nagamani Compensation not paid
64	Chappidi Sitaratnam / 50 / SC-Mala, Bodasakurru Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari	Chappidi Venkateshwara Rao / 60 / BC-Shetti Baliya, Bodasakurru Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari	Domestic Violence		Chappidi Sitaratnam is differently-abled. Her husband often comes home drunk, beats her, throws things around, scatters cooked food, threatens to kill her with knife. She approached the village elders for help. They called them and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DSS counselled both and are staying together.

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65	Chinta Ramalakshmi / 43 / SC-Mala, Samanasa Village, Amalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Chintapalli Veerababu / 48 / SC-Mala, Kotipalli Gangavaram Village & Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Extra-Marital Relation, Domestic Violence		Ramalakshmi was married to Veerababu and after giving birth to 2 daughters, Veerababu sent her Kuwait. After some time she returned to India, but. Veerababu sent her again to Kuwait and he left to Saudi. Later Veerababu returned with another woman and started living with her in his house with his parents and daughters by enjoying money sent by Ramalakshmi. She came to know about the matter, returned back to her village and complained to police.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused not arrested Daughters handed over to Rama Lakshmi Case is under investigation
66	Chintapalli Pavani / SC-Mala, Nallivariipeta, Machavaram Village, Ambajipeta Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Chintapalli Venkateshwara Rao / 44 / SC-Mala, Nallivariipeta, Machavaram Village, Ambajipeta Mandal, East Godavari Dt.	Rape of Minor Girl by Father Cr.No.4/2016 Ambajipeta PS		Chintapalli Venkateshwara Rao got married to Triveni. After a daughter and son were born, they got into debts and he sent Triveni to Gulf Country. Their daughter Pavani is a mentally challenged girl. Venkateshwara Rao sexually enjoyed his daughter ever since his wife left to Gulf and she became 3 months pregnant.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested Victim was aborted Case in under investigation
67	Chirra Gangavathi / 17 / SC-Madiga, Ankampalem Village, Athreyapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Peruri Durga Prasad / 25 / BC-Vaddera, Chintalanagar, Ankampalem Village, Athreyapuram Mandal, East Godavari District,	Abduction and Rape of Minor Girl Cr.No.8/2016 Athreyapuram PS		Gangavathi and Durga Prasad an auto driver fell in love. She discontinued her studies in intermediate and was working in spinning mill by staying at her sister's place. Durga Prasad took her away on 11.01.2016 and they stayed in his friend's room. Gangavathi's father lodged a police complaint and the girl was traced.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case registered Accused not arrested Compensation not paid Charge Sheet not filed
68	Mokati Elisha / 60 / SC-Madiga and 3 others, Janakipeta Village, Amalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Mamidipalli Narayana Murthy / 58 / BC-Goud, and 7 others, Pamanasa Village, Amalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse and Mass Attack Cr.No.89/2016 Uppalaguptam PS		Mokati Elisha and his companions were skinning the dead cow of B. Aravind in Sudhapalem graveyard. The men of Naryana Rao, Gangadhara Rao and Bhupati Raju who were searching for their cows thought that it was their cow, caught hold of the victims, attacked them, pulled them out of graveyard, tied them to coconut trees, beat them for 2 hours with sticks, dry coconut shells and kicked them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case registered Only 3 accused arrested Immediate relief from CM fund is released and paid to victims apart from the compensation to 3 victims
69	Dadala Sri Pallavi / 19 / SC-Mala, Aminabad Village, U. Kothapalli Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Adicherla Satya Prasad / 35 / BC-Padmashali, Aminabad Village, U. Kothapalli Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Sexual Harassment Cr.No.16/2016 U. Kothapalli PS		Pallavi came into touch with Satya Prasad, he promised to marry her and developed physical acquaintance. Pallavi's father came to know about it and sent her to her grandmother's place and got her engaged to another boy. Satya Prasad managed to get the groom's number and spoiled the match. Pallavi's parents lodged a complaint against the Satya Prasad.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under investigation FSL report is pending Accused arrested Compensation not paid

70	Deva Sharon Roja / 26 / SC-Mala, Kottumeraka Village, Razole Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Deva Sonal / 30 / SC-Mala, and 5 others, Thoramvari Veedhi, Razole Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Dowry Harassment, Domestic Violence Cr.No.82/2012 Nagaram PS	Sharon was married to Sonal and 3 months after their marriage, in September 2011, Sonal left to Gulf. Since then, Sharon's mother-in-law and sisters-in-law harassed her for additional dowry. After returning from Gulf, Sonal too joined his family in harassing her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A1 absconding • Other accused arrested • Charge Sheet filed
71	Dokuburra Sathyavathi / 48 / SC-Madiga, Addateegala Village & Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Kosuri Srinu & Chelagala Srinu / BC-Turpu Kapu, Cinema Hall Colony, Addateegala Village & Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.18/2016 Addateegala PS	On 28.01.2016, Kosuri Srinu and Dumpala Srinu forcefully entered into Sathyavathi's house while her elder son was having lunch and abused them in filthy language in the name of caste accusing them of speaking ill of their parents. They threatened to kill her sons and left away.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approached court and filed a private complaint and court directed the police to register the case • Accused not arrested • Charge Sheet not filed • Compensation not released
72	Eethakota Benarjee / 30 / SC-Madiga, Ventrukona Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Bonthu Venkata Ratnam / 32 / BC-Shettibailija, B.Doddavaram Village, Mamidikuduru Mandal, EG Dt	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.115/2016 Amalapuram Town PS	On 28.03.2016 Benarjee was hit by Bonthu Venkata Rathnam's bike and Benarjee's cycle got damaged. As Benarjee questioned, the accused asked for his caste. As the victim revealed, he abused him in the name of caste and beat him.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victim not sent to medical examinations • Accused not arrested • Charge Sheet not filed • Compensation not released
73	Eethakota Sathyavathi / 50 / SC-Madiga, Machavaram Village, Ambajipeta Mandal, East Godavari District, AP.	Kumpati Prasad / 20 / OC-Kapu, and 4 others, Machavaram Village, Ambajipeta Mandal, EG Dt	Attempt to Rape, Murder Cr.No.27/2013 Ambajipeta PS	On 08.04.2013 as Sathyavathi was alone at home, Prasad along with his friends came in the night and they tried to rape her. When she resisted, they killed her. The mistry was solved in 2016 as the accused was caught in another murder case.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All accused arrested • Post Mortem report received • Charge Sheet not filed • Compensation not said
74	Goda Rani / 16 / SC-Mala, Bhatnavilli Village, Amalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	NA	Death of Dalit Minor Girl due to ill-Health Cr.No.214/2016 Razole PS	Goda Rani joined in Shivakodu Social Welfare Gurukula School on 23.07.2016. She was fine for sometime. On 26.10.2016, she spent time with her friends during study hour, had dinner and slept around 10 in the night. Next morning she was found dead.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Died due to heart attack
75	Gollepalli Kalpana, SC-Mala, and 2 others, S.Timmapuram Village, Kirlampudi Mandal, EG Dt., AP.	Suryanarayana / 50 / OC-Raju, Bhupalapatnam Village, Kirlampudi Mandal, EG Dt., AP.	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No.34/2016 Kirlampudi PS	Suryanarayana Raju got permission to construct a bridge and if the bridge is constructed, the dalit colony would drown. Hence when Kalpana and other women approached him, he abused them in the name of caste and beat Kalpana.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accused arrested but released on station bail • Charge Sheet not filed • Compensation not said
76	Gutam Jyothi / 20 / SC/Ashoknagar Village, Amalapuram	Ummi Tarun / 20 / SC-Mala, Peruru	Cheating in the Name of Love	Jyothi met Tarun fell in love. In August, 2016 he took her on the pretext of his birthday party and got into physical relation. Later on 20th e.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accused agreed to marry victim after

	Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Village, Amalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District,		September, he went to her house and said that his family would commit suicide if he marries her and switched off his phone.	police counseling
77	Kadali Mary Flourance Kumari / 48 / SC-Mala, Vishweshwara Rayapuram Village, Malkipuram Mandal, EG Dt., AP.	Katta Venkata Satyanarayana / BC-Shettibailija, and 4 others, Vishweshwara Rayapuram Village, Malkipuram Mandal, EG Dt., AP.	Caste Abuse, Harassment, Attempt to Murder Cr.No.54/2016 Malkipuram PS	Mary and Srinivas purchased the coconut garden from Katta Venkata Satyanarayana. After selling the land, the rates of land increased and Satyanarayana wanted them to return the land, to which Mari and Srinivas refused. Therefore Satyanarayana being a police constable, harassed them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land is in the possession of the victim Accused not arrested Charge Sheet not filed Compensation not released
78	Kalagata Lakshmi / 25 / SC-Mala, Kumarapuram Village, Pithapuram Mandal, EG Dt., AP.	Yalla Satyanarayana / OC-Kapu, Drivers Colony, Pithapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No.79/2016 Pithapuram PS	Lakshmi and Satyanarayana became friends in 2011, Satyanarayana invited Lakshmi on the pretext of his birthday to his house and got into physical intimacy. Later she conceived and he got her aborted. When she insisted for marriage he refused saying that she belongs to lower caste.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under Investigation
79	Katikadala Bhagyavathi / 34 / SC-Mala, Savaram Village, Amalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Suthapalli Ramachandra Gupta / 40 / OC-Vysya, Bhaskarnagar Village, Amalapuram Mandal, EG Dt., AP.	Domestic Violence	Bhagyavathi and Ramachandra Gupta lived together and gave birth to a boy child, but the baby died. In 2004 they married in Annavaram and in 2006, she conceived again and later Gupta married another woman. He kept mortgaging her property, consuming alcohol and beating her all the while. Finally, in 2016 she complained to the police.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counselled and both have got separated
80	Koppula Prasanna Kumar / 18 / SC-Relli, and 2 others, Karmik Nagar, Amalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Yalla Nagulu / 18 / OC-Kapu, and one another, Edarapalli Village, Amalapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse, Attack, Murder Cr.No.1/2016	On 31st December according to the plan, Nagulu and Mahesh reached Karmiknagar, They started abusing SC caste. Prasanna Kumar, listened for sometime, approached them and asked the reason why they were abusing. Taking that as a chance, Nagulu stabbed Prasanna Kumar with knife, he also stabbed Pradeep who came to the rescue his friend, then stabbed Mavullu.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All accused arrested Charge Sheet filed
81	Kusume Padmavathi / 30 / SC-Mala, Kadali Village, Razole Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Kusume Vamshidhar / 40 / SC-Mala, Tatipaka Village, Razole Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Domestic Violence Cr.No.203/2016 Razole PS	Kusume Padmavathi married Vamshidhar. He never liked her, consumed alcohol and beat her everyday, abused her and often said that he got married to her only for serving him. Even after giving birth to a baby, Vamshidhar used to make her stand outside whole night in cold with the baby. Depressed with the disturbances in her marital family, she attempted suicide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pending in the court

82	Lanka Simhachalam / SC-Madiga, Kovvada Village, Kakinada Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Siripurapu Raju / 35 / OC-Kapu, and one another, Kovvada Village, Kakinada Mandal, EG Dt., AP.	Murder Cr.No.74/2016 Indrapalem PS	On 1st May 2016, over a petty dispute Lanka Simhachalam was murdered by Raju and Srinu. Srinu hit Simhachalam on the head with a rod and then while Raju caught Simhachalam's legs, Srinu pressed his throat and killed him.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charge Sheet not filed All accused arrested Sent mother of victim for DNA test
83	Manupati Nagamani / 34 / ST-Erukala, and 2 others, Patavala Village, Tallarevu Mandal, EG Dt., AP.	Kothuri Kasi / OC-Kapu and 3 others, Patavala Village, Tallarevu Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse, Attack Cr.No. 21/2016 Korangi PS	Kothuri Kasi forced Nagamani to vacate her site as he wanted to establish a water plant. As she resisted, Kasi and his men started harassing that family, by abusing them in the name of caste in filthy language, stopping their ration, and other amenities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused not arrested Charge Sheet filed Victims are not being given ration Mother-in-law of Nagamani is not getting pension
84	Kollabathula Jhansi Lakshmi Bai / 65 / SC-Mala and one another, Mori Village, Sakshinipalli Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Balla Bhaskar / OC-Kapu and 40 others, Vuyyuruvari Maraka Village, Sakshinipalli Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Caste Abuse of Dalit Woman Sarpanch and Attack of Dalits in Police Station Cr.Nos.94/2016 97/2016 Sakshinipalli PS	On 07.09.2016 Jhansi and her village youth went to show the issue to RWS department personnel. A dispute arose as Bhaskar abused Jhansi in the name of caste and threatened her. Both the parties approached police. After lodging FIRs when both the parties were leaving around 11:00 PM, Bhaskar, his brothers and supporters stabbed Netala Prabhakar in the police station premises.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 FIRS registered 2 counter cases registered on victims Only one accused arrested
85	Mura Anarkali / 23 / SC-Mala, P.Nellipudi Village, Gangavaram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Pirila Prasad / 23 / BC-Golla, Gollapeta, P.Nellipudi Village, Gangavaram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Cheating in the Name of Love Cr.No.12/2016 Gangavaram PS	Anarkali and Prasad were in love and developed physical intimacy. Whenever she asked for marriage, he would not answer. On 22.01.2016, he asked her to come to an abandoned place to discuss about marriage. When she went there, on seeing him calling someone on phone, she ran away and escaped. From the next day, he started abusing her in the name of caste on phone and refused to marry her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested and released on bail Charge Sheet not filed Compensation not paid
86	Palnati Sunita / 30 / SC-Mala, Rameshwaram Village, Pedapudi Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Seva Satyanarayana / 55 / OC-Chowdary, Pedapudi Center, Pedapudi Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Attempt to Rape Cr.No.5/2016 Pedapudi PS	Palnati Sunita was approached by Satyanarayana in 2014 and said that her in-laws mortgaged that house to him and failed to repay the debt and hence the house belongs to him. In the same year he tried to rape her and she complained to the police. Since he kept harassing her to satisfy his desire or else would let her stay in that house. On 01.05.2016, he attempted to rape her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused not arrested Charge Sheet not filed Compensation not paid
87	Pinamala Durga Bhavani / 20 / SC-Mala, Tallacheruvu Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari	Bhupati Bullodu / SC-Mala and 2 others, Tallacheruvu Village, Allavaram Mandal, East	Attack, Attempt to Murder	Subba Rao's family supported a woman in a police case against the wish of their villagers. Since then, the family was being harassed. Waiting for a chance, when his younger daughter Bhavani went to get water, the accused pushed her down, beat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victim is still hospitalized One more operation to be conducted

	District, Andhra Pradesh.	Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.		her severely with bricks and injured her previously.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused not arrested
88	Ramavarapu Papayamma / 50 / SC-Madiga, Kutukuluru Village, Anaparthi Mandal, East Godavari District, AP.	Goluguri Krishna / 50 / OC-Reddy, Kutukuluru Village, Anaparthi Mandal, East Godavari District, A P.	Land Grabbing, Attack Cr.No. 54/2016 Anaparthi PS	Papayamma and her husband Surayya sold 22 cents land to Goluguri Krishna Reddy. He fraudulently got 55 cents land written in his name. He tried occupying their land several times and did not listen to village elders told him several times. He abused them in filthy language in the name of caste and attacked them with iron rod.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused not arrested Charge Sheet not filed Compensation not released Land of victims is still in the possession of accused
89	Saka Girish / 17 / SC-Mala, Appanapalli Village, Mamidikuduru Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Chikkam Veera Venkata Satya Prasad / 50 / OC-Kapu and one another, Pedpatnam Lanka Village, Mamidikuduru Mandal, EG Dt., AP.	Caste Discrimination, Abetment to Suicide Nagaram PS.	Girish studies in Appanapalli School. As he was getting close with one of his classmates, the dominant caste people got him shifted to another school and even there he was humiliated. With the depression, he attempted to commit suicide. The police registered case against the victim for attempt to suicide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The victim is not admitted in any of the schools An attempt to suicide case is registered on the victim No case is registered for caste discrimination against the accused
90	Sirra Divya / 13 / BC-Telikala, Salipeta Village, Malkipuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Sirra Raju / 45 / SC-Madiga, Salipeta Village, Malkipuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Rape Cr.No.118/2016 Malkipuram PS	Sirra Raju is the step father of Divya. In May 2016, Lakshmi's daughter Divya attained puberty, since then Raju started to give her milk everyday before sleeping and after a month, Divya observed that she was oversleeping and also feeling fatigue. One day, he forgot giving milk to Divya and that night she understood that her step-father was raping her every night.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIR filed Accused arrested
91	Talapakula Krishnaveni / 30 / SC-Madiga, Draksharamam Village, Ramachandrapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Amalaganti Gangadhar / OC-Kapu, Draksharamam Village, Ramachandrapuram Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Murder Cr.No.44/2016 Gollapalem PS	Krishnaveni developed extra-marital relation with Gangadhar. When his wife came to know about the issue, she beat Krishnaveni in the shop and abused her. Feeling humiliated, she joined in another shop and did not meet him. He tried to contact her, and finally proposed to marry her, sent sacred thread of marriage as gift and asked her to meet him. On the same night he took her to an agricultural land in the night, and while they were doing sex, he cut her throat and killed her.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compensation not paid Charge Sheet not filed
92	Thota Karuna Jyothi / 26 / SC-Mala, Bodasakurru Village, Allavaram Mandal, East Godavari District,	Thota Raju / 30 / SC-Mala, Pedagaruvu Village, Palakollu Mandal, West Godavari District,	Extra-Marital Relation, Domestic Violence	Jyothi and Raju got married in 2012. In 2014, Raju got into extra-marital relation with Varalakshmi and started spending time with her. When the issue was taken to village elders by Jyothi's parents, they admonished him, but since	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jyothi and Raju are living together

	Andhra Pradesh.	Andhra Pradesh.			then, he started completely staying with Varalakshmi.	
93	Vaddi Sandhya / 22, Chiratapudi Village, Ambajipeta Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Vaddi Rajesh 25 / SC-Mala, Amalapuram Village & Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Domestic Violence		Vaddi Rajesh married Sandhya 7th October 2015. He started doubting her from the 3rd day of their marriage. He would beat her severely. He used to beat her if she talked even to her brothers. Sandhya approached DSS and after counselling, they are living together.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The couple is living together and he is not abusing her
94	Vakapalli Mahalakshmi / SC-Mala, and one another, Ramjinagar, P. Mallavaram Tallarevu Madal, EG Dt., AP.	Pitari Anantha Lakshmi / 50 / BC-Shettibaliya, and one another, Ramjinagar, P. Mallavaram Village, Tallarevu Madal, EG Dt., AP.	Harassment Cr.No.77/2016 Koringa PS		Vakapalli Mahalakshmi was taking her buffaloes for grazing. Anantha Lakshmi, her son Rama Krishna, and ward member Sai Babu abused Mahalakshmi in the name of caste in filthy language saying that the buffaloes are spoiling the road and said that Malas are supposed to take mud road and not the cement road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused not arrested Charge Sheet not filed Compensation not released
95	Vudugula Manga/ SC/ Uttara Kanchi Village, Prattipadu Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Doodi Eeshwara Rao / BC-Telaga, Uttara Kanchi Village, Prattipadu Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh.	Attempt to Rape Cr.No.60/2016 Prattipadu PS		Vudugula Manga's son was falsely alleged of a rape case, arrested and was in jail. Eashwara Rao of the same village offered to help Manga to get her son out with a wicked idea. Manga refused on moral grounds. On 7.5.2016, he asked her to come to his home. When she went there, he forced her to spend a night with him. When she refused, he abused her in the name of caste. She managed to escape and lodged a complaint in the police station.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accused arrested and released on bail Charge Sheet not filed Compensation not released
96	Rohit Vemula / SC-Mala, Railpeta, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh.	1. University Authorities 2. Concerned Government Authorities	Caste Discrimination, Abetment to Suicide		Rohit Vemula, a dalit Research Scholar of University of Hyderabad, due to the humiliating social boycott orders of the University authorities committed suicide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under investigation Accused not arrested
97	Boini Luthiya / 20/ SC-Madiga / , Challuru, Veenavanka, Karimnagar,	1. Gotte Srinivas and 2 others, SC-Mala / BC-Vaddera Amudalapalli & Kalvala, Keshavaguptam Karimnagar Dt.	Gang Rape Cr. No. 33/2016		On 10th Feb 2016, Luthiya was lured Srinivas and taken on his bike. Later Anjaiah and Rakesh joined him. Srinivas, Anjaiah and Rakesh raped her, took the video and threatened that they would reveal the video if she tells anyone.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted fact finding Met the concerned officials

