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Handed Over the draft of Rescue and Repatriation of Human Trafficking victims/Survivors Procedural regulation



and Shakti Samuha to develop the draft. Now, the sub-committee will submit the draft to the NCCHT and NCCHT will hand over the document to the Minister of the MOWCSW to submit the draft to the cabinet.

Shakti Samuha acknowledges all our stakeholders support and coordination and for their effective participation in the consultation meetings and workshops.

Shakti Samuha had been doing advocacy and taking initiation to develop the draft since 2010.

The draft of the Rescue and Repatriation of Human Trafficking victims/survivors procedural regulation has been handed over to the legal sub-committee of the National committee to Combat Human Trafficking (NCCHT).

Prior to that, series of consultation meeting and workshop had been organized by the MOWCSW

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Survivors of Human Trafficking are learning Photography



As a part of enhancing skills of the survivors of human trafficking Photography and videographer training is being conducted with the support from Free A Girl and a technical support from Voice of Women Media.

12 girls are taking active participation in this 6 months long training.

In the training, they received knowledge about how to use the camera, basic skills of photography, video graph, camera handling, acting and direction, audio recording and editing.

The entire activities of the training are being recorded and will be made a short documentary which will later be shown in the communities to raise awareness on human trafficking by using their learned skill.

Shakti Samuha has also been capturing the activities of participants during their training period for future reference and to track their progress and changed behavior.

“Taking picture was not a new thing for me but after this training, I can now understand the story behind each photo. I can now tell the world my story through pictures.” – Participant.

Delegates from NHRC, Bangladesh visited Shakti Samuha. During the visit, Shakti shared about the work its work and the scenario of human trafficking.

The delegates were delighted to meet the team and congratulated Shakti for the worldwide recognition for its contribution in ending human trafficking.

They also visited Shakti Hastakala Production center during their visit.



School Awareness Campaign

Shakti Samuha has conducted school awareness campaign in three schools of Kathmandu. 163 students participated in this campaign where they were informed about human trafficking issues, changing dimensions, commercial sexual exploitations of children in entertainment industry, child abuse, child violence and other related social issues.

During the session, Ms. Charimaya Tamang, Founder and Program Coordinator of Shakti Samuha shared her success story. The principal, Praxis school has urged Shakti Samuha to conduct such campaigns in more schools in different social issues.



Orientation to the Parents of Survivors / Beneficiaries of Human Trafficking

Melamchi, Shakti Samuha with the support of District Development Committee has successfully organized 1 day orientation on human trafficking in the month of June.

The orientation was held with an objective to build harmonious relationship between parents



and the survivors and to aware parents on the issues of human trafficking and its changing trends.



During the meeting, the documentary "Bhogai" produced by Shakti Samuha was also shown as a part of raising awareness on human trafficking.

National Seminar on “Developing the Leadership Capacity of Networks of Excluded Women in Nepal”

Sabab Nepal with the support from UN Women organized National Seminar on National Women Commission, Kathmandu.

In the program, the consortium partners of the project “Developing the Leadership Capacity of Networks of Excluded Women in Nepal” showed participation including the members of excluded women network group.

The program which was chaired by Chandni Joshi, Team Leader, Think Tank (MOWCSW) had other dignitaries from National Election Commission, CEDAW, UN Women, Ministry of Women Children and Social Welfare attending the program.

The program was organized with a purpose to inform the network members on SDGs and how to take a step forward for local level election.

Interaction program with the nominated leaders prior local election in Kathmandu



From Shakti Samuha, 8 network members and 1 staff from District Women and Children Office from Makwanpur participated in the program.

After attending the seminar, the members have shared that their leadership skills have developed and their coordination skill has increased with the participation.

They have also expressed that they learned about SDG and its relevancy in the work.

Gongabu, Shakti Resource Center, had hold half-day interaction program with different political parties pre local level election at its Gongabu office with a technical support from Swatantra Abhiyan Nepal (SAN) and coordination with other partner organizations.

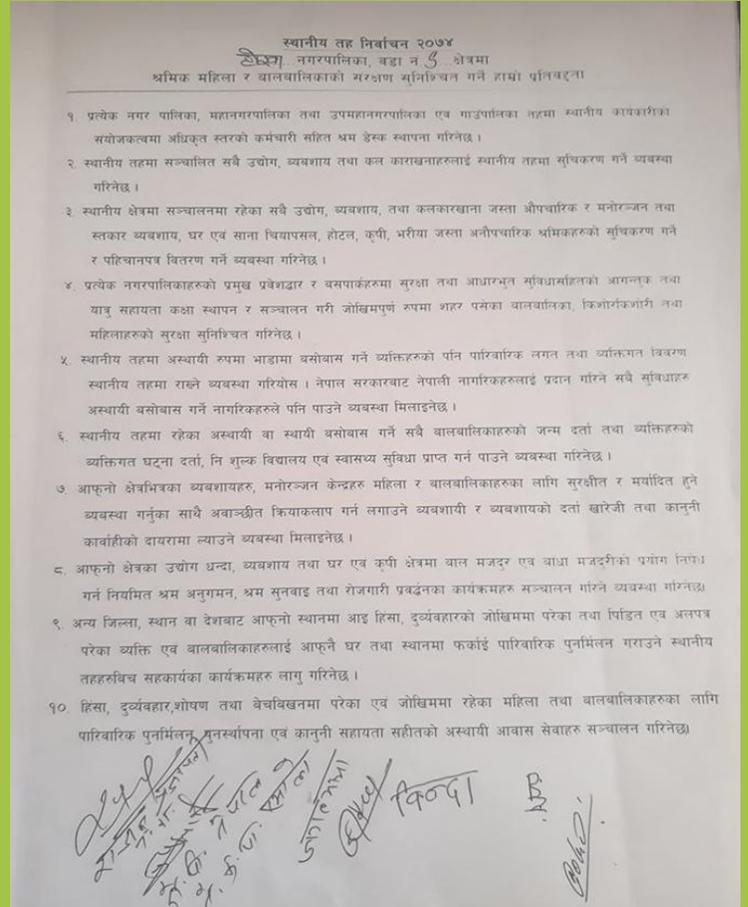
The program was organized with an aim to incorporate the issues of commercial sexual exploitation in children and the condition of worker women among the entertainment sector.

During the program, the nominated leaders also signed the commitment letter to protect the rights of worker women and children in entertainment industry.

Library set up at Shakti Resource Center

A small library has been set up in the Shakti Resource center, Gongabu. The library has been a medium for all our project members to receive information and knowledge on human trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC).

Though it is a small initiation taken by Shakti Samuha, we are contributing our best effort to make this library effective for all stakeholders.



Commitment letter signed by nominated leaders during the interaction program held at Shakti Resource Center

Trainings, Orientations and Workshops

Shakti Samuha has organized different trainings/ workshops/ orientations for VCPC members and teachers in Makwanpur, Gorkha, Rasuwa, Sindhuli, Nuwakot and Dhading.

In Makwanpur, Sindhuli and Dhading, VCPC members were given 3 days conceptual clarity training on human trafficking and child protection issues.

The training was facilitated by Mr. Dilip Koirala, Legal and Training Coordinator of Shakti.



In the training participants were shared about human trafficking and it's changing forms and

Activities...

other related issues such as human rights, child rights and women rights, laws and guidelines on human trafficking and child protection, resource mapping and referral mechanism among such. In the training, sharing environment had made easier for the participants to know more about human trafficking, current scenario, status and challenges. They were also shown a recent documentary “Bhogai” produced by Shakti Samuha.



Similarly, teacher’s workshop was organized in Nuwakot and Dhading in coordination with District Education Committee and District Development Committee. In the training, participants discussed the root cause of trafficking condition of children and adolescents in their community.

Interaction program between parents and adolescents

Makwanpur, with an objective to observe the current situation of human trafficking, gender based violence, child marriage and migration in the community interaction program including parents and adolescents was conducted.

During the interaction, some parents discussed

“I have faced harassment during school break time from police- As said by one of the group member

about the vulnerabilities of trafficking and child marriage among adolescents due to misuse of media. Some adolescents’ girls shared that their confidence has boosted up after joining the group and participating in different awareness programs organized by NGOs.

They emphasized that they are aware on



trafficking, child marriage, GBV and any other issues and they can be peer educator for their friends who are not involve in adolescents groups. In the meeting, 24 adolescents and 6 parents were participated.

The Dark Hour



The program “The Dark Hour” on human trafficking was held in Pragma Pratisthan on June 25th organized by the group of youths and supported by Shakti Samuha and 5 other organizations. In the program, former crown princess Ms. Himani Rajya Laxmi Devi Shah was invited as a chief guest and other personalities like Miss Nepal 2074 Nikita Chandak, Miss Nepal Earth Rojina Shrestha and Miss Nepal International Niti Shah also attended the program.

Ms. Sunita Danuwar, Founder member and Executive Director of Shakti Samuha shared her story to the audience. In the program, Shakti Samuha also presented drama on human trafficking in the name of foreign employment which was well-liked by the audiences.

Training by Child Welfare Scheme Hong Kong (CWSHK)

The organization, CWSHK- Pokhara, had organized trainings on capacity building of the partners NGOs in Pokhara.



The training was divided into two phase.

- i) Monitoring and Evaluation, Reporting and Documentation, and
- ii) Institutional Development, Good Governance, Social Audit and Leadership.



Shakti Samuha along with Kopila Nepal, CWS Nepal, Rights 4 Children, Moonlight Foundation, and Star Children had shown active participation in the training.

The major objective of the first part of training was to strengthen the organizational management capacity of Executive Committee members and key staff of partner NGOs in the areas of Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E), report writing and documentation.

Whereas, the second part of the training was completely focused on how to enhance the effectiveness of organization's board committee and management committee for better organizational performance.

World day against Child Labor

Entertainment industry is considered as one of the most hazard place where maximum number of children is used as labor. Children are being trafficked for the labor in entertainment and hospitality sector, garments factories, embroidery manufacturing, auto workshops, brick factories and as domestic helper in different parts of the country.



It is estimated that about 11,000 to 13,000 girls and women are working in the entertainment industry in Kathmandu. Nearly, half of these workers are believed to have entered this sector before the age of 18.

Shakti Samuha has taken part in the rally organized on "World Day against child labor". The main motto behind this rally was to deliver information to general public that we all need to stand together to stop child labor by making our house, workplace and community free from child labor.

During the rally, various slogans were raised by different participant's organizations.

Case Study

Code No: 28, a survivor is 23 years old when trafficked. She wanted to do something for herself. She got married when she was 15 years old. When she was 20 years, she had 2 children. Her husband hated her from the marriage. One day she asked for money with her husband and she was told to earn for herself and was badly scolded by him. She was even forced to leave her home.

She then went to her maternal home for help. Her father refused to help her. She then started looking for a job. Due to lack of education, she was finding it very difficult to get a job. One day she met her friend in Hetauda and shared her story with her. The friend promised her that she will help her to find a good job. In the meantime, she tried to go to her family but her husband rejected her saying she was a characterless women. Then one day she got a work as a waitress in Rebika Khajaghar-Hetauda TCN road. The owner of the khajaghar forced her to work as a sex worker and she was sent to different guest house and lodge. Whenever she refused to do such a dirty work, she was made compelled to accept that job. She lived that life for 6 months.

She was rescued by Shakti Samuha with the help of police. She filed the case of trafficking against the owner in district court. She was provided with medical checkup in One Stop Crisis Management Center OCMC-Hetauda hospital. She was found HIV positive. She was counseled repeatedly on her condition. BIJAM organization offered to help her with her health progress with lodging and food for 15 days.

She recalls how she was forced to work as a sex worker. She was sent to different guest houses and lodge inside the town such as Hotel Barpipal and guest house and others. She was sometimes sent to Rakshawl (India's border), Birgunj. The most unbelievable incident was she was sent to Bhimfedi jail with somebody for survivors in the jail.

Currently, she has been reintegrated at her maternal home with an effort from WCO and is in regular contact with Shakti Samuha. Her case is running in the court. She is taking medicine (ART) and her health has progressed a lot from before.



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