**Ending violence on Tribe Women and girl**

SUMMARY:

Sex abuse, rape and murder on tribe women and girl as main violence exist. Bondage, caste abuse, working place violence, domestic violence and child marriage are continued on them. This project for 12000 tribe women and girls in Tamil Nadu is providing Training and Counseling on prevention and escaping from violence, Legal support/action and rehabilitation support for affected/victims' women and girls, and strengthening of CBOs against violence on tribe women and girls.

**Issue Identified:** Tribe girls /women are facing sex abuse, rape, murder, bondage, caste abuse, economical exploitation and working place violence. As Tribe people are very bottom level of Indian caste system along with caste slavery and caste bondage, multiple oppressions on tribe women and girls are fallen from upper caste male and female. At domestic level she faces violence as child marriage, family burden, affecting of superstition, Migration and childbirth are making further oppression and tragedy life to her. Very often rape, murder and torture are taking place if the tribe people are very minority, voiceless, illiterate and very backward in social, economical and political aspects. So such offences are screened and not come out to outer world. When some issues come out, dominant upper caste people resist Govt functionaries to take actions. They threaten tribe and bribe tribe male people.

**Some Issues taken by ROSI FOUNDATION:** In 2012, Ms.Meena (24) raped and murdered by a group of upper caste non-tribe. In the refusal of action and diluting efforts of police and govt functionaries, we got order from High Court and then the case was diverted to correct ways of action against offenders and compensation from Govt under tribe’s atrocities act.

Ms.Pushba (16) a tribe girl was raped and then her family and relation were attacked when they sought justice. Govt people not take action on the offender. In the efforts of ROSI Foundation and legal action, they were arrested and then interim relief was given.

Similarly 22 tribe women issues were taken and got interim relief and Govt functionaries’ legal action against the offenders under appropriates acts.

**Activities Imeplemntation:**

-Training on women issue and legal action that is important and takes 3 days of each group / village by 25-30 girls and women.

-Issues taken / legal action that the support is done when a girl or woman is affected from abuse, exploitation, rape and other gender based violence.

Rehabilitation of victims that temporary shelter, food, medicine and cloth are provided to the victims.

-Awareness training to school going girls that all school going girls are motivated through special coaching and counseling on reproductive health, rights, sex and prevention from violence.

-Strengthen SHGs/forest group that is done through training and routine meeting.

-Counseling /motivation of tribe women that our counselors are doing by home to home visit.

- Skill training to women on livelihoods and MFP freeing them economical exploitation and abuses of working place violence, bondage and self reliance.

**Strategy of the programme:**

Monthly once meeting for CBOs and people committee of tribe and discussed on the violence condition on the women and review on the programme need and alteration.

Routine visit of staff/counselors are taking place and identifying new issues and need of action at field level.

Linkage with law people, police, human rights people and tribe activists is done when issue is identified. They are involved in training and legal action matters concerned.

Running training centre for equipping on skill such tailoring, Minor forest produces (MFP) and computer is run.

Counselors and skill trainers are available with sufficient skills and good experiences.

**Results and Impacts:**

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| It is reducing atrocities on tribe women and girls because tribe atrocities acts and women acts are filed on offenders. Child marriage is reduced. 50 percent girls are school going. Tribe women earn more after skill training. Every tribe family / women will be as motivated against violence on tribe women and girls. CBOs will have been strengthened on the matter. All tribe girl and women are aware on abuses and violence. These comprehensive activities will end violence on tribe girls and women**Budget :**100 issues taken legal expense $80 x 100 8000Temporary shelter, food and cloth 100nos x $75 7500Trainingfor 50 batches x $100 5000Tribe girl motivation training 50 nos x $ 40 2000Salary to counselors 3 nos x $50 x 24 month 3600Skill training for 1500 tribe girls/women 13500**Total 39600** |
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