

Country: India

Project title: Addressing Gender-based Violence and Discrimination particularly Domestic Violence and Child Marriage in Marathwada region of the State of Maharashtra, India

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Brief project description:

In India, extreme gender inequality is manifested in high levels of violence against women particularly domestic violence (DV). DV is a human right violation and a great barrier for women empowerment and gender equality. But on account of deep-rooted gender biased social norms, perpetration and condonation of DV continues. Many times, the DV survivors do not get necessary support from the community and also from the government. Hence, this project focuses on prevention of DV as well as facilitation of service provisions for the DV survivors to live a violence free life.

The proposed project seek to reduce the incidence of gender-based violence and discrimination particularly domestic violence and child marriage and has the following specific objectives :

- 1) Girls and women across Marathwada region in the State of Maharashtra especially in the districts of Beed, Latur, Osmanabad exercise agency, and take action against gender-based violence and discrimination (GBVD) particularly domestic violence and child marriage and boys and men act as supportive partners and change agents for gender equality by taking action against gender-based violence and discrimination.
- 2) Increased capacity and effectiveness of civil society actors and government agencies/duty-bearers in Beed, Latur and Osmanabad districts, and legal aid clinics based in law colleges and One-Stop Crisis Centers (OSCCs) across Marathwada region of the State of Maharashtra to prevent and respond to GBVD cases particularly domestic violence and child marriage.

Main project partners:

- Manavlok – NGO
- Grameen Mahila Vikas Sanstha (GMVS) – NGO
- Halo Medical Foundation (HMF) – NGO
- Academic institution-based Indian Law Society (ILS) College of Law/Women's Studies Center – University

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