

Learning Trip on Initiatives Against Trafficking In Women And Girls 29th-30th October, 2013, The Gateway Hotel, Kolkata, West Bengal

A two day consultation workshop with regard to Anti Human Trafficking Programme in India was organized by UN WOMEN in Kolkata, West Bengal.

This workshop was attended by the project partners of 6 states viz. Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand Odisha, Rajasthan and West Bengal.

The meeting began with opening remarks including an overview of the agenda for the two-day learning visit by Ms. Anju Pandey. This was followed by a round of introductions and presentations by partner organizations of six states on progress made on Anti Trafficking Initiatives. Consistent with the more informal nature of the consultation, the agenda was purposely designed to be flexible to accommodate discussion on ideas as they arose.

The agenda of day one was organized around the three main themes:

- Presentations by partners on progress made on anti-trafficking initiatives
- Mid-term review of Anti Trafficking Programme by Mr.Gaurav Bhargava
- Session on Models of Community Based Prevention by Ms. Mondira Dutta
- Group work on setting up Centres of Action

After the morning presentations, most of the remainder of the first day was devoted to such over-arching issues as the scope and organization of the Centres of Action. Discussion on process issues began late in the afternoon of the first day and included considerable discussion of stakeholder involvement in setting up CoA.

The day two of the learning trip was quite interactive as it was organized around the following themes:

- Interaction with survivors and walk around Sanlaap Short Stay Home- Sneha
- Interaction with survivors at Bow Bazaar

Thus, the participants of the workshop got the opportunity to interact with the survivors of trafficking and how the anti trafficking initiatives have been facilitating their psycho-social rehabilitation process.