STAYING ALIVE...

SUNITHA KRISHNAN
INDIA
AT 9 YRS SHE HAS SEEN IT ALL!

- WHEN 4 YRS OLD WORKED AS A MAID IN A HIGHWAY TEA STALL
- WHEN 5 YRS OLD SOLD FOR PROSTITUTION
- IN THE NEXT THREE YEARS SAW GOA, MUMBAI, PUNE, DELHI...
- BEATEN, TORTURED, SCARRED COMPLETELY LOST MENTAL BALANCE
- DUMPED ON THE ROAD, PSYCHOTIC DEPRESSION
HUMAN TRAFFICKING

- ADOPTION
- ORGAN TRADE
- LABOUR
- CIRCUS
- BEGGARY
- DOMESTIC WORK
- CAMEL JOCKEY

SEX TRAFFICKING THE WORST FORM OF COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION
EXTENT AND MAGNITUDE

- EVERY 10 MINUTES A PERSON IS TRAFFICKED
- 2-3 MILLION TRAFFICKED IN INDIA
- 858 BILLION DOLLAR INDUSTRY
- 45% ARE CHILDREN
- INDIA- DESTINATION, TRANSIT, SOURCE
- RED LIGHT AREA, CLADESTINE IN HOUSES, HOTELS, LODGES, STREET, RESORTS, THEATERS, VEHICLES, SEX TOURISM, PORNOGRAPHY
THE JOURNEY

• OPTIONLESSNESS- POVERTY

POVERTY OF MIND-

CONSUMERISM

• VULNERABLE

• DECEPTION, FRAUDULENT MEANS, COERCION, FORCE
REALIZATION IN DESTINATION
BREAKING IN...
TORTURED...INDOCTRINATED..
IRREVERSIBLE CONSEQUENCE
UNTIMELY END..
ENSLAVED...MULTIPLE EXPLOITATION
EVERY DAY... TILL...

HARDLY 7% OF VICTIMS GET RESCUED!
THE EXTRA BONUS...HEALTH HAZARDS, ADDICTION...
TIME TO DISCARD...
IMPACT

• NO TRUST
• NO IDENTITY
• POOR SELF WORTH/ESTEEM
• LEARNT HELPLESSNESS
• POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDERS
• ADDICTIONS/RTI/STI
• STOCKHOLM’S SYNDROME
• NORMALISATION OF EXPLOITATION
POST RESCUE

• HOSTILITY
• RESISTANCE
• DISORIENTATION
• ANGER
• AGGRESSION
• FEAR
• NEED TO ESCAPE
• WITHDRAWL SYMPTOMS
JOURNEY OF RECOVERY

• MIN 3 MONTHS – REVEALING REAL NAME, ACCEPTING TO BE A VICTIM, DEADDICTION, READY FOR ALTERNATIVES

• MIN 3 MONTHS- GAINING LIFESKILLS, APTITUDE ASSESSMENT, EMPLOYABILITY TRAINING

• MIN 6 MONTHS- LIVELIHOOD TRAINING, LIVELIHOOD PLACEMENTS

MINIMUM OF 1YR FOR REHABILITATION
CHALLENGES FOR JUDICIARY

• CLAIMANTS-BROKERS, PIMPS
• FAMILY AS TRAFFICKERS
• ADVOCATES- EMOTIONAL DRAMA, THREATS, INTIMIDATION, ACCUSATIONS
• DIFFERENTIATING VICTIM-ACCUSED
• PROBATION OFFICERS NOT UPTO STANDARDS
• INEFFICIENT-INSUFFICIENT SERVICE PROVIDERS
A YOUNG TRAFFICKER
ROLE OF NGO IN JUSTICE DELIVERY

- PRE RESCUE TO RESCUE
  - PRE RESCUE PLANNING
  - INFORMATION GATHERING
  - VALIDATION
  - VICTIM SUPPORT
  - FIRST AID COUNSELING
  - ASSISTING IN RECOVERY
  - SEPERATION FROM TRAFFICKERS
ROLE OF NGO-CONTD

• POST RESCUE
  
  POLICE STATION
  
  - TRAUMA CARE
  
  - WELCOME KIT
  
  - INFO ON PLAN OF CARE
  
  - LEGAL RIGHTS
  
  - MEDICAL EXAMINATION
  
  - PRE-TEST COUNSELING
  
  - COURT PROCEDURE
ROLE OF NGO-CONT'D

• JUDICIAL PROCESS
  - COUNSELING TO PREVENT HOSTILITY
  - PREPARATION FOR TRAIL- NETWORKING WITH PROSECUTORS, ENFORCERS,
    MOCK TRAIL
  - VICTIM WITNESS PROTECTION-BURKHA, COURT CONSTABLE SUPPORT
  - FAMILY COUNSELING/PROTECTION
ROLE OF NGO-CONT'D

• PROTECTIVE HOME-NGO/GOVT
  - PSYCHO-SOCIAL INTERVENTION-
    COUNSELING/PSYCHOTHERAPY,
  DEADDICTION
  - IMMEDIATE RELIEF ACCESS-INR 20,000, ACCESS TO GOVT
    SCHEMES
  - PREPARATION FOR 164 STATEMENT
  - HOME INVESTIGATION/VERIFICATION
  - LIFE SKILLS, ECONOMIC/PSYCHOLOGICAL/CIVIC
  - SOCIAL REINTEGRATION
FOREIGN NATIONAL

• SAARC NATIONS
  - SAARC CONVENTION OF PROSTITUTION
    - IDENTIFICATION OF VICTIM
    - CARE AND PROTECTION OF VICTIM
    - HOME VERIFICATION TO IDENTIFY NATIONALITY
    - HOME SAFETY ASSESSMENT TO PREPARE CARE PLAN
• EXIT PERMIT FROM FRO/MEA
• DIRECT REPATRIATION THROUGH HIGH COMMISION
• REPATRIATION THROUGH PARTNERS

NON SAARC NATIONAL

• CARE AND PROTECTION
• TIE UP WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTNER
• EXIT PERMIT
• DEPORTATION/REPATRIATION
NEED FROM JUDICIAL OFFICERS?

• BEST INTEREST OF THE VICTIM.

• APPLICATION OF THE LAW SO THAT VICTIM IS NOT RETRAFFICKED OR GOES BACK TO THE SAME SITUATION OF EXPLOITATION.

• NEED FOR HOME SAFETY ASSESSMENT.

• VICTIM FRIENDLY JUDICIAL PROCESSES.

• IMPORTANCE OF TIME PERIOD FOR REHABILITATION.
• INSISTING FOR STDS OF CARE IN HOMES.
• ENSURING STAKEHOLDERS EXECUTE THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES.
• INVOLVING CIVIL SOCIETY PARTNERS IN SUPPORTING CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM.
• NGO TO SUPPORT THE STATE-NGO NOT THE STATE.

VICTIM CENTRAL TO ALL THINKING
FROM PAIN TO POWER...
MAKING ADVERSITY AN OPPORTUNITY
SEEKING SELF...
CARVING A NICHE BY WHAT YOU DO
LEARNING TO COPE WITH REJECTION
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SCALING HEIGHTS
EMBRACING UNLIMITED POTENTIAL AROUND
CARVING NEW INDENTITIES
REDIFINING SELF
FROM A VICTIM TO A SURVIVOR
CHERISHING THE POWER
STAYING ALIVE...
ARE WE PART OF THE PROBLEM?
DO WE WANT TO BECOME PART OF THE SOLUTION...
NO HUMAN DESERVES TO GO THROUGH...WHAT THESE CHILDREN HAVE GONE THROUGH...
Break the silence...
Break the tolerance...

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