

SHIVI DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY



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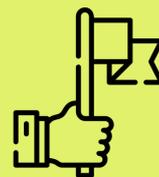
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Shivi Development Society (SDS) is a civil society organization that takes initiatives to positively impact the lives of the poor and most marginalized sections of the society. The broad aim of the organization is to foster a growth oriented, just and equitable society, based on respect for rights of individuals, ending discrimination of caste, gender and community by supporting the underprivileged in attaining their rights. SDS works on the issues of women empowerment, child development, human rights and good governance with gender as a cross cutting theme.

PROJECT

Programme on WHRDs in the state Chhattisgarh in India

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3 Days workshop on Women Human Rights Defenders at Raipur

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16 Days of Activism at Chhattisgarh

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Consultation on CEDAW General Recommendation 30.

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National Women's Day

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International Women's Day

CONSULTATION ON CEDAW GENERAL RECOMMENDATION 30



Among all the programs domain of our organization, women empowerment is one of the broad areas that we are focusing on, we are also pushing for women empowerment in India and so is the reason why we also add our voice to CEDAW General Recommendation 30. Whenever we talk about women empowerment, the first thing that hits on our mind is discrimination, so it requires the elimination of discrimination in all aspects of women's lives—from education to employment, from family life to politics. The CEDAW is a recognition that the disadvantages, disparities, and political imbalances can be affected by their instrument for the betterment of women's situation, their empowerment, and true enfranchisement as equal citizens and equal members.

Since 2018, we have been organizing a consultation on CEDAW GR 30 with the inclusion of many and we have conducted our third meeting session on 30th November 2019.

The agenda of the Consultation was on Women Security and its implications at the grassroots level. Women's security is the burning issue in every corner, especially in the case of India, where every woman has a fear of harassing or raped. SDS organized a meeting on Women Security and its implications at the grassroots level; we have conducted our third meeting session on 30th November 2019 with the participation of 20 esteemed participants.



The conclusion drawn from the consultation session

#1

Conflicts need to be seen as more in-depth. Women's conflict should be understood from bottom to top and top to bottom. Conflicts need to be redefined so that we could know where to focus, what actions we need to take up.

#2

A collection of small case studies as a base of redefining women's conflict because without the pre-knowledge and ethnography it is impossible to define the women's conflict. Without clear foundation, it is hard to build the walls.

#3

Concise the book of Simon- "The Second Sex."

#4

More training for capacity building and Campaign on women's security awareness to ensure sustainability women's peace and security.

#5

The important engagement of men and boys as partners in promoting women's participation in the prevention and resolution of armed conflict, peace building, and post-conflict situations. Male conflicts are also reflecting on women and they are the main of women's conflict.

#6

The passed out constitution need to be implemented through various training and campaign session from the grassroots level. Only passing the constitution cannot be helpful to the citizens if it is not implemented effectively. Many constitutions were passed by India to protect women and for their security, but they are not aware so as being a civil society it is also our duty to educate them.

#7

Regular monitoring and evaluation of our work are needed because it is the only way to track our work. This will also help to see the outcome of our work in advance and also help us if there is any need to change in our work. Monitoring and evaluation pave the direction of every program.

#8

Dissemination of one-stop centers. The concept of One-Stop centers were the landmark started by the government of India but it may not be wrong if 80% of the women in India are not aware about the clear concept of One-Stop Centers.

#9

Inclusion of digital security actions to address gender-based violence online and online harassment of women. The digital platform is where nowadays women are not safe at all.

#10

Highlight the opportunities of women that are provided by the government like the GPDP Scheme so that they can be benefitted their rights to access it. It is their right to obtain this opportunities, and we can be a mediator by providing the related information.

#11

Regular documentation as it helps the maintenance of all aspects of our work and Knowledge transfer to others.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY-2019

We, either individuals or organizations, celebrate International Women's Day to reflect on the courage and determination made by ordinary women who have played an extraordinary role in the families, communities, and nations. Every year, we celebrated this day worldwide with different themes, and the concept of 2020 is AN EQUAL WORLD IS AN ENABLED.



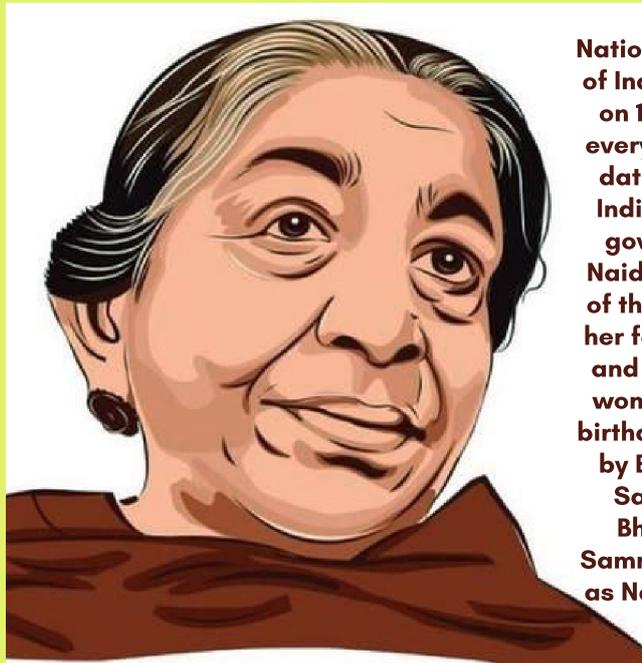
On the 7th of March, we observed International women's day 2020 at Icchchapur, Kanker. We celebrated the courage and dedication of the female farmers who employ their hands for the livelihood of their families. We selected them, especially on this day because we wanted to focus on their struggle in livelihood activities as women are currently working 70 percent of the agricultural activities likely than men to run the family, even though their handwork is not appreciated also they work more and earn less and have fewer choices, and experience multiple forms of violence at home and in public spaces. Although multiple obstacles remain unchanged in law and the culture, we aimed to give a warm-hearted appreciation to these women



besides all, and we will never stop struggling for each other for equality. Women and girls continue to undervalue. They came directly from the farm with dirty clothes, barefoot, and hay knife in hand to attend their day of celebration. With these women, we discussed the story behind the International women's day celebration also why we are celebrating with them. Also, we played many games with them. Amidst tired, they were so immersed in the games that the world was forgotten for a few moments. Yes, it was a small occasion, yet a blessing for the Shivi team because we could bring a bit of a smile to the face of those wonderful women.



NATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



National Women's Day of India is celebrated on 13th February of every year that is the date of the birth of India's first woman governor, Sarojini Naidu, in recognition of the works done by her for the upliftment and development of women in India. Her birthday was selected by Bhartiya Mahila Sangh and Akhil Bhartiya Mahila Sammelan to observe as National Women's Day.

We, the SDS team, conducted a social media campaign of 15 days to celebrate the National Women's Day of India of 2020. This social media campaign was a 15 days challenge to write a poem of 5 lines by 15 individuals on the theme 'society without women.' It was started on 30th January 2020 and continued till 13th February 2020.

The challenge was initiated by the Shivi Development Society team to write 5 lines on the theme through challenging each day one person to add another five lines on the previous lines. The reason for choosing a poem challenge over other possible activities was because Sarojini Naidu herself was a poet, and was known for her good skill of writing other than being a social worker.

She wrote hundreds of quotes to motivate women of India which is why SDS chooses to celebrate this upcoming special day in her style only. This challenge aimed to promote a chance of participating individuals to express their admiration towards the contribution of women in our society so that we all together can celebrate a day solely dedicated to celebrating the presence of women in our lives; our mothers, sisters, wives, and daughters, who ask nothing in return, but give their everything to the ones they love. This campaign was the opportunity to pay them back in love, respect, and appreciation with 75 lines of the poem upon them, but only a few were accepted our challenged, and we have collected.