

Empowering Sex Workers

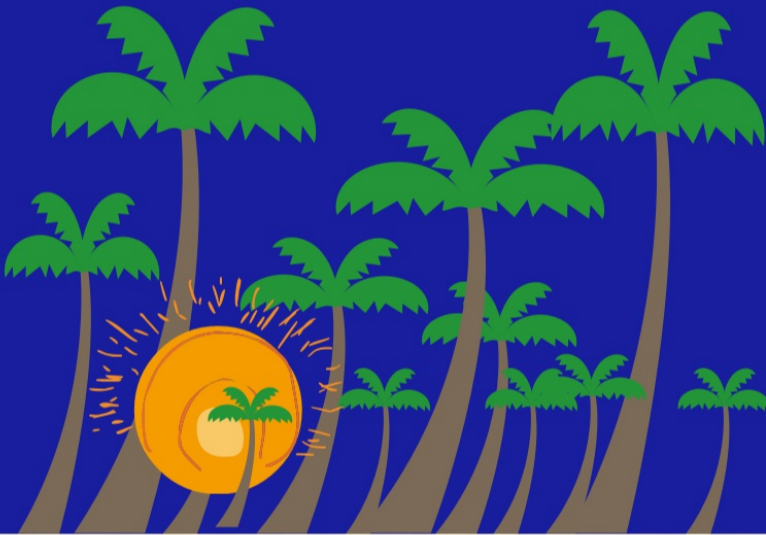
Preventing Violence



"Violence is Not Love"

Orange Day Celebrations, 2015, Karnataka, India

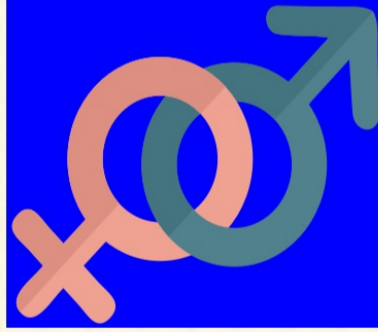
Street plays
in 9 villages
with 340 sex
workers



"Violence is perpetrated by men. Sensitising them to respect women can help reduce it."

Gram Panchayat
President, Machaknur
village

1200 men &
women hear
stories & hold
discussions on
violence against
women



'Walk to Prevent
Violence' campaigns
in 5 villages with 180
sex workers & their
partners



Special event on
women's rights with
80 sex workers

"We no longer think
that beating is an act
of love"

Sex Workers
Chimmad village

Karnataka Health Promotion Trust is implementing Samvedana Plus, with 800 female sex workers and their intimate partners, in partnership with a community based organisation of sex workers, Chaitanya AIDS Tadeгалтуwa Mahila Sangha in Karnataka, India. This programme runs from 2015 to 2017 with support from the United Nations Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women, What Works to Prevent Violence against Women and Girls consortium and the University of Manitoba, Canada. Within the DFID-funded STRIVE consortium, KHPT and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine are evaluating the impact of Samvedana Plus on violence and condom use in sex-workers' intimate relationships.

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