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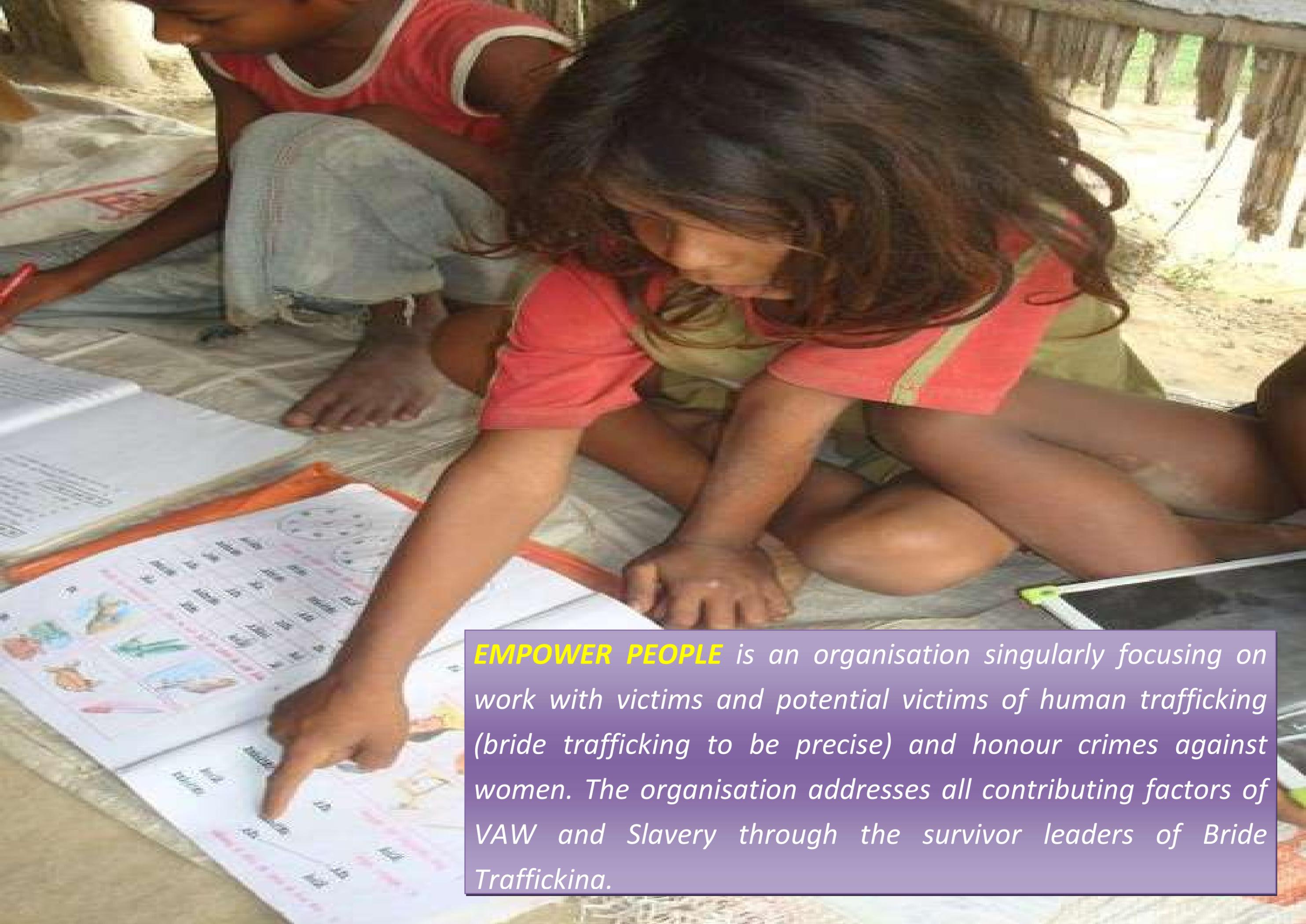
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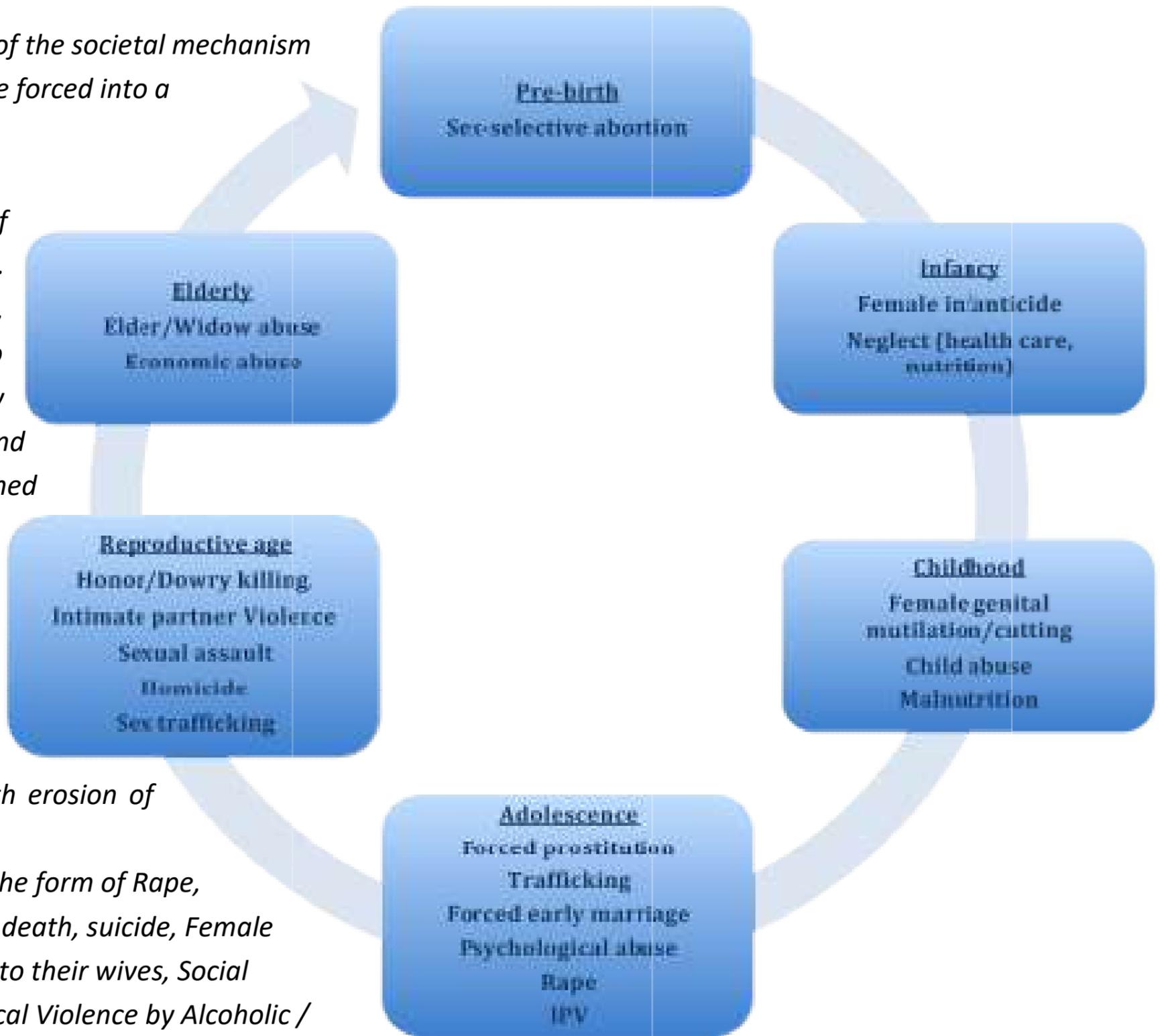


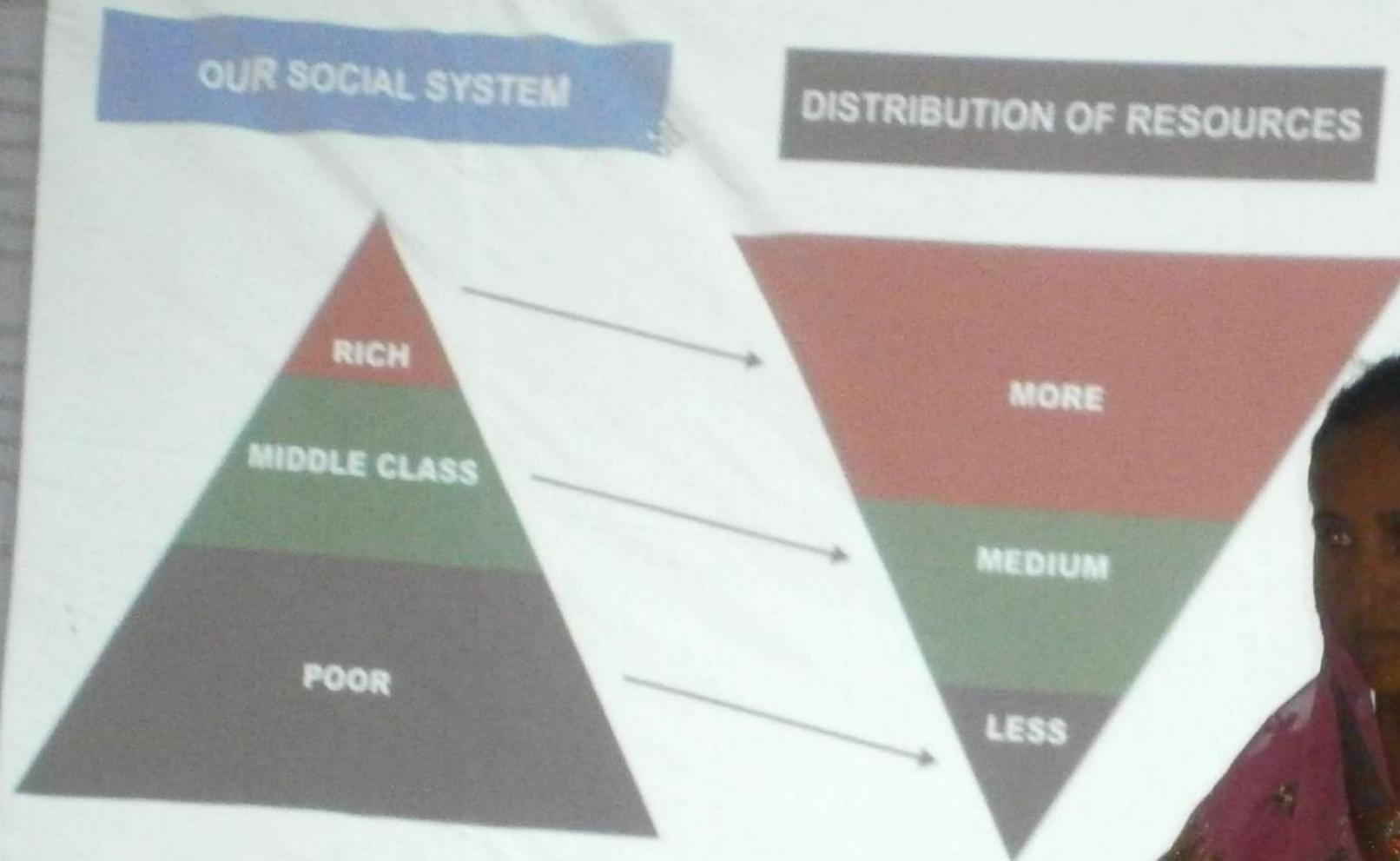
EMPOWER PEOPLE is an organisation singularly focusing on work with victims and potential victims of human trafficking (bride trafficking to be precise) and honour crimes against women. The organisation addresses all contributing factors of VAW and Slavery through the survivor leaders of Bride Traffickina.

Violence against Women is largely prevailing because of the societal mechanism Combined with patriarchal values by which women are forced into a subordinate position.

Violence is defined as a physical act of aggression of one individual or group against another or others. Violence results in or is likely to result in physical, sexual, psychological harm or suffering. This also includes the threat of such act, coercion or arbitrary deprivation of liberty in public or private life and violation of human rights of women in situation of armed conflicts. While the basic reason for violence against women is their lower status in a male dominated society educationally, economically, politically and socially, there are other factors too. The increasing criminalisation of society, media images of violence, poor enforcement of legal provision, unabashed, and rising incidents of alcoholism and addiction alongwith erosion of traditional values have all added to it.

Violence against women is also getting manifested in the form of Rape, sexual abuse, sexual harassment at workplace, dowry death, suicide, Female Foeticide and Female Infanticide, harassment by NRIs to their wives, Social Violence against Widows and Psychological and Physical Violence by Alcoholic / Addict Husband to their Wives.





Empower people transforms trafficking victims into community leaders and gives them enough courage to become a voice for their respective communities. The survivors not only help in rescue and rehabilitation work but also intervene in matters related to violation of rights of local women and children.



**In Rural areas, out of a
100 girls who enroll in
class 1, only 1 reaches
Class12.**

Worlds of India's Girls 2014, Tiss

Education

Education especially for women is an important agent of socialization, and instrument of social transformation, and a channel of social mobility and equity. Education of girls and women has to be a universal movement for their empowerment, for changing current stereotyped and replacing the existing structures.

Within an overall orientation toward girls' education, your organisation is running "CDC" Programme being one of the parts of overall strategy of universalisation of Elementary Education (UEE). CDC programme is an alternative path to children who for different reasons cannot attend primary school e.g. girls who have to look after their younger siblings and attend to other domestic chores, working children etc.

**Through Our Intervention in
85 Villages of 10 States 3217
Girl Children are continuing
their education.**

**We enabled 12640 vulnerable
children to attend schools.**

Trafficking

We are working in destination and source areas of bride trafficking, not only on rescue and rehabilitation

Everyday 85 girls are being abducted for the purpose of marriage in which 35 are minor, 2 are less than 10 years

NCRB data

4257 Girls/women have been rescued and rehabilitated since 2006. 40 out of these are now working as community leaders and engaged as leaders of our thematic programs with an independent social Identity. EMPOWER PEOPLE has created 20 CBOs and 252 village commune under leadership of amazing ladies.

- India has the Highest number of enslaved people in the World.
- 76% human trafficking cases in India over the past

but also working on pushing factors of trafficking, poverty alleviation, creation of employment, engaging landless and small landholding communities with market-led

livelihoods intervention for farm-based products like lemongrass, banana, paddy, Tomato, Potato and medicinal plants. We are also promoting Gender equality at grassroots level, working on domestic violence, honor crimes, issues related to dowry and share of daughter in Inheritance.

EMPOWER PEOPLE has intervened a total **88 cases** of Honour killing in all those

Whole social life is surrounded by and revolves around all these traditional beliefs and values. The source of all this is developed over a time and influenced slowly and slowly and socially these things were approved by the society. States, bordering the National Capital, where the regional or cast panchayats give death penalty for the youth who loves a girl irrespective of caste, Subcast (Gotra) creed, religion, family background. The worst part is knowingly the police acts as a mere spectator and they don't even register the case and if by chance the case is registered no proper action is taken in lieu of the excessive social pressure. In the history of Indian democracy no law is there to take action against the regional or cast panchayats who pass such judgments and

EMPOWER PEOPLE has taken up **27,513 cases of Domestic violence** throughout the decade

are not taken to task in lieu of social pressure. It is because of this reason the regional and caste panchayats are so harsh that they give death penalty straight away irrespective of what the circumstances are. The caste panchayats are in themselves special court of law like the khap panchayat (Federal clan council of the Jats and other kindred people of Upper Doab, Haryana and neighboring areas) as known by the name. It hears matters relating to 12 to 14 villages and various matters and problems relating to them. It is mentioned in their history that their way of approaching and handling the things is not only inhumane but it is against the laws because whenever they sit in a group they are more powerful than the police and the court of law. The youth and women even older women are the maximum victims of these panchayats. Due to all these glaring facts the opposition of people has not been seen. It is due to the reason that a responsible citizen of the society has tried his level best to hide the actual facts.

60 % Honour killings are in North Indian states.

Honour killing cases registered in India have soared by nearly 800 per cent in 2016 with 251 cases

Livelihood



At 53% India has one of the worse gender gaps in the world when it comes to labor force participation.

(world bank 2015)

Only **27%** of Indian women are in the labor force



If the number of female workers were to increase to the same level as the number of men, GDP in India would increased by

27%

EMPOWER PEOPLE has created a good impact with enabling

1327 women into Organic farming, beekeeping and small scale industries to reduce risk of being trafficked or fall in any trap due to poverty.

EP has enabled **4800** women in tailoring-sewing, weaving, painting and handcrafting since 2011 under livelihood initiative through Paro/Molki commune

By providing skills & business training to Trafficking survivors and girls at risk in beekeeping/Mushroom cultivation and several other home based industries are helping girls to support their families – and their commune are committed to assist the neediest at their door step.

मधुमक्खी पालन कर महिलाओं की प्रेरणास्रोत बनी रजनी

कौशलेन्द्र कुमार, शेरघाटी (गया)

भगवान विष्णु एवं बुद्ध की धरती पर नक्सल समस्या से जूझ रहे गांव की महिलाएं जहां घर के चौखट से बाहर निकलने को तरसती थीं वहीं बड़कीबाग के समीप रजनी श्वेता मधुमक्खी पालन करके क्षेत्र के महिलाओं की प्रेरणास्रोत बन गयी है। जिसकी वजह से गांव व आस पास की महिला व पुरुष किसान मधुमक्खी पालन हेतु प्रशिक्षण के लिए उनके पास पहुंच रहे हैं।

रजनी मधुमक्खी पालन के संबंध में बताती हैं कि राष्ट्रीय समाजिक संगठन इम्पावर पीपुल द्वारा वैशाली एवं गया में प्रशिक्षण दिलवाया गया। प्रशिक्षण के बाद यह कार्य काफी अच्छा लगा। जिसमें हमारे पति, सास और भ्रसुर का भी भरपूर सहयोग मिला। आजकल बिहार सरकार द्वारा नब्बे प्रतिशत अनुदान पर रानी मधुमक्खी समेत बक्सा उपलब्ध कराये जा रहे हैं। दस बक्से से मधुमक्खी पालन शुरू करने वाली इस महिला के पास आज एक साल के अंदर 25 बक्से मधुमक्खी



हो चुके हैं। मधु बेचने के लिए उन्हें कहीं नहीं जाना पड़ता है। जानकार लोग घर से मधु ले जाते हैं।

श्रीमति श्वेता ने बताया कि शुरू में मधुमक्खी उड़ते देख काफी डर लगा। प्रशिक्षण के बाद मालूम हो गया कि पालतू को जब तक छेड़ा नहीं जाता तब तक वह काटता नहीं है। मधुमक्खी काटना भी एक उपचार व इलाज है, गठिया के मरीज को इससे लाभ होता है। बक्से में तीन तरह की मधुमक्खी होती है रानी, ड्रोन और वर्कर। रानी मधुमक्खी प्रतिदिन 1500-2000 अंडे देती है। मगर रानी मधुमक्खी अंडे तभी देती जब उसके छते में भरपूर मात्रा में भोजन उपलब्ध होगा। मधुमक्खी पालन शुरू करने का समय अक्टूबर से दिसम्बर है। खादी ग्रामोद्योग के कई पदाधिकारी भी इनसे शहद लेने को तैयार हैं। बाजार में शहद की कीमत दो से द्वाइ



मधुमक्खी पालन वाला बक्सा

जामरण

सौ रुपये प्रति किलोग्राम है। कल तक पैसों की मोहताज इस महिला के पास अपनी कमाई से व जानकारी से गांव में इनका मान सम्मान दुगना हो गया है। मधुमक्खी पालन से अनुमानित आय 80000 प्रति वर्ष है। इसके अलावे डेयर प्रोजेक्ट गव्य पालन के लिए भी इनके पति नीलेश कुमार ने डेयरी से फार्म भरा है। मैट्रिक पास श्वेता ने ससुराल में

आकर इंटर किया। अब बकिबाजार वर्मा इंटर कालेज से ग्रेजुएशन कर रही हैं। बेरोजगारी के इस दौर में अपने इस प्रोजेक्ट के अलावे गांव में मशरूम की खेती, जैविक खेती, वर्मी कम्पोस्ट, जड़ी बूटी की खेती, स्टीवीया का पौधा, डेयरी, बागवानी तथा कुटीर उद्योग करने का लक्ष्य रखा है। जिसके लिए इम्पावर पीपुल से सहारा ले रही हैं।

Leadership

EMPOWER PEOPLE believe that Survivors have right to speak and Demand their rights and also they have Humanistic obligation to make

252 Commune are being led by survivor leader who works to help local women as well as children.

40 Leaders are leading local community and emerging as panchayat leaders.

7 Group of women is developing social enterprise to establish independent business in their respective communities.

only other trafficked women but also local women and children. Paro/Molki commune is mass organization for survivors of Bride trafficking currently working in 252 Villages of Haryana.

sure that cycle of exploitation should be vanished out from the society.

Paro/Molki

Commune was formed with the same idea and works in local society to help not



Intervention Area

ASSAM Barpeta Karimganj Kokrajhar Darang Guwahati	Haryana Jind Kurukshetra Mewat	Punjab Patiala
Bihar Gaya Jehanabad	Jharkhand Chatra HazariBagh	Rajasthan Alwar Bharat Pur
	Himachal Pradesh Sirmaur Shimla	West Bengal Malda Murshidabad Dinajpur

Focus Area/Good presence

Improvement needed

Need to reorganize