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Dear Friends,

As we reflect on the past year, I'm filled with gratitude for the unwavering dedication and tireless efforts of our team in addressing the urgent needs of individuals trapped in the cruel clutches of human trafficking. It's through our collective endeavors that we've been able to bring hope and restoration to countless lives.

Over the years, we've witnessed the transformative power of compassion and action. Each rescue mission has not only liberated victims from the depths of despair but has also reignited a sense of optimism in their hearts, reminding them that their dreams are within reach once again.

Our journey has been marked by challenges and triumphs, yet our resolve remains unshakeable. We are driven by a shared vision to dismantle the chains of captivity and eradicate the grave injustices of modern-day slavery. It is this vision that fuels our passion and propels us forward in our mission.

As we look to the future, our commitment to this cause remains steadfast. We are dedicated to providing survivors with the support they need to rebuild their lives with dignity and purpose. This includes access to quality education, prioritizing their mental well-being, and empowering them with opportunities for a brighter future within society.

Together, let us continue to stand united in our fight against human trafficking. With each step forward, we bring hope to those who need it most and reaffirm our collective commitment to creating a world free from exploitation and injustice.

Thank you for your unwavering support and solidarity.

Warm regards,



Nirmala B Walter
Founder and Social Worker

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About

Manobal is involved in anti-human trafficking efforts through interception, reporting, rescue, rehabilitation, repatriation and restoration. We provide 24×7 help to people in need of liberation from trafficking. We conduct intelligence-based operations and rescue sex trafficking victims with the help of the police.

Manobal strives to support survivors of sex-trafficking in every phase of their journey to freedom; through counselling, legal help, and mentorship. We 'walk' with the victim all the way to her restoration and reintegration back in the society.

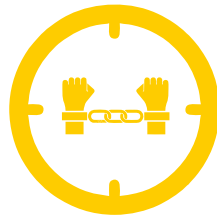
We also strive to empower survivors to overcome their traumatic past and be the leading voice in shaping policy and public awareness.

Manobal is founded by Nirmala Walter, a social worker who has been working relentlessly to rescue girls and women from brothels and sex rackets in India, for over 15 years. She has won accolades and awards from Delhi Police for her unflinching effort in stopping sex trafficking in Delhi, West Bengal, UP, Punjab and Maharashtra.

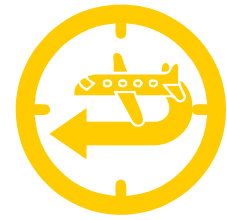
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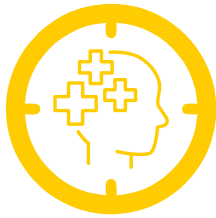
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RESCUED**



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**TRAFFICKERS
ARRESTED**



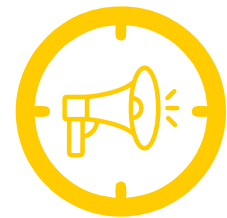
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**REPATRIATION
AND RESTORE**



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**REHABILITATION
BENEFICIARY**



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**TRAINING AND
WORKSHOPS**



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**AWARENESS
PROGRAM**



12000
**PEOPLE WERE
IMPACTED BY THE
AWARENESS.**



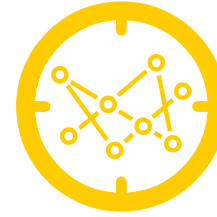
1200
**STUDENTS
AWARE ON
HUMAN TRAFFICKING
DRUGS AND POCSO**



15
COLLABORATIONS



15
**GIRLS EMPOWERED
BY VOCATIONAL TRAINING**



175
**HUMAN TRAFFICKING
VICTIMS SOCIAL AND
EMOTIONAL WELL BEING
CONNECTION**

मल्टीलेवल कार पार्किंग की ओर
/Multilevel Car Parking

स्टेशन
Station

EVERY LIFE MATTERS
प्रत्येक जीवन महत्व रखता है।
#NOwhumantrafficking
#manoba a new beginning

PROJECTS

AABHAS



The Abhas Prevention Project targets areas of society at high risk, equipping people with the necessary knowledge to avoid potentially exploitative situations and adopt preventive methods. It also tries to bring awareness among the general public so that they can keep their surrounding area safe.

To stop human trafficking, it is necessary to make common people aware about it. Especially the people of those groups who are close to this risk. No one enters into exploitation willingly, they are ensnared by deceit and false promises. Sometimes poverty is also the reason for this.

Through Abhas Project, we target those areas of society where awareness is most needed and we try to reach out to as many people as possible. We talk to people through social media and in person and make them aware of human trafficking.

Our campaigns spread information to the people who need it most, in their language, telling them:

- How to spot the signs of trafficking
- Where to report it
- Offer to signpost to safety
- To inform about government schemes and plans

These awareness campaigns are delivered in collaboration with partners with a key presence within each community. We have, for example, partnered with local organisation including law enforcement, NGOs, police and media, as well as education institution and students, which are integrated in the local community.

Impact

Our awareness campaigns are reaching thousands of people and making a positive difference to the environment, making the general public curious, reducing the risk to traffickers and increasing the safety of vulnerable people.

Under the Abhaas Project, Manobal conducted an extensive awareness campaign against human trafficking, aiming to educate communities and individuals about the dangers of trafficking and empower them to recognize and combat it.

Manobal deployed teams to various areas of Delhi and across the country to conduct on-ground awareness activities. Teams engaged with communities directly, providing information and resources to raise awareness about human trafficking. The campaign targeted key locations such as main markets, railway stations, bus stations, schools, and colleges.

Approximately 1200 students and more than 12000 members of the general public were reached and provided with information about human trafficking.

The campaign successfully raised awareness about the signs, risks, and preventive measures related to human trafficking.

Various government and non-government organizations collaborated to support the campaign, including:

- Delhi Police District Child Protection Units
- National Commission for Women
- Railway Protection Force (RPF)
- Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)
- Sakhi One Stop Centers
- University of Delhi

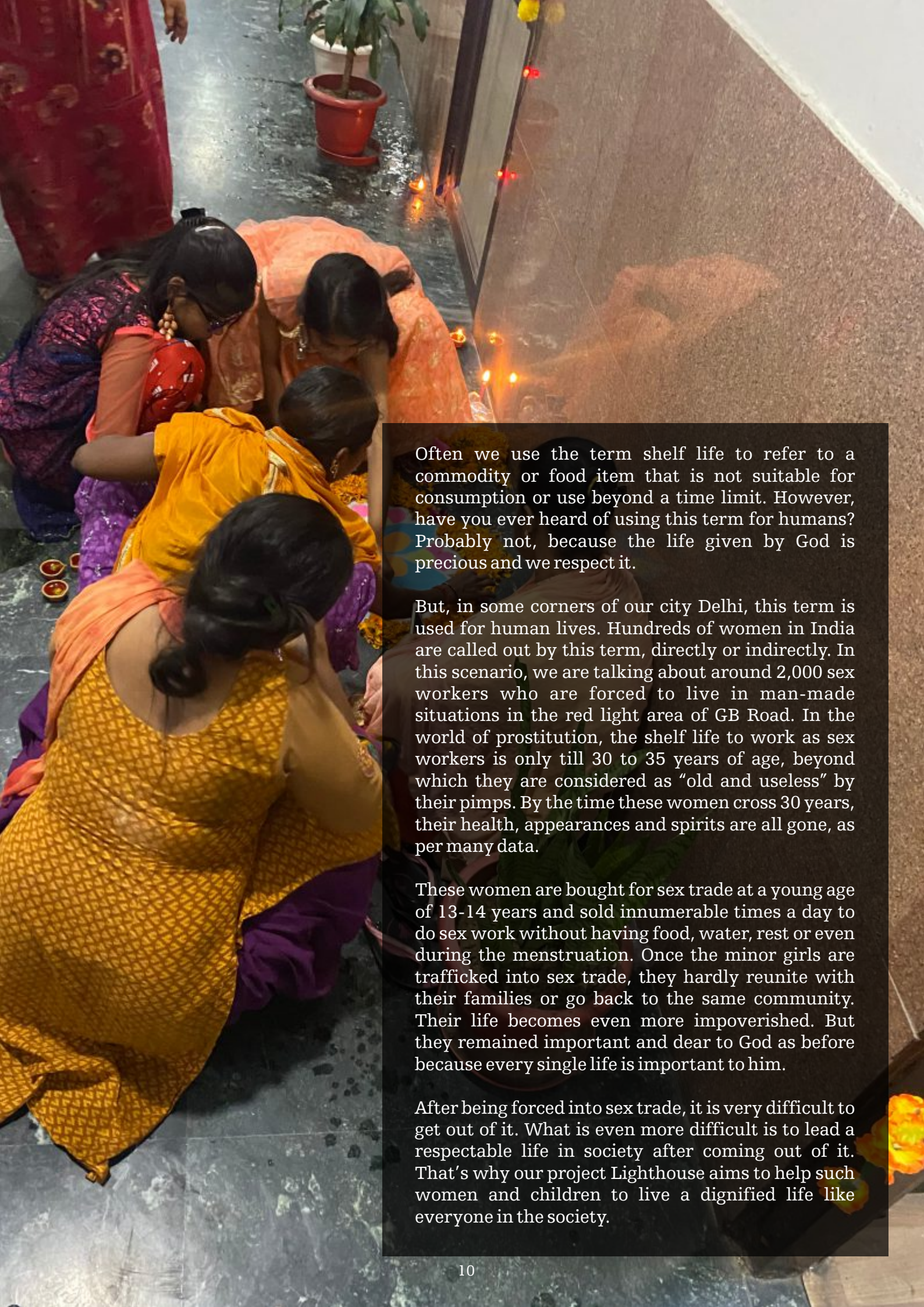
The Abhaas Project's awareness campaign against human trafficking is a significant step towards combating this crime. By collaborating with local communities and key stakeholders, Manobal effectively disseminated vital information and resources, contributing to the prevention and mitigation of human trafficking in Delhi and beyond.





PROJECTS

LIGHT HOUSE



Often we use the term shelf life to refer to a commodity or food item that is not suitable for consumption or use beyond a time limit. However, have you ever heard of using this term for humans? Probably not, because the life given by God is precious and we respect it.

But, in some corners of our city Delhi, this term is used for human lives. Hundreds of women in India are called out by this term, directly or indirectly. In this scenario, we are talking about around 2,000 sex workers who are forced to live in man-made situations in the red light area of GB Road. In the world of prostitution, the shelf life to work as sex workers is only till 30 to 35 years of age, beyond which they are considered as "old and useless" by their pimps. By the time these women cross 30 years, their health, appearances and spirits are all gone, as per many data.

These women are bought for sex trade at a young age of 13-14 years and sold innumerable times a day to do sex work without having food, water, rest or even during the menstruation. Once the minor girls are trafficked into sex trade, they hardly reunite with their families or go back to the same community. Their life becomes even more impoverished. But they remained important and dear to God as before because every single life is important to him.

After being forced into sex trade, it is very difficult to get out of it. What is even more difficult is to lead a respectable life in society after coming out of it. That's why our project Lighthouse aims to help such women and children to live a dignified life like everyone in the society.

Manobal embarked on a mission to bring light into the lives of victims of prostitution, aiming to offer hope and support to those trapped in the darkness of their circumstances. Through various initiatives and collaborations, Manobal strives to bridge the gap between society and the women ensnared in prostitution due to human trafficking.

In a heartwarming event, more than 50 women from the Sadanand Marg Red Light area participated in a Diwali celebration organized by Manobal. Amidst the festivities, the women adorned the premises of the police station with vibrant Rangoli and Diyas, expressing their joy and gratitude. The event garnered significant support from the Delhi Police and Sukhmanch Theatre, underscoring the collective effort to bring light and joy to these women's lives.

Rani (name changed), a pioneering woman rescued under the Light House Project, symbolizes a beacon of hope for others. Through Manobal's sustained support and Rani's unwavering courage, she embarks on a journey towards reclaiming her life from the shadows of exploitation. Rani's story stands as an inaugural success, inspiring further efforts under the Light House Project to rescue and rehabilitate victims of human trafficking.

Manobal recognizes the importance of bridging the gap between society and women trapped in prostitution. By fostering understanding, empathy, and support, Manobal endeavors to create pathways for these women to reintegrate into society and access the assistance they need to rebuild their lives.



Celebrating International Women's Day in the red light area was a poignant reminder of the transformative power of small gestures and moments of connection. Simple acts of kindness and recognition brought immense joy to the women, fostering a sense of belonging and hope for a brighter future. These celebrations serve as bridges that cultivate relationships and pave the way for these women's journey from darkness to light.

While Manobal's efforts may seem modest in scale, they carry immense potential to make a profound difference in the lives of those affected by prostitution and human trafficking. Each interaction, celebration, and initiative represents a step towards empowerment, advocacy, and ultimately, the preservation of human dignity. Manobal remains committed to its mission, knowing that every life matters and every small step forward brings us closer to a world where exploitation and darkness are replaced by hope and illumination.





RESCUE AND REPATRIATION

On August 11th, 2022, Manobal received distressing information regarding a 25-year-old woman from Uganda who had been lured into prostitution under false pretenses of a job opportunity in India. Acting swiftly, Manobal rescued the victim, provided her with interim shelter, and ensured the lodging of an FIR. The victim received counseling to prevent re-trafficking and was safely repatriated to Uganda with the assistance of Rehab Uganda, marking the beginning of her rehabilitation journey and reuniting her with her family.

In another instance, Manobal promptly responded to intelligence regarding a missing person. On October 7th, 2022, in collaboration with Delhi Police Crime Branch Anti Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) and Pune Police, Manobal conducted a joint rescue operation in Pune, Maharashtra. Despite the challenges of executing the operation in treacherous terrain, the mission was successful, emphasizing Manobal's commitment to restoring justice and making society safer.

On June 15th, Manobal rescued six Ugandan women trapped in sex trafficking in Punjab. Inspired by a similar operation the previous year, Manobal collaborated with Punjab Police to execute the rescue, discovering additional victims during the operation. Although initial challenges arose regarding missing passports, diligent efforts by Punjab Police eventually led to their recovery. With the support of Rehab Uganda, one victim was safely repatriated home.

On July 26th, 2023, Manobal A New Beginning Foundation, in coordination with Delhi Police, rescued two Ugandan girls from human trafficking in Delhi. The successful rescue, initiated after the victims reached out to Manobal Foundation via Facebook Messenger, highlights the importance of swift and decisive action in addressing such atrocities.



Furthermore, on December 31st, 2023, Manobal and Delhi Police intervened to save a life and restore hope and freedom in a critical situation, reaffirming their dedication to protecting vulnerable individuals and combating human trafficking.

These consolidated events underscore Manobal's unwavering commitment to rescuing victims, facilitating their rehabilitation, and collaborating with law enforcement agencies and partner organizations to combat human trafficking and restore dignity to those affected.





TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS

Manobal has been instrumental in educating society about the harsh realities of human trafficking and modern-day slavery through comprehensive training programs. By disseminating knowledge and awareness through various initiatives, Manobal empowers individuals to recognize trafficking signs, comprehend its community-wide impact, and take proactive measures against it. This commitment to education and advocacy has cultivated an informed and vigilant community dedicated to combating this egregious violation of human rights.

Manobal Foundation recently organized a mental health workshop at Kamla Market police station on April 28th. One more mental health workshop featured esteemed guest speakers, including P. Tommaso, psychologist and EMDR therapist, and K. Aries, founder of Mahilah& Co organization, who shared valuable insights into mental health and human rights issues. Additionally, on June 20th, a session on combating human trafficking was held at the South-West District Magistrate Office, drawing active participation from government officials and NGO workers. This initiative, organized by the South-West Sakhi One Stop Center and Dadadev, aimed to raise awareness about human trafficking and propose effective solutions to prevent it.

Furthermore, Manobal is dedicated to empowering girls in hostels by providing skill development and livelihood opportunities. Through this project, training has been provided in various fields such as caregiving, retail and hospitality, data entry operations, security, and housekeeping, facilitating financial independence for these individuals. These initiatives underscore Manobal's commitment to fostering a society that is equipped to combat human trafficking and ensure the well-being of vulnerable populations.







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