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AUSTRALIA

PR & EVENTS Pty Ltd

To mark the Day,

PR & Events organized the 8th Australian Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect in Melbourne (November 19-22) attended by over 800 delegates.

12 Keynote speakers from Australia, United Kingdom, Ireland and New Zealand and over 200 papers were presented on the subject of child abuse and neglect.

Established in December 1999, PR & Events' vision is to be a lead organization in managing corporate communications, organizing conferences, special events and programs.

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AZERBAIJAN

AZERBAIJAN WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (AWDC)

To mark the Day,

The Azerbaijan Child-to-Child Network (ACCPN), together with AWDC, created an alliance of NGOs working for the rights of the child under the umbrella of the Global Movement for Children, and organized trainings on the study and implementation of child rights in cities, rural districts, and refugee camps.

Children themselves identified via interactive discussions the priorities of child rights protection, i.e.. education, health, conflict resolution and peace making, and integration in the international child rights and peace networks.

A meeting of the Azerbaijan NGO Alliance for Child Rights was also organized. Participants discussed activities on the implementation of child rights, child hostage by Armenian aggressors on occupied Azerbaijan territories (over 20 % of the country). It was decided to urge Heads of Government and religious communities world wide to provide children with prevention skills against abuse, and protection in war and armed conflicts

AWDC, a non-profit NGO, was created in June 1994 with the intention to work on the implementation of development programs and improve the status of women, children and the elderly in the transition period, aggravated by war.

AWDC has special consultative status with the United Nations (ECOSOC and UNDPI), is the UN INSTRAW and IBFAW focal point, and Azerbaijan member of the Asia Pacific Women Watch and 15 other international organizations and networks.

Training, information and educational programs, workshops and conferences for national NGOs are being organized regularly on topics of vital importance for women and children in close collaboration with UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF and UNDPI.

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BANGLADESH

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS IN BANGLADESH (NFYOB)

To mark the Day,

NFYOB arranged a round table discussion with representatives of youth and children's organizations, a child rally and projection of children's films.

56 representatives from youth and child organizations working directly on protection and in child development programs took part in discussions and suggested recommendations such as awareness raising campaigns and advocacy for the national media in order to catalyze urgent action against the sale and trafficking of children and women, their sexual abuse, and any other form of exploitation, torture and maltreatment.

Created in 1985, NFYOB is the coordinating council of youth organizations in Bangladesh, which includes 480 dues paying member organizations and about 4000 youth organizations as primary members. NFYOB has consultative status with ECOSOC of the United Nations.

It is a leader and pioneer in the social movement and its activities include youth employment, poverty eradication, mass education, environmental protection, child rights, human rights, drug abuse prevention treatment, motivation and rehabilitation programs, promotion and construction of a sustainable culture of peace and non violence.

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CHINA

CENTER FOR PREVENTION OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND DEPARTMENT OF PEDIATRICS

To mark the Day,

The Department of Pediatrics held a meeting where participants discussed different forms of violence, how to avoid victimization, and how NGOs can raise awareness about the problem of child abuse. It generated strategies to help with prevention skills and rehabilitation of abused children, raise awareness of the issue of child abuse, and how to prevent victimization of children by collaborating with networks of institutions.

Many social workers, the public at large and journalists attended the meeting. Slogans and texts on prevention of child abuse and neglect were read, a song was sung, and news and activities were publicized in newspapers and reported on several radio stations.

The Department of Pediatrics, which held a first national seminar on prevention of child abuse in 1998, regularly publishes books and medical papers, set up a hot line for everyone in need for advice and organizes actions for awareness raising on TV and radio.

The department's director who is the focal point against sexual abuse and exploitation is also an ISPCAN member and a WHO temporary advisor.

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INDIA

ACTION AGAINST TRAFFICKING & SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN (ATSEC INDIA)

To mark the Day,

ATSEC organized a workshop on prevention of child abuse with 64 participants, a sit-in and drawing program with 200 children, and a children's meeting (aged 12-18) where they discussed the issue in the presence of their parents and guardians. It also launched two posters in Bengali language on the issue of child abuse.

ATSEC is the largest network on the issue of prevention of child trafficking and sexual exploitation of children. It was created in 1998 by 15 West Bengal NGOs and 15 NGOs from Bangladesh, actually counting 17 States and 104 NGO members.

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INDIA

EXTENSIVE RURAL POOR DEVELOPMENT ORGANISATION (ERPDO)

To mark the Day,

ERPDO translated the educational briefing by Dr. Sherryll Kraizer into Telugu and disseminated it in most schools and human rights organizations, women and child rights associations and activists.

More than 7500 brochures of the educational briefing were distributed throughout the entire District with active participation of NGOs and women's groups.

ERPDO is a non-profit organization established in 1987, and working in remote areas of Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh State in South India.

It works with daliths and tribal populations and its target group includes women, child laborers and the disabled.

ERPDO works in the fields of poverty alleviation, health care, education and environmental protection, and runs 10 non-formal education centers for the children of laborers.

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INDIA

INDIAN COMMITTEE OF YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS (ICYO)

To mark the Day,

ICYO realized two posters on sexual abuse and exploitation of children.

ICYO is a national coordinating body of 350 Youth NGOs that works for the elimination of sexual child abuse and exploitation.

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INDIA

INDIAN INSTITUTE FOR PEACE, DISARMAMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

To mark the Day,

The Indian Institute for Peace, Disarmament & Environmental Protection organized two meetings, the first one focusing on different forms of child abuse in Indian society and the second one was a meeting with schoolgirls.

The Indian Institute for Peace, Disarmament & Environmental Protection is a non-political and non-profit NGO working for peace and human rights, women's rights as human rights, women's role in peace building and environmental protection, and disarmament and nuclear disarmament. Research, public education and awareness are the main aims and objects of the Institute.

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INDIA

LI ENVIRONMENTICA

To mark the Day,

Li Environmentica organized a street play involving eight children to create awareness about child abuse and its negative impact on society. Several dozens of people gathered to view the play and were interviewed which revealed a marked impact on them.

A “cloth bank” was also established. Over 750 collected clothing items were repaired, washed, ironed and distributed to street- and poor children.

Li Environmentica also organized an informal education camp for 31 children (all living below the poverty line) who never attended school or are school dropouts, and who either worked or not.

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INDIA

SAMBHAV SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATION

To mark the Day,

Sambhav disseminated the material sent by WWSF among centers where it is working on the issue of the rights of the child and prevention of child abuse. It organized a one day discussion with colleagues in the organization, and initiated activities in several areas, e.g. group discussions on threats of abuse by employers (in stone quarries) and family relatives; small exhibitions, street theatre and a children's rally shouting slogans, and card playing with messages on the rights of the child, the girl child, as well as on the importance of education and legal sanctions against unacceptable conduct with children.

Sambhav is a NGO working in the field of rural development since 1987 to fight gender bias, child abuse and deprivation of tribal and other vulnerable groups. Sambhav promotes good governance practice and understanding among all groups, classes and cultures through advocacy, conflict resolution and education.

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INDIA

SAVE THE CHILDREN INDIA

To mark the Day,

Save the Children India organized discussions, competitions in schools and NGOs, workshops with children to create awareness on different forms of violence, how to avoid victimization and how NGOs can in collaboration with other networks, increase awareness and generate strategies for integration of child abuse prevention- and rehabilitation programs.

Save the Children India participated in several forums and conventions and organized the South Asian Conference to combat trafficking and sexual exploitation of children that brought together partners from all over India, Bangladesh and Nepal.

Since its establishment in 1988, Save the Children India develops programs in the fields of health and education, schools for the handicapped, pre-school programs for children from metropolitan underprivileged communities, a hospital and an anti AIDS programs.

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INDIA

SOCIETY OF UNDERPRIVILEGED PEOPLE'S (SOUP)

To mark the Day,

SOUP collaborated with the Joint Women's Program (JWP) and the All India Dalit Women's Forum (AIDWF).

The educational briefing by Dr. Sherryll Kraizer, translated into Hindi by SOUP, was distributed to over 20'000 persons, and earthen lamps (specially created) were given to 2001 families that lit them to commemorate the World Day of prevention of child abuse in their families and communities.

SOUP also formulated a program to reach out to schools and communities during the year, teaching preventive techniques to children and their families. Each selected family will teach another ten families and in turn the ten families will teach another ten, etc.

District authorities, eminent personalities and leaders have been informed about the program.

Created in 1983, SOUP is a movement of people fighting for their freedom and for the creation of a new society that will not tolerate exploitation and oppression. Its main objective is to reduce vulnerable persons as well as women's marginalisation through awareness raising and people's organizations enforcement. The organization's particularity is that men also take part in the fight for women's human rights.

Emphasis is on the grass roots level (women and the community in rural and urban areas); issue based campaigns, networking at the regional and national level among women's groups; studies; conferences and workshops promoting action.

Especially concerned with specific areas of violation of human rights (as these effect women and children of castes and tribes), SOUP also works in the field of school training, health and VIH/AIDS prevention, and in rescuing women and children involved in prostitution.

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INDIA

YOUTH WELFARE CLUB (R) SHAHKOT

To mark the Day,

The Youth Welfare Club organized public debates, seminars and workshops with other organizations, teachers and experts. Related programs with school children carrying posters with messages such as “Stop Child Labor and Child Abuse” to demonstrate against the increasing danger of child abuse were also organized.

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INDONESIA

INDONESIAN CENTER FOR EDUCATION STUDY AND ADVOCACY OF CHILDREN (PERISAI)

To mark the Day,

PERISAI organized a press conference on child trafficking for sexual purposes in preparation for commemorating the World Day for Prevention of Child Abuse. PERISAI joined with two other NGOs, the Setara Foundation (Street Children Foundation) and the Legal Resource Center–Gender Justice and Human Rights (LCR – KJHAM).

PERISAI is continuing its work and lobbies a radio station to hold talk shows about child abuse in human trafficking.

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LEBANON

THE LEBANESE COUNCIL TO RESIST VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN (LCRVAW)

To mark the Day,

LCRVAW organized two main activities: the launch of a book on child abuse (for young people) and “Mother’s Letters to children kidnapped by their fathers” publicized in several newspapers.

LCRVAW was established in 1997 in response to the alarming rate of violent acts against women. Its main goal: to bring the issue of violence in the private sphere into the public sphere. In order to reach its goal, LCRVAW locally, nationally and internationally disseminates information, lobbies for legal and social reforms, provides free legal counseling to victims of violence, and networks with affiliated groups and organizations.

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MALAYSIA

MALAYSIAN COALITION FOR THE PREVENTION OF SEXUAL CHILD ABUSE (MCPCSA)

To mark the Day,

MCPCSA organized a press conference to introduce a “Child Sexual Abuse Reporting Procedure”, a handbook with useful and essential information thanks to information provided by the police and hospital reporting systems, which includes information on the healing process, foster care, and a list of coalition partners to be contacted for further information and support.

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PAKISTAN

ROZAN

To mark the Day,

ROZAN organized a seminar for parents on the issue of sexual child abuse, a poster competition for children, a drama directed and played by young volunteers, a press release for national dailies about the significance of the World Day as well as articles on sexual child abuse.

ROZAN is a NGO that works on emotional health and self-esteem of women and children especially. One of its programs deals with sexual child abuse and consists of awareness raising, training and orientation with children, teachers and parents.

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PHILIPPINES

CHILDHOPE ASIA PHILIPPINES

To mark the Day,

Childhope Asia Philippines organized in coordination with local councils for the protection of children (LCPC) a contest in essay writing and in slogans and poster making to promote awareness of children's rights and child abuse among people in the community. Each participating child received a prize.

Launched in 1986, Childhope is an international, non-profit organization working for street children. Its main functions include research (situation analysis, case studies, evaluation), advocacy for the rights of street children, conducting training sessions (workshops, seminars), establishing a global network to gain access to information, technical assistance and other resources. Its mission is to provide alternative education opportunities and psychosocial support for street children.

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PHILIPPINES

GRASSROOTS WOMEN EMPOWERMENT CENTER, Inc. (GWEC, Inc.)

To mark the Day,

GWEC, together with its partner women organizations gathered more than 400 women, men and children and organized a children's march in the main square of Caloocan, speeches from different children advocates, as well as a release of doves and white balloons. The city mayor and counselors extended their full support by providing police officers to direct traffic and security for participants, as well as food, balloons, streamers and sound systems.

A cultural presentation for participants was also organized.

Created in 1992 by a group of concerned women, GWEC is a non-profit NGO whose mission is to contribute to the empowerment of women by connecting disadvantaged and professional women in urban communities via support structures for awareness-raising regarding women's roles in the society.

Its main goals are to provide opportunities for individual members and partner women's organizations, to initiate, plan, manage and sustain projects responding to needs in the community as a whole; to provide adequate access to livelihood in order to improve their economic condition and minimize/eliminate the need to borrow money; to provide opportunities for women in skill training, to develop strategies, among others.

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REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

LIVE IN VANUATU EVERYDAY (LIVE!)

To mark the Day,

LIVE organized power points, photographs and video presentations, an entertainment education during lunchtime inside the French Embassy. It also placed posters and banners about the World Day for Prevention of Child Abuse throughout the main streets including the street of the Government seat.

LIVE!, whose mission is to prevent violence against self and others, works to reduce all forms of abuse including self-abuse from alcoholism, other drug addiction, psychological, emotional, sexual and other physical abuse through education and compassionate intervention.

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