



Message of Hon'ble Governor of Andhra Pradesh
Sri Biswa Bhusan Harichandan
on the occasion of release of Handbooks on
Human Trafficking for authorities in Andhra Pradesh
brought out by Prajwala, at Raj Bhavan on April 8, 2021

A very good morning to you all. It gives me immense pleasure to be part of this programme today to launch the Handbook on Human Trafficking for all concerned stakeholders in Andhra Pradesh.

I have no doubt that the set of five user-friendly handbooks on human trafficking for the authorities in Andhra Pradesh will be helpful to the stakeholders in the prevention of human trafficking in the State.

These handbooks represent the unique and pioneering effort of anti-trafficking NGO Prajwala. The hand books contain laws, rules and regulations and judgments of various Courts in cases related to human trafficking.

I am glad to know that Prajwala is doing a pioneering work on anti-trafficking and related crime with the motive of 'Prevention, Protection, Rescue, Rehabilitation & Re-integration'. Prajwala has been recognised nationally and internationally for its victim-centred services as the organization NGO has assisted the police in rescuing over 24,000 women and girls from sex slavery and facilitating their journey towards rehabilitation.

I am confident that these hand books will be useful to all the stakeholders as ready reckoner and will empower the duty-bearers to effectively tackle cases of human trafficking with a victim-centric approach.

To tackle human trafficking, prosecution and punishment of offenders must be pursued as well as legal action to seize their assets.

In addition to Government authorities, the role of NGOs such as Prajwala becomes crucial in tackling the menace of human trafficking.

I appreciate the efforts of Ms. Sunitha Krishnan and her team for bringing out the Handbook on Human Trafficking which will be an useful tool in the hands of concerned authorities.

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