WORKSHOP ON
LEGAL EMPOWERMENT FOR WOMEN IN DEVADSI SYSTEM.
29th JUNE 2019
Venue :- Taluka Panchayat chikkodi.

In association with,
Taluka legal services Committee, Taluka panchayat & Amma foundation Chikkodi
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| 10:00 – 10:30 | Inauguration, Chief guest                                 | **Chief guest** :- Chavan, Prinicipal Senior Judge & President TLS committee Chikkode.  
**Guests** :- Vijaendra Bagade Prinicipal Civil Judge JMFC & Member Sccratory, TLS committee ,Mrs. Subba Lakshmi P.D.O Taluka Panchyathi Chikkodi. |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Key note and Objectives of the workshop                   | Manoranjini Adv, HRLN,Bangalore |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | • **Chief Guest Speech**:- on preamble of constitution  | • Mr. Chavan, Prinicipal Senior Judge & President TLS committee Chikkode.  
• Guest speaker ;:- free legal aid services. |
| 11:30 – 1:00 | Discussion                                                  | Chair person :- Mrs. Manjula Activist                                    |
| 12:00 – 12:30 | • Role of women participation in Panchayts and welfare schemes for women of women in panchayts | • **Speakers** ;:- Mrs. Subba Lakshmi P.D.O Taluka Panchyathi ChikkodiSenior civil judge  
• Ms. Savitha Adv, Alternative Law Forum, Bangalore |
| 12:30 – 1:00 | • Laws protection for victims of the devadasi System        | • Mr. M.B.Patil Adv , chikkodi                                           |
| 1:00 – 1:30 | Discussion                                                  |                                                                          |
| 1:30– 2:00 | LUNCH BREK                                                  |                                                                          |
| 2:00– 2:30 | Understanding the discrimination of caste and women in gender concept  | • **Chairperson** - Fr.Alwyn Dsousa Indian social Instituion , Bangalore.  |
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HRLN in collaboration with Taluka Legal Services Committee, Taluka Panchayat, Amma Foundation and Mahila Abhivrudhi mattu Seva Samsthe organized a workshop on ‘Legal Empowerment for Women of Devadasi System’ on 28th June 2019 at the Tuluk Panchayat Office in Chikkodi, Belgaum. There were around 150 devadasi women who attended the program.

The program was inaugurated by Mr S. L. Chavan, Principal Senior Civil Judge and President of TLSC, Chikkodi. He spoke on the fundamental rights and duties of citizens and
called on the participants to be aware of their fundamental rights and fight for them. Adv Mrs Manoranjini spoke on the objectives of HRLN and also the importance of using law in the fight against the devadasi system. Other dignitaries who attended the inaugural session were Mr Vijayakumar Bagade, Principal Civil Judge, JMFC and member and secretary TLS committee,

Mrs Subba Lakshmi, PDO Taluk Panchayat, Ms Savitha Adv ALF, Mr M B Patil, Advocate Chikkodi, and Fr Alwyn D’Souza, Head, Human Rights and Training Unit, ISI-Bangalore. Mr Vijayakumar Bagde, Principal Civil Judge JMFC, Member and Secretary TLS Committee spoke on the free legal aid services and invited the participants to make use of this facility and thus fight for their rights.

Mrs Subba Lakshmi, PDO Taluka Panchayat, Chikkodi spoke on the role of women participation in the panchayats and she invited the participants to make use of the available welfare schemes. In the workshop, many devadasi women shared their problems and pains
As part of the action plan, it was decided to take up a few important issues concerning

All the participants were provided with good lunch and all of them were happy about the workshop and demanded more such workshops. Ms Renuka Setaram Talawar, President of Mahila Abhivrudhi mattu Seva Samsthe compered the entire program. Mrs Shobha Gasti, Secretary Amma Foundation and others organized the event very meticulously
Plan of Action:- 1. Conducting more legal awerence programmes to understand to condemn this cultural religious practice

2. Devadasi children need more legal support for their education and their fathers’ legal identity in school certificates and their property rights

3. Make them to take more Benefits from the government schemes.

4. Government schemes for Devadasi women rehabilitation and land rights

5. Devadasi Children should get legal statues of their fathers’ identity in all the certificates

5. Motivation need for Deavdsi children to participate in all sectors of development.

6. Caste abuse and domestic violence are more with their partners, so they need more to understand the law to protect himself from violence and making their partners more responsible and liable in family relationship under the definition of the “Live in relationship” Domestic violence Act.

Feed Back :- The programme was good, the resource persons were good in their knowledge to share their legal views,. There was good networking happened with Taluka
Legal Services Cell, Taluka Pachayt and with other NGOS and social activists. They are proud to connect with government wings to take their issues individually.

News paper publications of the programme

Vijaya vani kannada daily news paper, dated 30-06-2019