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Programme

Oshin High School

Topic :- DOWRY

SYSTEM



DOWRY SYSTEM

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Introduction

Dowry, everyone of us know about dowry that taking something in marriage by groom's family through bride's family for marriage is known as dowry so, in Society there are some people which supports dowry and there are some people which are against dowry some people think that taking dowry is not bad because this system is coming from their ancestors they say that taking dowry is their tradition and they follow it.

But some people stand against it because they know the problems faced by people due to dowry they also know that in our Constitution in Section 2 of Article 3 there is written that dowry taking is prohibited and in order to punishment for it a person is imprisoned for more than five years and compensation should not be less than 15.

thousand rupees or the amount of the value of dowry taken by the person so some people know about it but some don't know so in our interviews we also include this because we not only want to take their interviews but we also want to make them known about it and we want to make them aware from

This and we also want that every person should is enough know this topic that this crime is happening in front of them then they should stop if and give them also about this knowledge and make them aware that if you do this crime then you will be facing there type of punishments so that they also know about this and they stop this and they also stop this if they and they stop this and they also stop this if they see happening this so by this they will also get the knowledge about this some people will listen and. stop doing this and also aware different people about this but some people will also be like they will know the law crime punishment but they also do the crime which is a very bad side of our society.



Research Methodology

for knowing more brief and more effectively about this topic we had taken help of some people we have taken help of internet to know some information like article and we had also taken help of our teachers to know some more information about it and for making us know more and to taken us to the field work and to help us in our project work and we also made questionnaires about dowry and asked them to strangers to know more and to know about that either they or in their family faced this about that either they or in their family faced this problem and also to know their opinion on it.



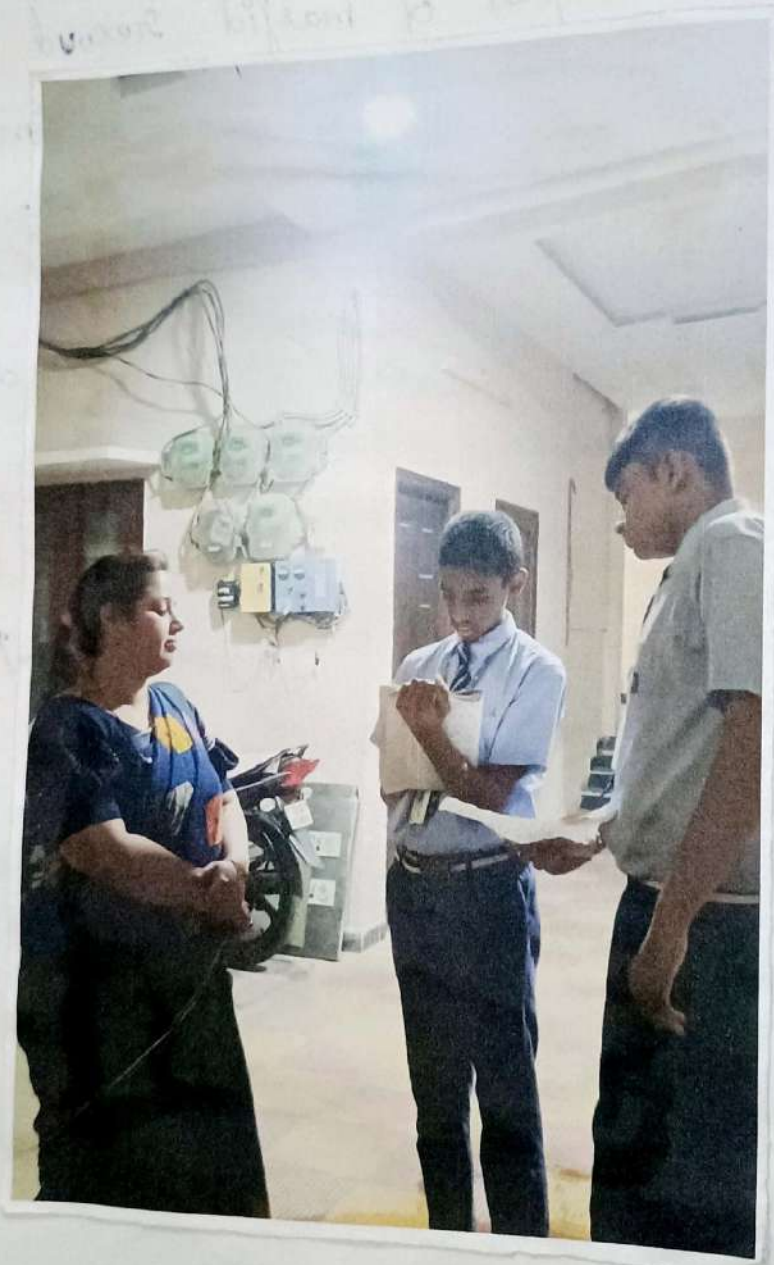
Review of Literacy :-

→ The dowry System in India has been running over long time the System of dowry started in ancient time during marriage the money will be given do the groom So that he can take proper Care of the Bride, it was used to honor both sides of the family as time changes dowry still remains in Society but its significance keeps changing with time. Now a days, the dowry System is Becoming a burden for the bride family it became as business for some Castes many times if demand is not fulfilled for the boy's side then the marriage is abruptly Cancelled as a result of this failure if we in our asian Country they dowry is Becoming more important for the groom's side. Mainly in Countries like India. to end this heinous Social evil the government has made a law to refrain people from taking dowry.

References:-

→ we got all the information about the dowry system by the internet books students and mainly by the field work we went to many slum areas, temples of masjid record and street side there we got many information about the dowry we got different-different answers from the different different people they were suffering very badly because of dowry we learn much from the CWA Sessions and the parents of our team member's parents and we also got information about dowry by retired police officers.





Interview:-

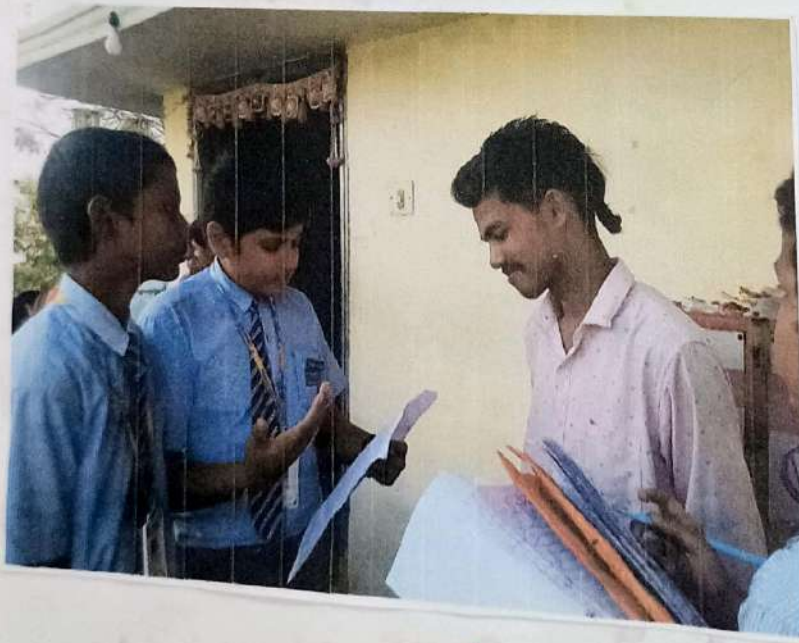
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Introduction

Case Study - 1

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Case Study - 4

CASE Study-1:-

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Name:- Sudheer

profession:- electric worker.

age:- 34

Date:- 14/12/2023

Gender:- male

Time:- 3:40 PM.

Q Do you know what is dowry what are your on dowry?

A yes, it is a crime.

Q Should taking or giving dowry be stopped?

A yes, it should be stopped.

Q Are you against the dowry system or with dowry system?

A yes I'm against dowry system.

Q Have you or your family members faced problems because of dowry?

A No, not taken or given dowry to any person.

Q Does society had evils like dowry, child labour etc should be stopped?

A yes, it has to stop.

field observation:-

⇒ In this case I observed that:-

⇒ he was not able to give dowry in her daughter marriage because one side he had taken loans and other side is constructing a building.

findings:-

⇒ In this case I find that he had many money problems from many side but then also he is forced to give dowry.

CASE study-2:-

(8)

Name:- Anuradha

profession:- House wife

age:- 55

date:- 14-2-2024

gender:- female

Time:- 3:00 pm.

Q1 Do you know what is dowry what are your opinion on dowry?

A yes.

Q2 Should taking or giving dowry should be stopped?

A yes.

Q3 Are you against or with the dowry system?

A yes.

Q4 Have your family members or you faced problem because of dowry?

A No.

Q5 Does society had evils like dowry, child labour etc should be stopped?

A yes.

field observation:-

=> In this case I observed that:-

=> she is a widow woman.

=> she cannot handle her 2 children.

=> she cannot eat properly in a day.

findings:-

=> In this case I find that:-

=> her mother is facing many problem in her daughter's family marriage because of dowry system.





CASE Study - 3:-

Name:- Mamtha Bhai

profession:- House wife.

age:- 55.

Date:- 14/2/2024.

gender:- female.

Time:- 3:10 pm.

Q) Do you know what is dowry what are your opinion on dowry?

A) Yes, Ohaj.

Q) Should taking or giving dowry should be stopped?

A) Yes, it has to be stopped.

Q) Are you against dowry system or with dowry system?

A) I'm against the dowry system.

Q) Have you or your family members faced problems because of dowry system?

A) Yes, we faced many money problems.

Q) Does society had evils like dowry, child labour etc should be stopped?

A) Yes, it has to be stopped.

field observation:-

⇒ In this case I observed that:-

⇒ She is a widow women.

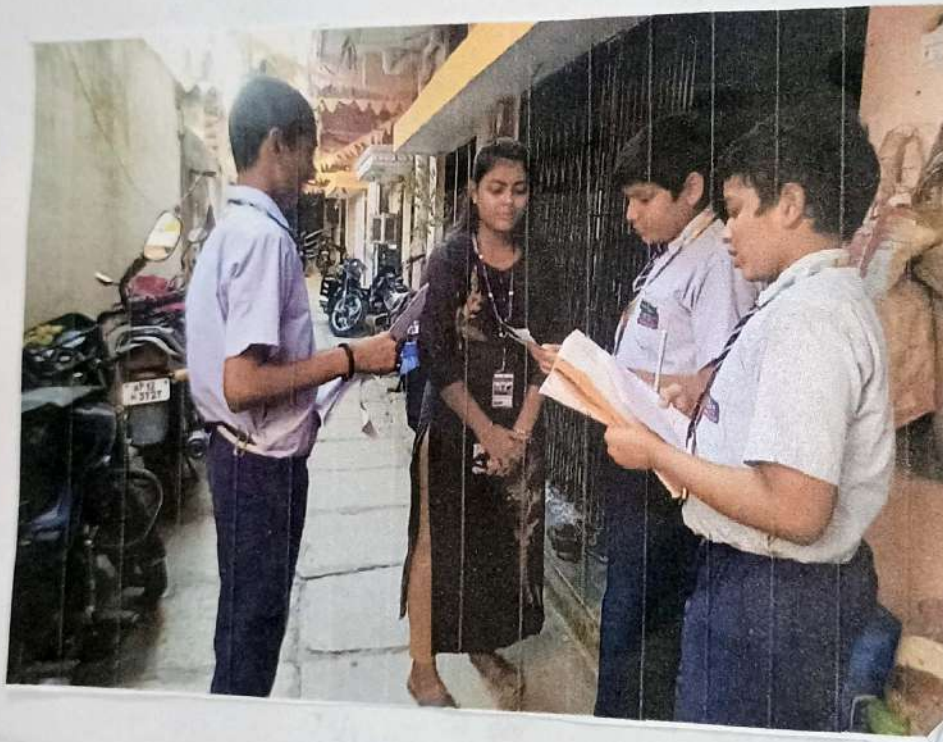
⇒ She and her son lives in a house.

findings:-

⇒ In this case I find that:-

⇒ They cannot live with her son salary

⇒ and They have to do marriage of her son by this less salary.



CASE Study - 4 :-

(10)

Name :- siedhi

profession :- student

age :- 24

Date :- 14/2/2024

gender :- female

Time :- 3:20 pm

1] Do you know dowry what are your opinion on dowry?

A] yes, we should not take dowry.

2] should taking or giving dowry should stopped?

A] yes, it should stop.

3] Are against dowry or with dowry system?

A] yes, I'm against the dowry system.

4] Have you or your family members faced problem because of dowry?

A] No, not taken or given dowry to anyone

5] Does society had evils like dowry, child labour etc should be stopped?

A] yes it should be stopped.

field observation :-

⇒ In this case I observed that.

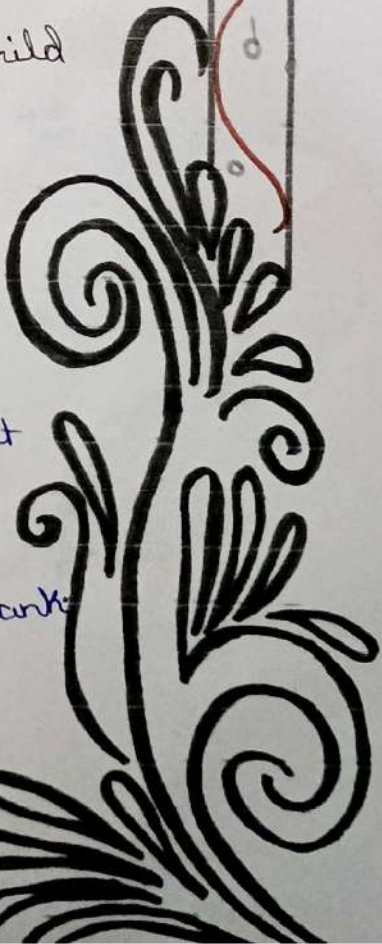
⇒ she is going to be married in two - three months.

⇒ They did not have time to give that much amount to them.

finding :-

⇒ they taking loans from the bank.

⇒ They have only one daughter to get money and father will get less pension.





CASE Study-5:-

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Name:- S. Anil Kumar

profession:- Teacher

age:- 35

Date:- 14/2/2024

gender:- male

Time:- 3:30 PM.

Q Do you know dowry what are your opinion on dowry?

A yes

Q should taking or giving dowry should stopped?

A yes, it's should be stopped.

Q Are you against dowry or with dowry system?

A I'm against with the dowry system.

Q Have you or your family members faced problems because of dowry?

A No, but if they are rich we have to give the dowry to them.

Q Does society had evils like dowry, child labour etc should be stopped?

A yes it should be stopped and should provide them free food and education.

field observation:-

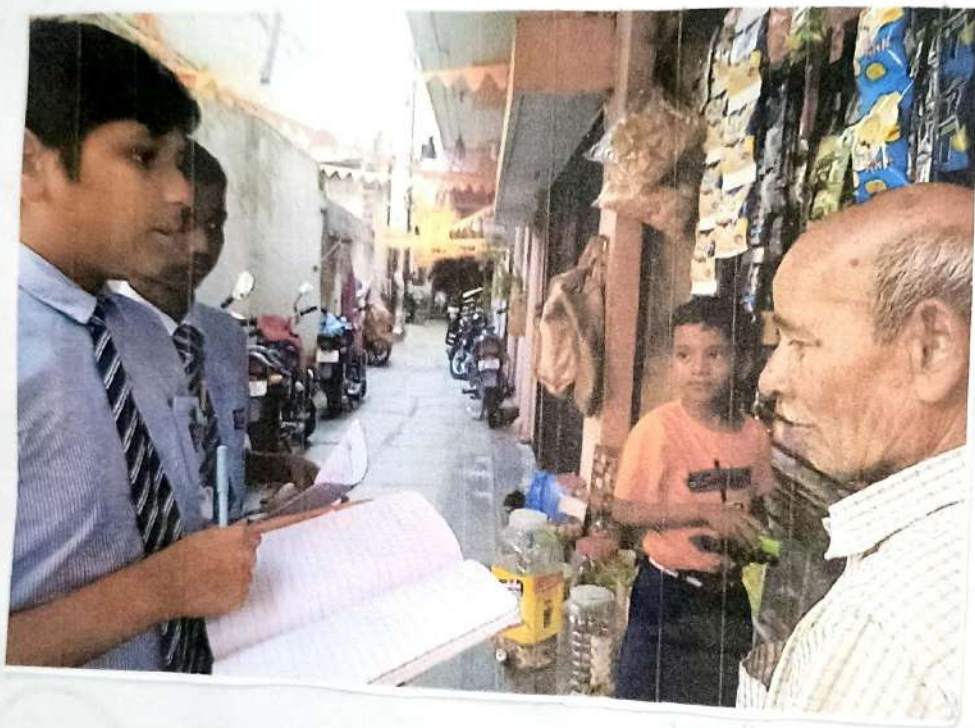
⇒ In this case I observed that:-

⇒ He had a small daughter he is collecting the money for his marriage.

findings:-

⇒ In this case I find that:-

⇒ He is collecting money from now because of his daughter marriage. He wants to give his daughter in rich family and he is telling that rich family will take all royal thing.



CASE Study - 6 :-

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Name :- B. Sunit Kumar. profession :- Teacher

age :- 85 .

Date :- 14/2/2024

gender :- male

Time :- 3:50 PM.

Q Do you know what is dowry, what are your opinion on dowry?

A yes, we should not do that.

Q Should taking or giving should stopped?

A yes, it has to be stopped.

Q Are against dowry or with dowry system?

A I'm against dowry system because people face many problems by this.

Q Have you or your family members faced problems because of dowry?

A yes, but not faced that much problems by dowry system.

Q Does society had evils like dowry, child labour etc should be stopped?

A yes, it should be stopped.

field observation :-

→ In this case I observed that.

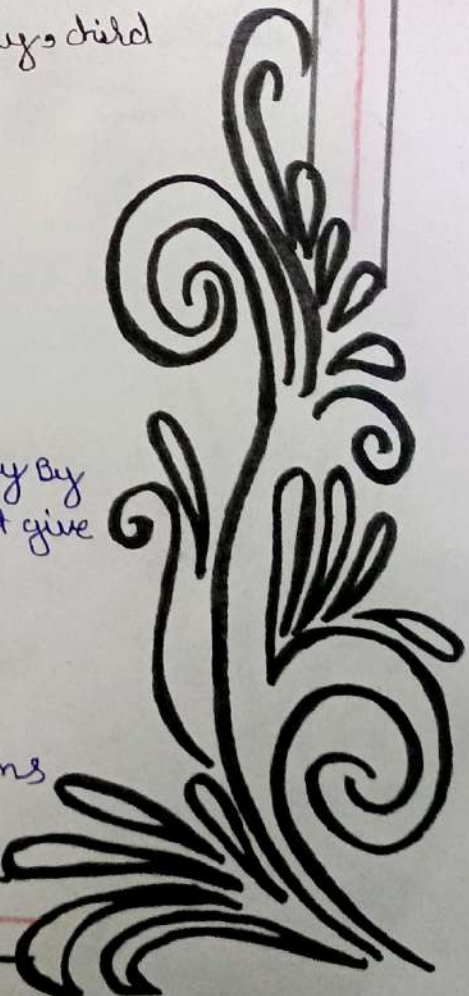
→ she is feeling very bad for her.

→ Because her parents given dowry by taking loans and now they cannot give back money.

findings :-

→ In this case I find that.

→ They were facing many problems because of dowry.



CASE Study - 7

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Name:- Babulal Sharma, profession:- retired,

age:- 68.

date:- 15/2/2024,

gender:- female.

Time:- 1:00 pm.

Q Do you know what is dowry what are your opinion on dowry system?

A Yes, it is a crime.

Q Should taking and giving dowry should stop?

A Yes, it should be stopped.

Q Are you against the dowry or with dowry system?

A I'm against the dowry system.

Q Have you or your family members faced problems Because of dowry system?

A Yes, we faced many problems.

Q Does society had evils like dowry, child labour etc should be stopped?

A Yes, it has to be stopped.

field observation:-

⇒ In this case I observed that.

⇒ He had a small shop, he had one big daughter and small son.

⇒ His daughter had come to an marriage age.

findings:-

⇒ He cannot give dowry in her daughter marriage.

⇒ His son is also is a student He has to pay the fees.





CASE Study-8:-

(14)

Name:- Sonam Sharma profession:- Housewife
age:- 32 Date:- 15/2/2024
Gender:- female Time:- 1:30 P.M.

Q Do you know dowry, what are your opinion on dowry?

A Yes, it is a very - very Biggest crime.

Q Should taking or giving dowry should stopped?

A Yes, it should be stopped.

Q Are you against dowry or with dowry system?

A Yes, I'm against the dowry system.

Q Have you or your family members faced problems because of dowry system?

A Yes, my family members faced many problems because of dowry.

Q Does society had evils like dowry, child labour etc should be stopped?

A Yes, it has to be stopped. it is mostly seen in village?

field observation:-

- ⇒ She is a house wife and her husband works in the restaurant like a servant.
- ⇒ She have many health problems.

findings:-

- ⇒ She had 2 sons but in her family members, there are facing many problems because of dowry.



CASE Study-9:-

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Name:- Shilal verma

profession:- human resources.

age:- 36

Date:- 15/2/2024

Gender:- female

Time:- 2:00 pm.

Q] Do you know dowry, what are your opinion on dowry?

A] yes, it is very wrong.

Q] Should taking or giving dowry should be stopped?

A] yes it has to be stopped.

Q] Are you against the dowry or with dowry system?

A] yes I'm against dowry system.

Q] Have you or your family members faced problems because of dowry system?

A] yes, we faced many problems because of dowry system.

Q] Does society had evils like dowry, child labour of dowry system?

A] yes, it should be stopped.

field observation:-

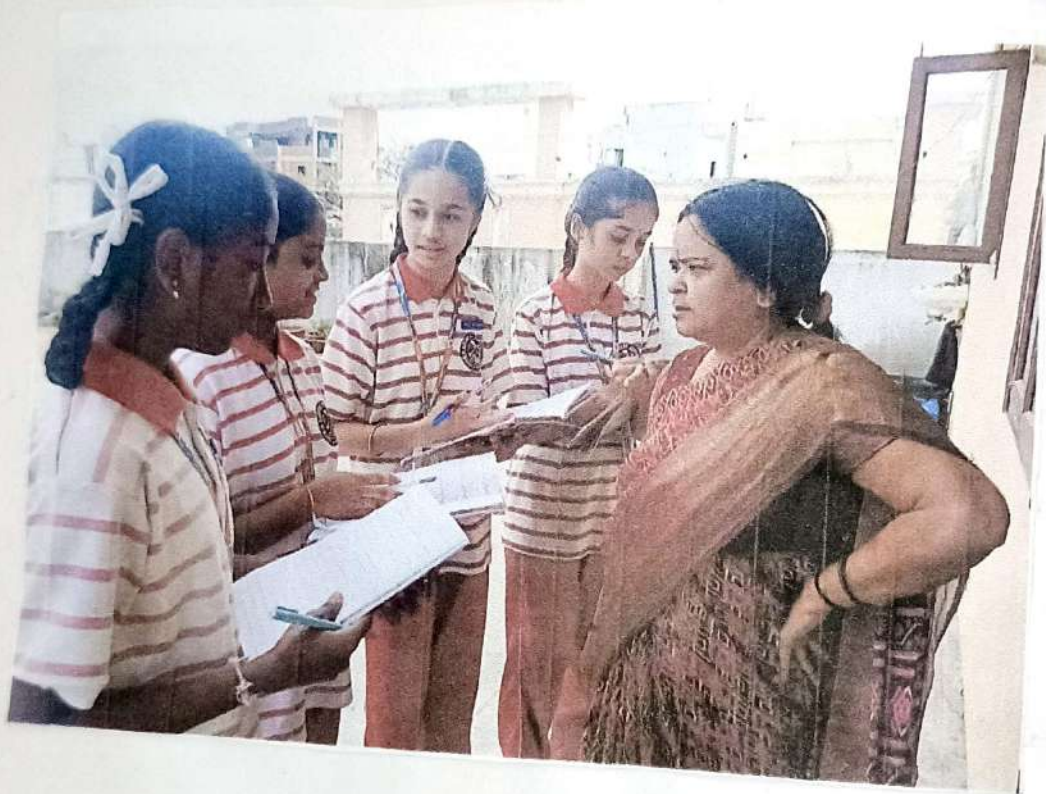
⇒ In this case I observed that:-

⇒ she have two daughter she is a human resources.

⇒ she have two more two daughter in future.

findings:-

⇒ she has so many health issues but also she collecting the money for the marriages of her daughters.



CASE Study -10:-

Name:- Babitha yadav

profession:- maid.

age:- 50

Date:- 15/2/2024

gender:- female

Time:- 2:30pm.

Q Do you know dowry, what are your opinion on dowry?

A Yes, it is a Biggest Crime.

Q Should taking or giving dowry should stopped?

A Yes, it should be stopped.

Q Are you against the dowry or with dowry system?

A I'm against and with dowry system

Q Have you or your family members faced any problems because of dowry?

A Yes we had faced many problem because of dowry system.

Q Does society had evils like dowry, child labour etc should be stopped?

A Yes it has to stop, it is mostly done in siddhys and yadav's.

field observation:-

Q In this case i observed that :-

⇒ She is a house maid, she will clean 10-15 houses every day.

⇒ his husband is a pandit in a temple.

findings:-

⇒ She is doing her son's marriage, she is not taking the dowry from the bride's family.

Recommendations for Solutions

While conducting the interviews some of the solutions which the people gave are:-

we can increase the punishment given to this crime so the person should not also think to take dowry.

we should educate a woman much that if any crime took place with her or in front of her, she should be able to stop it by taking help of law.

Some organization people said we can also make which help the people from whom dowry is taken and who demanded for dowry we can punish and also to give away the things were taken by the bride is family which through the groom's family.



Suggestions for Action

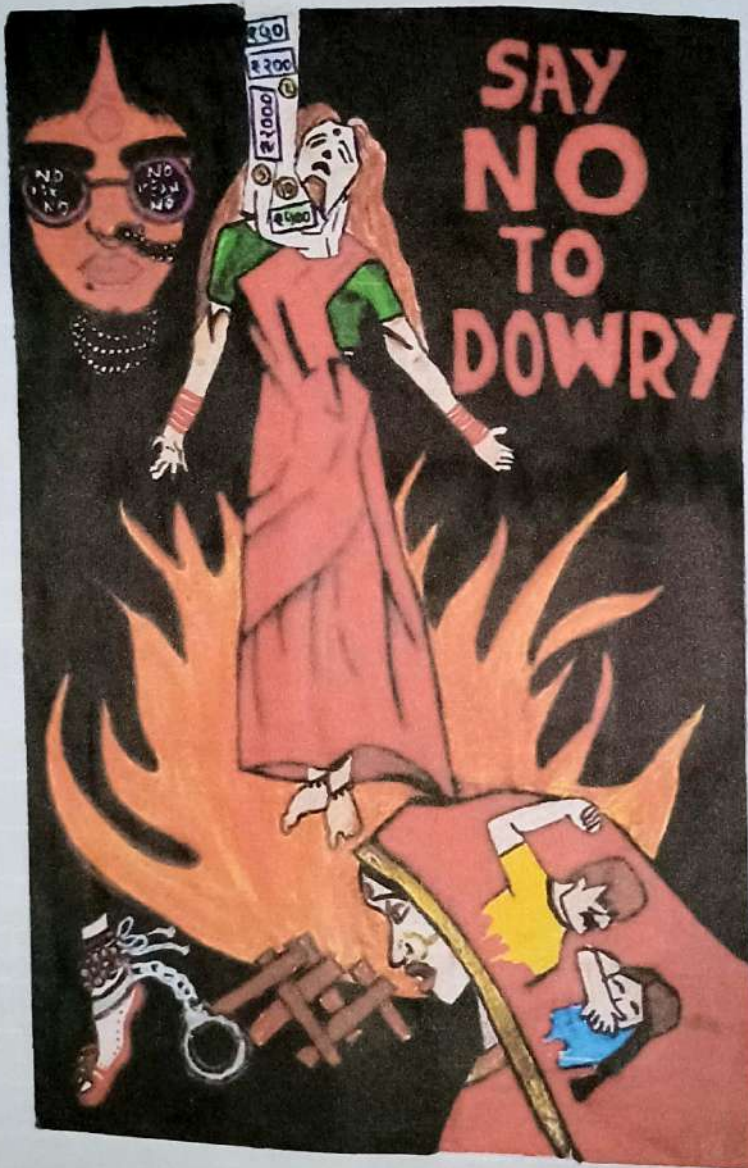
My Suggestions for action are:-

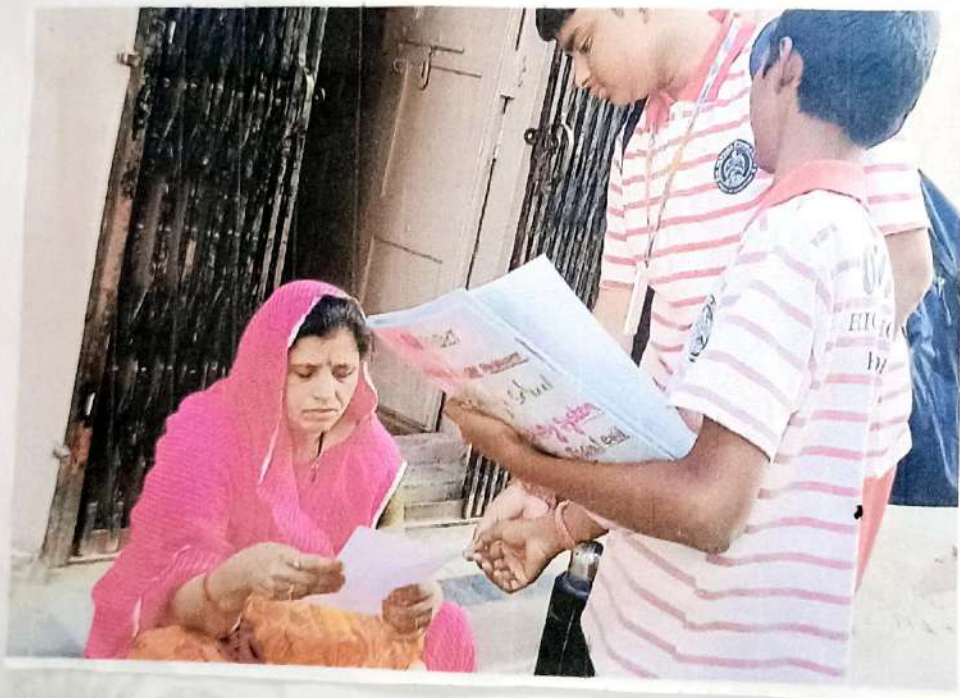
we can aware the people by doing campaigns and by putting posters this can lead to decrease taking of dowry because by this we will also stay them the punishment and the compensation through which they will be going on.

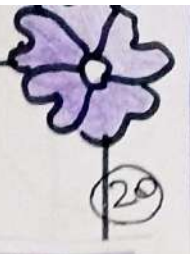
- This may make them fear and may they stop doing this crime.
- we can also do acts programmes for stopping their.
- Because if some people not stop doing this with the punishment is fear.
- Then they can be improved and not.
- Do the crime by doing their act we can also change their's heart and mind.
- Because everyone's mind set will not be same some will change with the fear of punishment but some with change by understanding sweetly.

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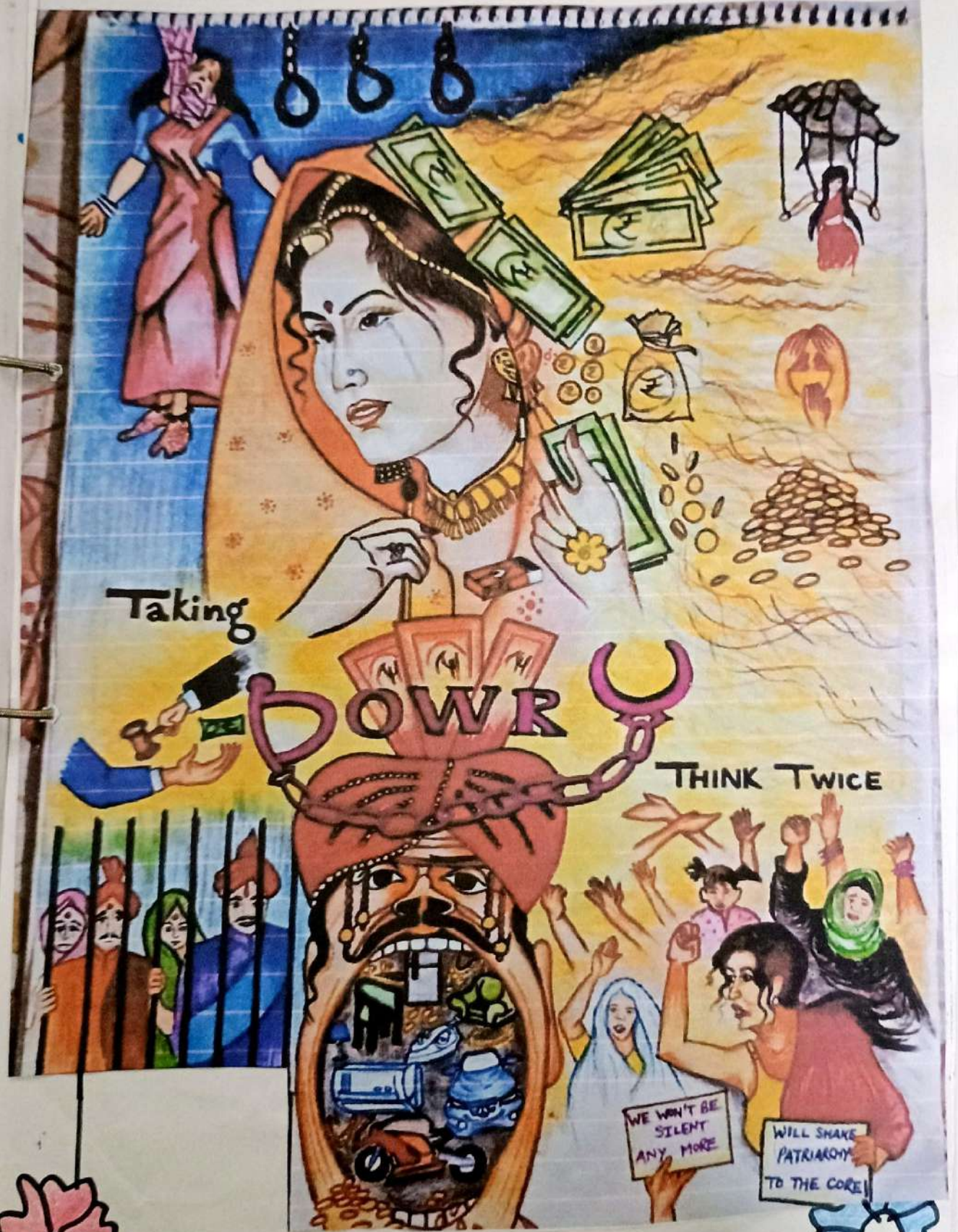


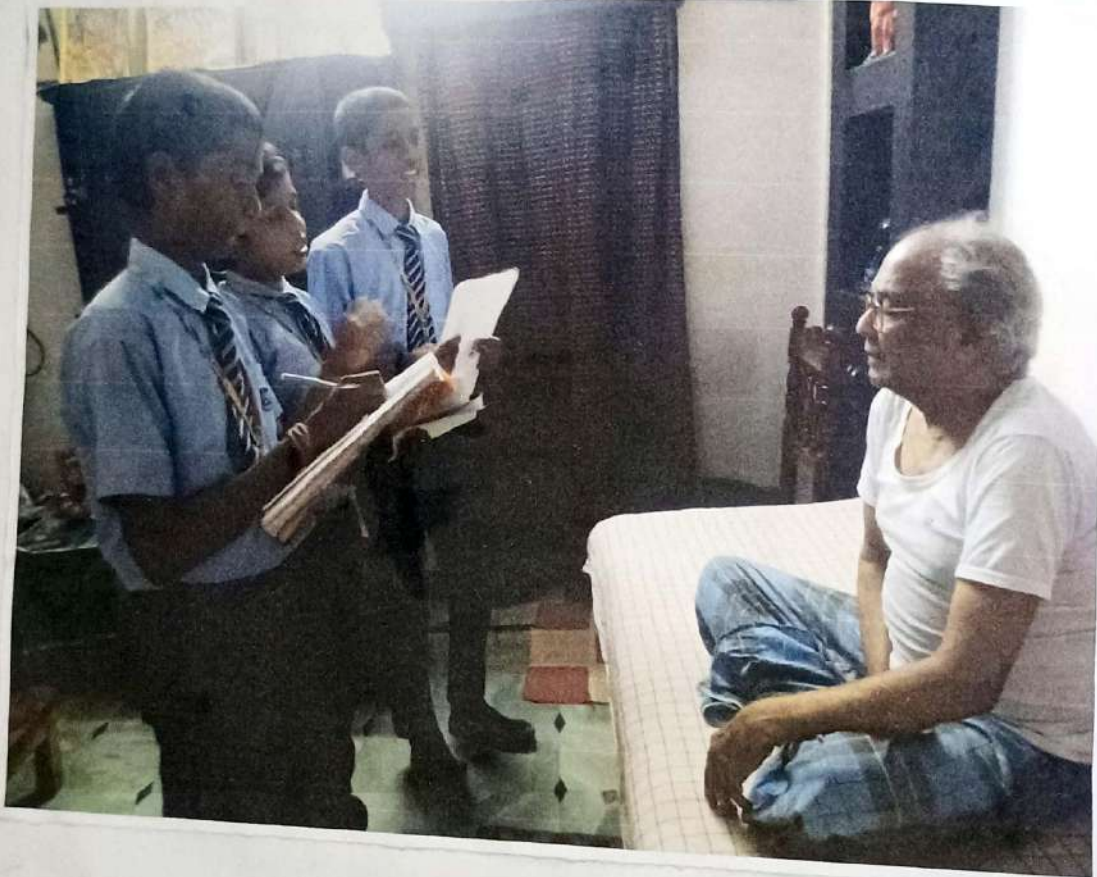




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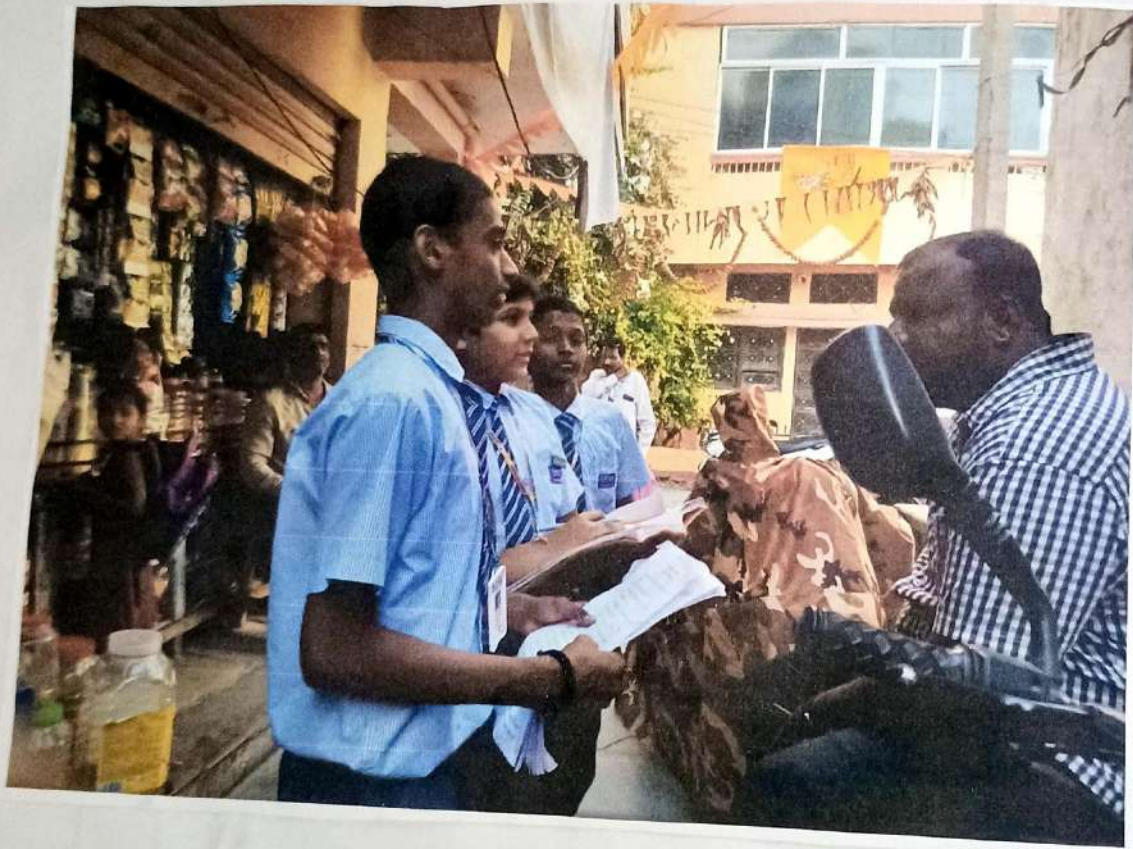






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Action Taken by Self :-

- => After doing this amazing field work on dowry system I felt very bad for the people who were suffering from the Dowry System.
- => Realized and the dowry system and paste it in my locality.
- => Then I started to give the poor student who cannot buy books for education I had taken 50 books and started to give the books for the education of them.
- => Then I and started making pamphlet and in distributed them in to the different - different - localities.



Hyderabad.
27-02-2024.

To
Imam Sahab
Masjid Hakeem Mir Wazeer Ali
Hyderabad

Subject:- Raising awareness about child labour, Dowry Eradication and care of elders.

Respected Sir,

We the students of Ashin High School Hussain Alam participated in the Compassionate Citizenship conducted by COVA. Throughout the program we have seen many sensitive social issues like caring for elders, child labour and dowry.

So we request our honourable Imam Sahab to raise awareness and educate about Eradication of dowry, Eliminating child labour and educating people about care of elders in your Friday's Qutuba and become a part of a society filled with Peace Joy and happiness. We appreciate

your response in Advance.

Thanking you

Your faithfully,
Student of oshin high
School
Hyderabad.



Hyderabad.
27-02-2024

To

The Respected Pastor
CSI Centenary Wesley Church
Ramkote
Hyderabad.

Subject:- Raising Awareness about Child Labour, Dowry eradication and Care of elders.

Respected Sir,

We the students of Oshin High School Hussaini Alam Participated in the Compassionate citizenship conducted by COVA. Throughout the program we have seen many sensitive social issues like caring for elders, child labour and dowry.

So we request our honourable Pastor to raise awareness and educate about eradication of Dowry, eliminating child labour and educating people about caring of elders in your sunday sermons & preachings and become a part of a society filled with peace joy and happiness. We appreciate your response in advance.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,
Student of Oshin High
School.
Hyderabad.



Hyderabad
27-02-2024

To
The Temple President
ISKCON
Attapur
Hyderabad

Subject:- Raising Awareness about child labour,
Dowry Eradication and care of Elders

Respected Sir,

We the Students of Oshin High School, Hussaini
Alam participated in the compassionate citizenship
conducted by COVA. Throughout the program we have seen
many sensitive social issues like caring for elders, child
labour and dowry.

So we would request our honorable to
raise awareness and educate about Eradication of Dowry
Eliminating child labour and educating people about caring
of Elders in your weekly Satsangs and pujas and
become a part of a society filled with peace and joy with
happiness we appreciate your response in advance.

Thanking you

Your faithfully
Students of Oshin
High School
Hyderabad.



Report On Representations.

By doing this project and taking interviews we were finding many different type of people having different type of mind sets. And all people were giving different type of Suggestions so writing all those suggestions was not a good thought and was not possible so we wrote the suggestions which were more effective. By this one thing we understood was everyone's suggestions were effective and also they wanted to change the society and to end the social evils. But no one was coming in front to do it. because they thought that ~~what~~ they can alone do. So, When we arrived there and meet them and understand our topic to them and said them about our supporters then they became happy and were wanting to change the society. So, they gave different type of effective suggestions because they trusted us and were thinking that this persons can change it. then we thought that these people have trust on us. so, however we have to do this. And we will give our best you it. we can go at any stage for this. Because we had seen that how much trust they have on us. it was at an external level.

Results Acheived

- The Results Acheived by us are:-
- Now we are able to give this knowledge to other which we gained from doing their project.
- from now on words we are this much eligible that it in front of us this crime is going then we can stop it in a proper manner.
- we distributed this knowledge to small children and ineresuts they were so much satisfied and now they know the problem which people faced and they may change our future.
- In normal people also the first to stop stop this is rebarned and they also were happy by seeing this and were saying is you want any help you can come anything, we will be available for doing your help.

Conclusion

→ During this field work we came to know many of the different problems of people because of the dowry system and the people are telling that the dowry should be banned and government should take strict action on it. We know that the 1961 act has brought so much change in the dowry system before when the 1961 act came there but when the dowry prohibition act came there were 26 numbers of cases were there but when the number of dowry prohibition act came then it turned into 62 numbers of cases. I came to know that the dowry is the main social evil of our society because of this social evils the Govt is spreading awareness in society to eradicate this social evil.



Key Learning

- There are so many things that I learned from the COVA programme. Some of them are:-
- Before this programme I was feared of talking to strangers but after this now I am able to talk with the stranger my fear is ended.
- Before this my writing skills speaking skills were also not good but after doing this project by skills are improved to a big extent.
- My thinking also is changed after this now I think very much about society before this I think that I am a small child so what can I do for this but now I have confidence that I can do whatever I want and what I want to improve in the society.
- I learned that how to take interviews of normal person I also know that what question should be asked and how they should be asked I also know that

we have to approach a person for taking interview
for all the Support efforts and help's i thanks COVA
and my School be cause if they were not there then
i was not be able do this work i not also
thought that i can do this thing in this age they
made me also encouraged is wherever i thought
that i cannot do it then they came and made me
understand the topic and said that you can do it
dont think you cannot do because they were having
trust on me that i can do it so thank you for
encouraging me and Supporting me.



