



# KHANDEL LIGHT UPDATE 2018

# Summary of our Purpose



# Community to Community Support



Our Community

with



26 Indian Villages



Why India ?



# Why India?

India is home to one third of the world's poorest

World Bank



# Why India?

- **18 million children** live on the streets

- **Women**

In poorest areas have no access to

**Finances**

**Land**

**Inheritance Rights**

Frequently reported:

**Domestic violence**

**Rape**

**Sexual harassment**

**Acid attacks**

**“Honour killings”**

- **33% of population** live **below the poverty line**

- **53% of children die** before their **5<sup>th</sup> birthday**

- **47% girls married** before age of **18 years**

- Although discrimination on basis of Hindu caste illegal, members of **Dalit caste remain some of the poorest in society**

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# Why India?

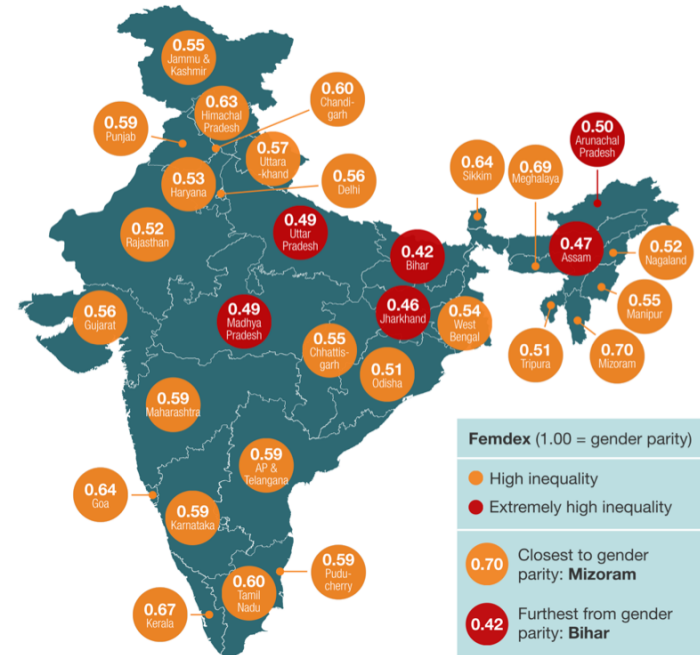
## Femdex

(McKinsey Global Institute's Female Empowerment Index)

**0.53 in Rajasthan**

(1.00 = gender parity)

McKinsey Global Institute's Female Empowerment Index (Femdex) points to where states in India stand on gender parity.<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>The India Femdex covers 10 of MGI's 15 gender-equality indicators that are available at the state level.

Source: *The power of parity: Advancing women's equality in India*, McKinsey Global Institute, November 2015

McKinsey&Company

# Why India?



**680 million** Indians cannot meet their essential needs

**~50%** public spending on basic services does not reach the people

**46%** of basic services not within reach for average household



# Why India?

India is the top source  
and destination for  
world's migrants

Pew Research Centre 3 March 2017

17 million  
Indian migrants  
worldwide

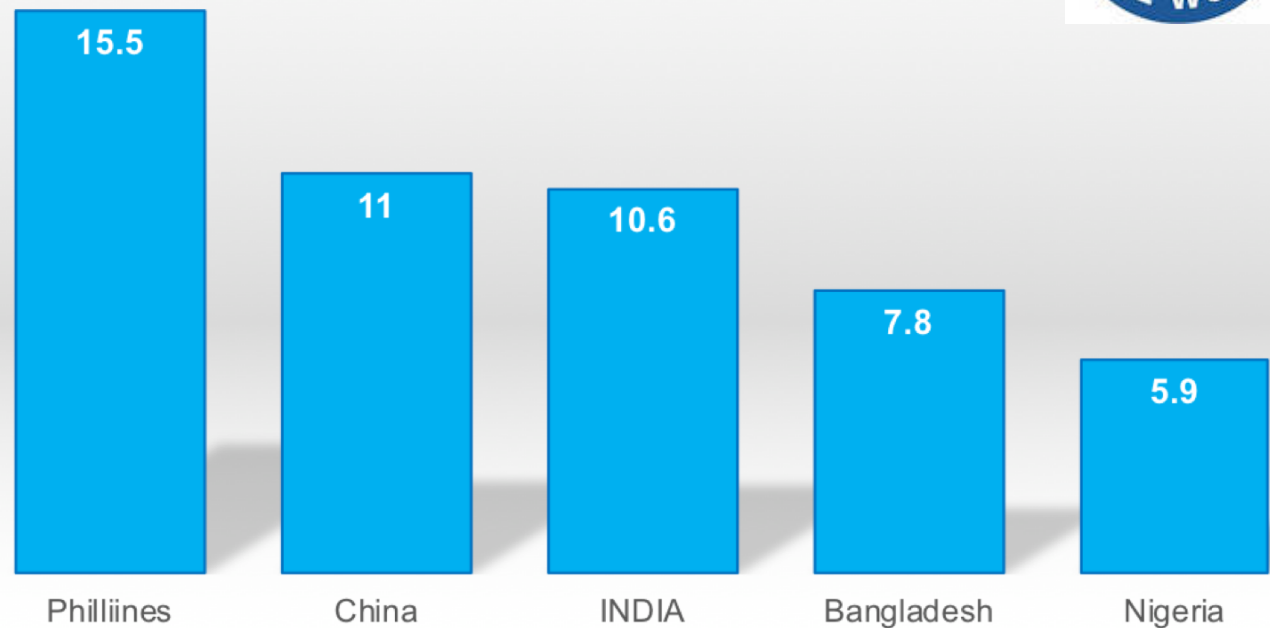
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# Why India?

## Top 5 most frequently recorded nationalities by country seen in Doctors of the World clinics in UK 2016

■ % Service Users





# INDIA-

## We work in Rajasthan



# Partnership/Empowerment



10 Volunteer Trustees



99p in every £1 goes directly to Villages



# Focus on Poverty and Human Rights



# Adopting a Capability Approach

## What people are able to do and be



Rights + ability to exercise them





Defining  
achievement in  
terms of  
**opportunities  
created**



# Abraham Maslow

1908-1970

Professor of  
Psychology in  
New York

# What we are trying to do.....?

## Help people to reach their potential or Capability

### Maslow's Hierarchy of needs

Self-actualization

morality,  
creativity,  
spontaneity,  
problem solving,  
lack of prejudice,  
acceptance of facts

Esteem

self-esteem, confidence,  
achievement, respect of others,  
respect by others

Love/belonging

friendship, family, sexual intimacy

Safety

security of: body, employment, resources,  
morality, the family, health, property

Physiological

breathing, food, water, sex, sleep, homeostasis, excretion

**Aspirations.  
Community awareness.**

Self Actualisation

**Education.  
Empowerment of Women.**

Esteem

**Medical Camps. Health Workers.  
Women's Groups. Temple visits.  
Antenatal Care. Training and awareness.  
Monthly meetings.**

Love/  
Belonging

**Employment. Toilets. Health Camps. Housing.  
Emergency Relief. Fodder for cattle.  
Prevention of migration.**

Safety

**Water Harvesting. Water Houses. Tankers.**

Physiological



# 400 tankers per month



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# Water Houses



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# Water Harvesting

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# Employment Creation



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# Toilets



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# Health Camps



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# Maternity Care



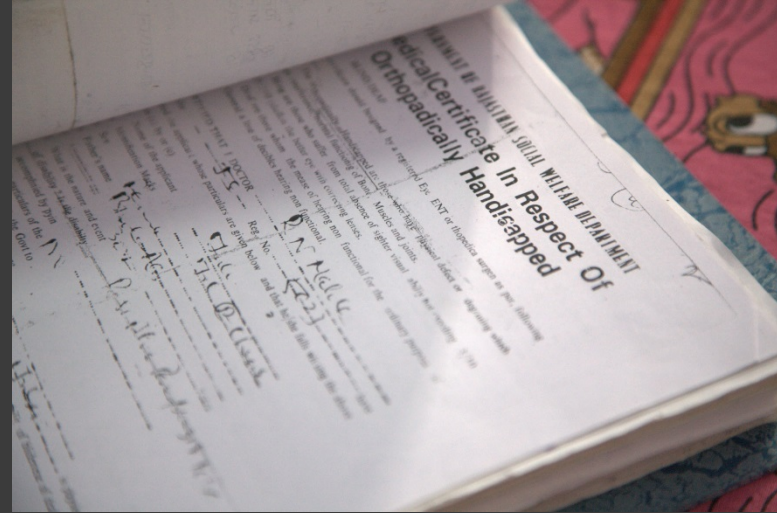
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# Brick and Stone Houses



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# Emergency Relief



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**Disabled, Orphans, Widows**



# Fodder for Cattle



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# Health Workers (Saheli)



**Health Workers. Women's Groups.  
Temple visits. Training and awareness.  
Monthly meetings. Adolescent Girls'  
Fairs**





# Monthly Meetings of Villagers

15<sup>th</sup> of the month



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# Girls not valued



- ◉ More expensive than boys
- ◉ Northern India: move away with husband's family
- ◉ Need to provide dowry
- ◉ No use in parents' old age
- ◉ Selective abortion



# India missing 63m women as parents still favour boys

India

Hugh Tomlinson Delhi

India's gender imbalance is so skewed by parents' preference for boys that the female population is about 63 million fewer than it ought to be and 21 million baby girls are unwanted by their families, officials have concluded.

Illegal abortions of female foetuses, neglect of young girls within their families, poor nutrition and shoddy education have left a shortfall in India's population of 1.3 billion, according to the government's annual economic survey.

The report urged the nation to confront its "societal preference for boys" but conceded that the phenomenon dated back thousands of years and may be irreversible.

Even India's status as an emerging economic superpower had had a mixed impact on gender equality, the survey found. Indian women broadly received a better education than in the past and had gained greater influence over decision-making within their households as the nation's wealth had grown. Yet

the proportion of women employed outside the home had slipped to 24 per cent in 2015-16 from 36 per cent a decade earlier, because rising incomes among men had enabled wives to withdraw from the workforce.

A United Nations report in 2013 uncovered a decline in India's gender balance, to 919 girls for every 1,000 boys. India has long grappled with the issue, which is blamed for many social ills, including its dismal record on sexual violence.

Pre-determining the sex of an unborn child was banned across India in 1994 to prevent the mass abortion of female foetuses. The practice remains a thriving covert business, however, and improvements in pre-natal technology have made it easier to break the law. An investigation in Delhi found dozens of clinics suspected of carrying out illegal ultrasound scans and abortions, with one hospital delivering only 285 girls for every 1,000 boys.

The economic survey made clear that millions of Indian girls who escaped abortion were born into families

that did not want them. The report said that "families where a son is born are more likely to stop having children than families where a girl is born".

Couples often keep having children until they have a son and then funnel greater resources to him than to his sisters. Studies show that girls receive less education, have poorer nutrition and get less medical help than boys.

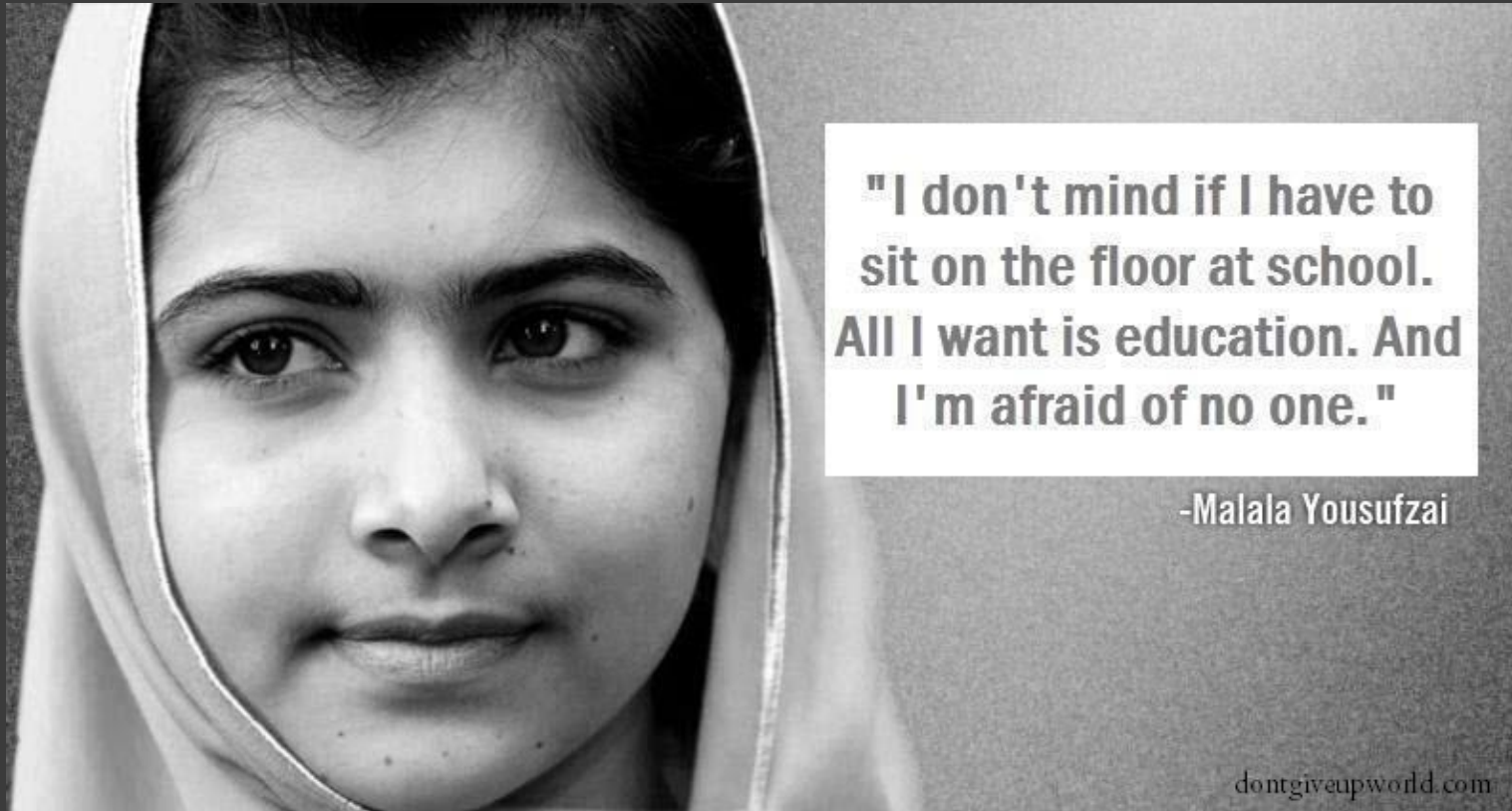
"The challenge of gender is longstanding, probably going back millennia," wrote Arvind Subramanian, chief economic adviser and the author of the report. The report noted that increasing wealth had not dented the broad preference for males, with some comparatively wealthy areas, including Delhi, faring worse over the years.

Better levels of women's development were found in the northeast of India, which the report described as "a model for the rest of the country".

Commentators noted that the region was ethnically closer to China and Burma, however, including many people who scarcely identified themselves as Indian.



# Malala Yousufzai







# Literacy



**Variable by state**

**Kerala 100%**

**Nationally:**

**75.3% men**

**53.7% women**



**3,677** women made literate through  
Khandel light programme



# Girl Child Nutrition Project



- Started April 1<sup>st</sup> 2014
- 110 Girls and mothers per year
- First 6 months for 3 months
  - 300g Flour per day
  - 100g Sugar per day
  - 100g Butter per day
- 2 child families only

# Nutrition for baby girls (often neglected)



- Sends message that girls are valued
- Emphasises importance of small families
- Better cognitive development



# Adolescent Girls' Fairs



**Aspirations.  
Community awareness.**



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# Water Update



# Water Update 2017-2018

- Drought last summer
- 200mm rain
- We had cut water budget and only supplying 350 families
- Price rise from 300 to 350 rupees per 5000 litre tanker



# Water Update 2018-18

Due to the generosity of our supporters we have:

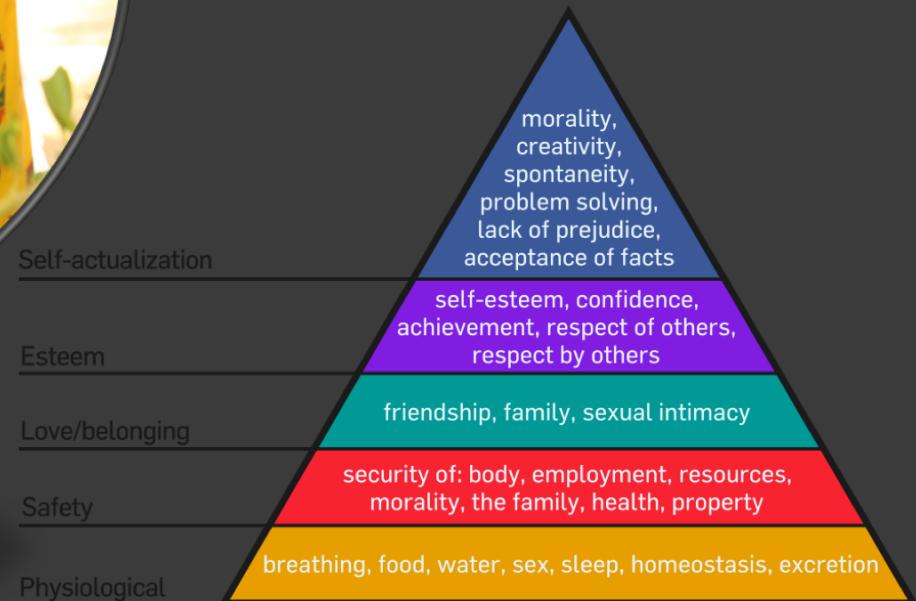


- Increased tanker supply to 400 Families
- Been able to build more Water Houses (water storage tanks)

# Water Update- Generosity of our Supporters



- Without water we could not possibly continue our projects



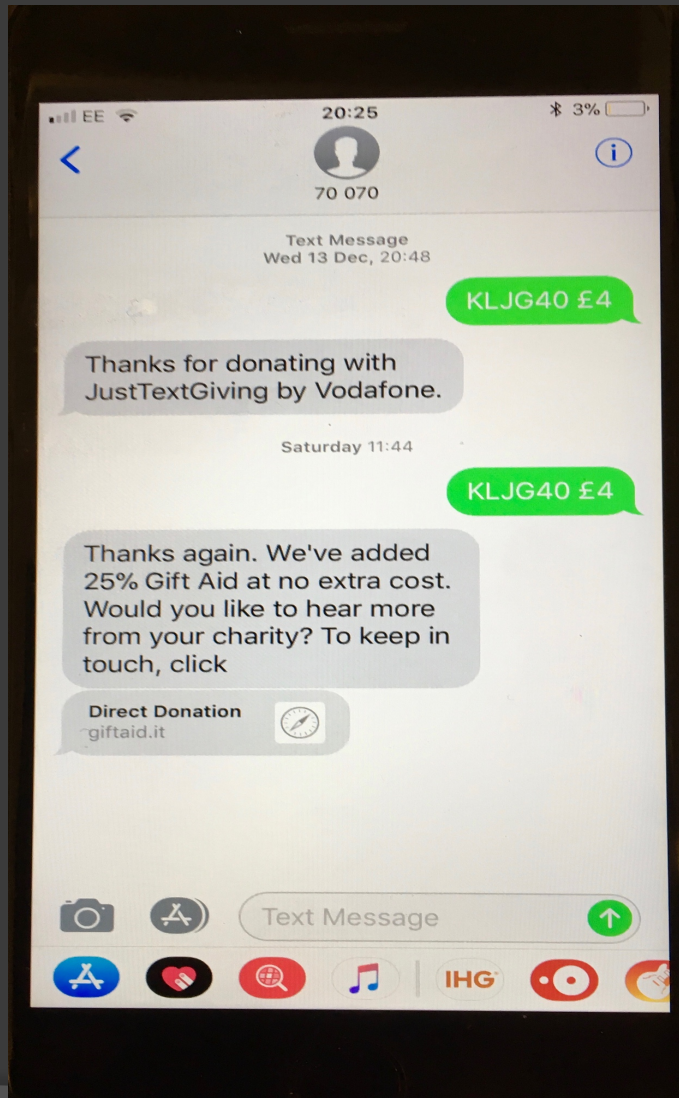




For the price of a *Primo Americano*.....

You can provide  
water for a family  
for ONE MONTH

# We're now in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century!



- Enter **70070** into “Messages” and text **KLJG40** followed by the amount you wish to donate e.g. £4

# Success Stories



## Computer Training

- Our Computer Training Certificate has enabled entry of 10 students into higher technical education
- Without computer training no access
- Also enables employment



# Success Stories

- Our Tailoring Training has enabled at least 40 women to start small business
- Increases standing in community and families
- “Make, make do and mend”



Tailoring Training

# Success Stories



- Several women have gained employment or started their own business
- Banks recognise training to secure Bank Loan

Beauty Parlour Training

# Ideas for Sustainability



# Rural Tourism for sustainability

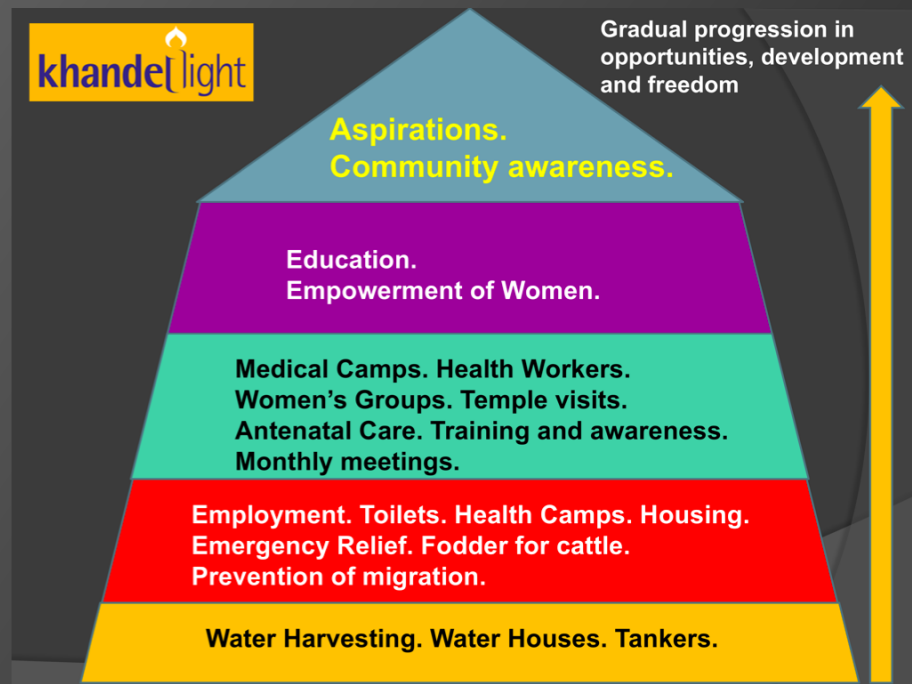
- Schools
- Gap Year Students
- Other groups
- Groups of up to 20
- Accommodation with full board
- Trips organised  
e.g. Pushkar
- Visits to project area



# A New Initiative

# A New Initiative:

Building on our pyramid





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# 14-year-old girl dies in second shocking double rape case in India

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## Girls wearing short skirts and lipstick are asking to be gang raped, Indian teacher tells her pupils

Students record her making the comments in counselling sessions

Ryan Butcher | @ryanjohnbutcher | Tuesday 30 January 2018 17:08 GMT | 48 comments



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The 2012 gang-rape of Jyoti Singh on a Delhi bus raised worldwide awareness of India's culture of rape AFP/Getty Images

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## India girl 'raped by teachers' critical after abortion

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Horrific rape cases in India have drawn protests in recent years

A teenager in India who was allegedly raped by two school staff over a three-month period is in critical condition after being forced to have an abortion.



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## Background

### Horrific gang rape shocks India as 15-year-old girl dies after suffering ruptured LIVER and LUNGS as group of men took turns mutilating her

- The lower class Dalit girl from Haryana went missing on Tuesday morning
- She was found 100km away with 19 serious injuries and signs of drowning
- Post mortem suggests at least four people were involved in her brutal gang rape

By [ALEX GREEN FOR MAILONLINE](#)

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The horrific gang rape of a 15-year-old girl has shocked India after it was revealed she suffered a ruptured liver and lungs as her aggressors took turns mutilating her.

The lower-class Dalit child from the northern Indian state of Haryana went missing on Tuesday after she left home for school.

She was found dead on Saturday with 19 serious injuries to her body - which police say indicate she was tortured.

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### Indian court rejects abortion for 10-year-old rape victim

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Campaigners say that, in many cases in India, abusers are known to the children

India's Supreme Court has refused to allow an abortion for a 10-year-old girl, allegedly raped by her uncle, on the grounds that she is too far into her pregnancy.

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### Indian rape victim, 10, gives birth by Caesarean section

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India has a grim record of sexual assaults on children, with more than 10,000 raped in 2015

A 10-year-old rape victim who was denied permission for an abortion by the Indian Supreme Court last month has given birth to a baby girl.



# Background In India.....



- A child is raped every 155 minutes
- A child under 10 raped every 13 hours
- >10,000 children raped in 2015
- 240 million women married before 18 yrs
- 53% children report sexual abuse
- 50% known to child or “persons in trust and care-givers

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## Background

- ⦿ Parents keeping girls at home if school too far away
- ⦿ 5 days of school a month missed
- ⦿ Girls want to study but parents want to arrange marriage
- ⦿ Boys frequently molesting girls

# 100 years ago this year....



“We woman suffragists have a great mission—the greatest mission the world has ever known. It is to free half the human race, and through that freedom to save the rest”

Emmeline Pankhurst



# Teenage girls are forceful agents for change



# A New Initiative: Girls' Parliament बालिका संसद





# Girls' Parliament



- ◉ 400 Girls 12-20 years
- ◉ Election Day April 2018
- ◉ Elect Parliament of 40 “MPs”
- ◉ Prime Minister
- ◉ Cabinet Appointed
- ◉ “Treasury” of £1000
- ◉ Parliament meets 2 days 6 times a year (residential)
- ◉ Full-time “Civil Servant”



# Girls' Parliament

- ◉ Support in avoiding early marriage
- ◉ Addressing danger of assault and bullying by boys
- ◉ Educating boys?
- ◉ Improve health
- ◉ Empowerment
- ◉ Self-confidence
- ◉ Positive Future
- ◉ Freedom to choose



# Thank you for all your support!



Gradual progression in  
opportunities, development  
and freedom

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