

## Minutes of the half day awareness program on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019 about Protection of women from Domestic Violence.

On 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019 A half day awareness program on Protection of woman from Domestic Violence was held which was organized by Human Rights Law Network with collaboration of a NGO “Pratyush.”

Programme date : 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

Programme place: “Pratyush” a Centre for Down trodden Children and Women ,situated at Ghola kazipara,Barasat ,Kolkata :700124,North 24 Parganas.

Programme Time: 5 P.M to 8:30 P.M

- ❖ **Shree Anirudhha Chakraborty** : He is one of the member of Pratyush . Sir started the session and introduced us with the members who were present that day. He told about the working nature of Human Rights Law Network to the members and also said about the definition of domestic violence. Sir took his session from 5 P.M to 6.15 P.M.
- ❖ **Soumitra Karmakar(Chakraborty)** :She is an advocate from HRLN Kolkata unit she took her session from 6.15 P.M. to 6.45 P.M. Soumitra told about the daily social life of a woman and the different types in form of the Domestic Violence upon a woman as per Indian social and legal concepts. She told about the violence created for money need purposes. She told that when a working woman got her salary but her husband took her salary forcefully without any consent of that woman then it is called one type of violence. She pointed out another type of violence which is also called “ Marital Rape “.when a husband forcefully has sex with his wife against her

will. Sexual independence is very important and her body and sexuality cannot be taken for granted. She cannot be treated like a property of a man. She also told that if a woman need to continue her education but the husband and in laws obstructed her from this then it is also may called a type of domestic violence.

- ❖ **Ankan Biswas** : He is Transgender male and an Advocate of Barasat District Court: he took her session from 6.45 P.M. to 7.30 P.M. He spoke about the way that how to get protection from the concerned law authorities and the courts. He told that at first all woman have to realized itself that she is in violence or any kind of violence being upon her then she must go to the local Government Hospital and making a Medical Certificate about the details of the violence. After that she will be contact with an Advocate who will guide her in a proper way. He told briefly the procedure of the case being filed and the procedure of the court after filing the case. He suggested that if anyone faces in this situation then it is the best option to file a case under Domestic Violence Act. This act is very helpful for the victims. They will give compensation,shelter and police protection under this act and they will also give medical benefits. The judge has power to punish the accused person under this act. This is a very short proceeding. The order will be passed within a short period. This is very important and helpful Act to stop violence upon woman. He interacted with the mothers in the group and asked them many types of questions related to violence.
  
- ❖ **Shovit Betal** : He was an Intern of Human Rights Law Network. He took his session from 7.30P.M to 8P.M. The topic assigned to him was miscellaneous provisions as per laws on Domestic Violence. The main point on which he laid emphasis was the remedies available under laws of domestic violence. He explained as to what are the kinds of remedies available i.e. protection order, maintenance order ,residence order, and compensations in certain cases.. He also talked about the kinds of abuses one is subjected to and

whether such abuses fell within the purview of the term “domestic violence”

- ❖ Outcome- The meeting was very informative for all the women especially when they came to know about marital rape and they went on to inform us that there is a need to have regular follow up with such people on a regular basis.





