

HUMAN TRAFFICKING



WHAT IS TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS?

United Nations Convention on Transnational Organized Crime (UNTOC) defines Trafficking in Persons as the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of persons, by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, of abduction, of fraud, of deception, of the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability or of the giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person, for the purpose of exploitation.

WHY ARE PEOPLE TRAFFICKED?

Children, women and men are trafficked for a wide range of reasons including:

- Sexual exploitation
- Domestic servitude
- Forced labour including in the agricultural, construction, food processing, hospitality industries and in factories
- Criminal activity including cannabis cultivation, street crime, forced begging and benefit fraud
- Organ harvesting

HUMAN TRAFFICKING LAW IN PAKISTAN:

The Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Act 2018 defines human trafficking as below:

“Any person who recruits, harbours, transports, provides or obtains another person, or attempts to do so, for compelled labour or commercial sex acts through the use of force, fraud or coercion, commits an offence of trafficking in persons”

WHAT ARE THE TYPES OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

Internal Human Trafficking: It is trafficking in human beings happening within the borders of a country and international border crossing is not involved. Mainly dealt by Provincial or Federal Police.

External Human Trafficking: It is the trafficking in human beings that involves crossing of international borders. It is mainly dealt by the Federal Investigation Agency.

| FACTORS | PREVENTION |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Unemployment■ Poverty■ Absence of social safety■ Low risk, high profit■ Lured by false promises of financial gains■ False promises of employment overseas | <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Educate yourself■ Spread the word■ Be vary of your surroundings■ Do not trust a stranger■ Do not give your passport to a stranger |

PUNISHMENTS

- Trafficking in Persons: Upto 7 Years of imprisonment and/or fine upto Rs. One million
- Trafficking of women and children: Upto 10 years and/or fine upto Rs. One million
- Aggravated circumstances: Minimum 3 years upto 14 years with fine upto Rs. Two million
- Abatement and criminal conspiracy: Life Imprisonment or minimum 2 years of rigorous imprisonment
- Recruits, harbors, transports or obtains another person or attempts: Upto 7 Years of imprisonment and/or fine upto Rs. One million
- Knowingly employing a victim of human trafficking: 7 Years of imprisonment and fine
- Confiscating personal legal document: Upto 7 Years of imprisonment

WHAT CAN I DO?

For Any Internal Human Trafficking Related Issue, Please Contact
Your Local Police Station and Report on

EMERGENCY NUMBER: 15

For Any External Human Trafficking Related Issue, Please Contact
The Federal Investigation Agency on Details Given Below
Address: FIA Head Quarters, G-9/4, Islamabad, Pakistan

UAN 24/7 Helpline Number

(051) 111 345 786

Email: htms@fia.gov.pk



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