



National Training on Empowerment of Women in Devdasi System of Rural India

(Sept 20-24, 2021)

Venue: National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Hyderabad

Need

The devadasi system continues to exist because of the deep socially embedded ritual of marriage to God (Levine 1994). With the advent of the Karnataka legislation act 1982 to ban 'Devadasis prohibition of dedication', the devadasis moderately lost their position of socio-religious status in the society. In the majority of the villages the devadasis are not allowed to participate in auspicious ceremonies. The discrimination, social exclusion, the stigma of temple prostitutes and the attitude of the community have forced current devadasis in Karnataka state (India) not to engage in alternate profession (O'Neil 2004). The majority of the devadasis in Karnataka state (India) continue to live in their native villages, where they are degraded by low socio-economic, low caste (untouchables) status coupled with the profession they are in and typically the devadasis usually live separately within larger village communities (Orchard 2007). Henceforth, there is a need to review and sensitize the CSOs regarding the plight of women in devdasi system. In the wake of the above scenario, NIRDPR proposes to conduct an Online Training on Empowerment of Women in Devdasi System of Rural India

Objectives

- To know about the role of women participation in the panchayats and to make use of the available welfare schemes for Women in Devdasi System.

- To generate awareness about the Government schemes for Devadasi women rehabilitation and land rights
- To sensitize about the Legal/ Laws protection for victims of the devadasi System

Targeted Participants

SIRD Faculty, Officials from Ministries of Social Justice, Women and Child Development, Rural Development, Human Resource Development, Local Self Government, Functionaries of Social Welfare Department, Implementing Agencies and executives from NGOs, and Senior Personnel from training and research organizations engaged in developmental activities for women development.

About the program

- This is an ONLINE training.
- Language for Training will be English.
- There is no course fee for the participants.
- Duration: 5-Days 10:00 am to 1:00 pm
- Last date of receiving registration: **17 September, 2021**

Training Link for TMP Registration:
<https://cutt.ly/KWqOMgS>

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