

One-Day Interactive Session on Trafficking in Persons (ON 30 JANUARY 2023)



Background Context

The Sustainable Social Development Organization (SSDO) is working on capacity enhancement and coordination building of relevant stakeholders to combat trafficking in persons (TIP) in Pakistan for effective implementation of a legal framework to curb human trafficking and bonded labor in the country. In this background, SSDO is desirous of organizing an interactive session with judicial officers of the District Judicial of Sindh on a new legal framework (Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Act, 2018) with more emphasis on effective and speedy prosecution of TIP cases. These sessions will also focus on the support needed by the judiciary and prosecution department from all other stakeholders who are not part of the implementation of the Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Act, 2018.

Brief Introduction to Training

❖ In the context above, the SSDO requested to Sindh Judicial Academy to arrange a "One-Day Interactive Session on Trafficking in Persons" on 30 January 2023 at Sindh Judicial Academy. In this interactive/practical session, 20 Civil Judges and judicial Magistrates attended.

Salient Proceedings

❖ In the Inaugural Session, **Syed Kausar Abbas** (Executive Director, SSDO) conducted the following activities:

- Registration and attendance of participants
- Recitation of the Holy Quran

- General instruction for training
- Introduction of SSDO and TIP Law

❖ The Opening Remarks were passed by **Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq** (District & Sessions Judge/Senior Faculty Member, Sindh Judicial Academy).

❖ A Discussion was held by **Mr. Iqbal Ahmed Detho** (Consultant Member, HNRC) and **Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq** (DSJ/SFM, SJA) on the following topics by way of PowerPoint Presentation:

- Trafficking in Persons
- National Legislation
- Introduction of the Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Act, 2018, and the Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Rules, 2020.

❖ At the end, a question/answer session was conducted by **Mr. Iqbal Ahmed Detho** (Consultant Member, HNRC) and **Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq** (DSJ/SFM, SJA) on the following topics:

- Issues
- Challenges
- Way forward

Conclusion

❖ In the concluding session, the participants were awarded certificates.





