



ONDEDE
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INTRODUCTION

Ondede is a Kannada word for convergence. By recognizing and acknowledging existing movements, Ondede endeavors to link these different, but interrelated groups to various media platforms to foster productive community discourses, conduct research, and instigate action on dignity-voice-sexuality, and most crucially from the perspective of sexual

minorities and transgender community. We envision a society that provides access in a non-discriminatory and gender-just way. We have also been working towards establishing linkages between different social movements, to increase evidence based advocacy in policy

and to practice and provide a platform for people and movements to come together.

CONCEPT BACKGROUND

Sexual minorities are usually termed as lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgender persons etc. Their sexual orientation, gender identity, practices and even family/institutional support structure are distinctly different from the majority of the society. It is only in the recent decade that the sexual minority and the transgender community have come to the fore front of the society as marginalized and discriminated groups based on their gender, sexuality and identity. The need of the hour, we believe, is to understand and ensure a just, equitable and a more inclusive society, for these groups often have to face and deal with unsympathetic families, patriarchal and prejudiced society, disgruntled spouses or lovers who turn hostile or become extortionists.

Violence faced by these communities is often invisible or under reported in mainstream media. Further, an insensitive criminal justice system and a pre-colonial provision of Section 377 of the India Penal Code make reporting even more difficult.

ACTION PLAN AND METHODOLOGY

In this context, Ondede has taken a small initiative to understand sexual violence, domestic violence, sexuality rights and transgender rights from the perspectives and experiences of these communities by documenting the stories of gays, lesbians, bisexuals, Jogappas, transgender persons, gender non-confirming, intersex etc from across the State of Karnataka. Perspectives on these four themes will also be gathered from different stakeholders like the police departments, NGOs working with sexual minorities and women, government departments, State Human Rights Commission, hospitals etc.

The methodology used will draw upon the tools of feminist participatory research and seek to foreground personal testimonies while drawing out the larger context for the stories.

PURPOSE

As an Organization working with the grass root communities, these case studies will help us in understanding and voicing the struggles of individuals from the sexual minority and the transgender community. It will also help us to analyse the current legal frame work by demonstrating the stark realities of harassment, abuse and violence that has become a part of their day-to-day existence and need to be included in the wider discourse on sexual and domestic violence as also on human rights and dignity. These case studies can also be used in the growing body of knowledge on these marginalized and invisible communities that could inform on-going activism and advocacy, even while developing a more informed and sensitive analytical framework for understanding the lives and realities of sexual minority and transgender communities.

Ondede Logo meaning

The letter O in the logo represents “convergence”, and the little twirl moving out to say something new will emerge...

Vision

Ondede envisions a society that provides access is non-discriminatory and gender-just.

Mission

To create a space for dialogue and support and strengthen action to visibilize issues of Dignity-Voice- Sexuality in relation to children, women and sexual minorities

Objectives

- To establish linkages between different social movements in three interconnected areas
- To provide platform for people and movements to come together to interact and dialogue
- To increase evidence based advocacy in policy and practice and creation of a knowledge hub

Approach

- Partnerships with community based organizations, social movements and other individuals
 - by building contacts, linkages and solidarities
- Engagement with the state and other actors
- Amplifying voices through use of community media
- Conduct research, documentation and campaigns

January 2019

Karnataka Yuva Dhwani

At Karnataka Yuva Dhwani planning meeting for launch of KYD.



Followed to the above meeting the Karnataka Yuva Dhwani was launched in January 2019 in Bangalore at SCM House



To Understand Inter movement dialogue on class caste gender and backward communities to build convergence for support and Solidarity. Various groups from different sectors came together to converge on gender and sexuality! And Followed by Karnataka Yuva Dhwani launch



Following the above program the team and the groups decided to take the second level of the conversation because it was a vast subject to discuss in detail in the context of convergence and a basic understanding on the subject a report has been generated and disseminated to the groups who participated in the program.

February 2019

Karnataka State Legal Services Authority

Meeting with the member Secretary of Karnataka State Legal Services Authority requesting to hold seminar on Section 377 verdict of the apex constitution bench, implementation of Karnataka Transgender Policy 2017 and NALSA judgment.



Following this, ondede submitted a memorandum to the member Secretary of Karnataka State Legal Services Authority on implementation of the above issues and

also to organize the awareness session on Section 377 among state and district and Karnataka transgender Policy execution.

With member Secretary Of Karnataka State Legal Services Authority on follow up visit for implementation of state policy submission of the Memorandum on February 2019



Out Come:

Karnataka State Legal Services Authority initiated to give Job opportunity to work in Karnataka State Legal Services Authority department

Ondede Referred One TG community to get appointment

Student Visit from Mount Carmel college to Ondede to understand the work culture of Ondede and also orientation on the transgender rights.



Follow up meeting with Zone BBMP on allotted budget



In Calicut at Indian Association for Women and National Law School of India University on women and sexual minorities! #Ondede's presence on convergence!



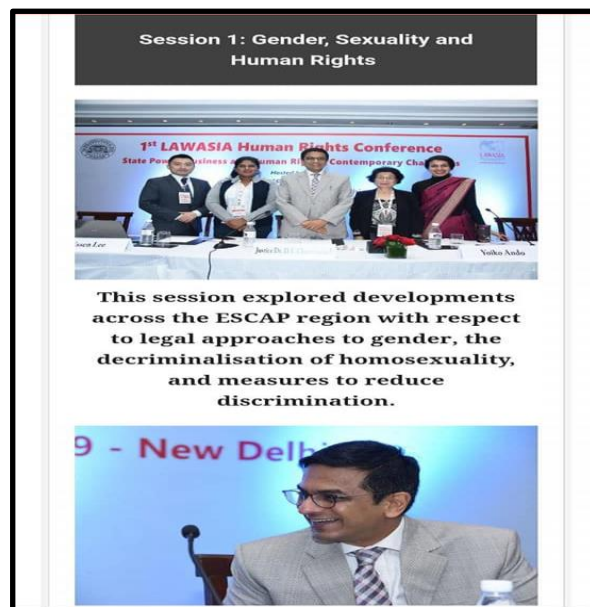
In today's protest for Right to Housing! Women's Voice organized and Ondede supported! @ townhall



Sexual Harassment and Right to Property policy discussion with the member and member Secretary of National Commission for Women, State Commission for Women @ National Law School bangalore in bringing Transgender and Sexual Minorities aspect of it to include under its internal law through larger discourse with the movement ! #Ondede's convergence!



The Bar Association of India is privileged to host the inaugural LAWASIA Human Rights Conference on 9th and 10th February, 2019 at the Hyatt Regency, New Delhi. LAWASIA is a regional association of lawyers, judges, jurists and legal organizations, which advocates interests and concerns of the legal profession in the Asia Pacific. The Conference will focus on topics ranging from “Gender, Sexuality and Human Rights” to “Climate Change, Water Conflicts and Human Rights” from ondede SanaSuman was part of the program who brought the transgender perspective on the challenges and development after Section 377 verdict.



A Consultation on TRANSFORMATIVE FINANCING FOR GENDER EQUALITY from ondede Amulya was part of the event to present the Gender budgeting among the transgender view.



A Visit on Convergence Building and Community Leadership in Karnataka Raichur and Bellary District

Ondede Mobilizing civil society movements in Karnataka districts in Raichur and Bellary to build consensus and solidarity and gaining support to fight the social exclusion of the community. This will focus specifically on the issues of sexual violence, domestic violence, sexuality rights, and transgender rights by building Convergence Building and Community Leadership in Karnataka District The organization will build a large network that will take these issues forward on every social and governmental stage.

Ondede @ Bellary and Raichur in getting community members from diverse identities and DC, election commission , women and child development, dalit movement leaders to discuss challenges in implementing state policy and judgements. Leaders and activism need much more support from society. Heartfelt thanks to Ardhanareeshwara and Aptamithra organization and its team for team work!



March 2019

Ondede @ dharwad march on international women's day with Okoota



#Ondede@ MountCarmel women's college on human rights of transgender and Sexual Minorities. Thank you CARE for inviting us.



Ondede @ international women's day organized by women's voice.



I.Awareness and education in the Communities in the districts of Karnataka

Family acceptance process through dialogue Apthamitra and Ondede in Raichur- April 2019



Understanding the deep rooted inhibitions and non acceptance of sexual orientation of persons in the families, Ondade in collaboration with Apthamitra, local civil society group (?) engaged the families in dialogue and convinced them about the human emotional relations transcending the societal constructs.

II.Awareness and dialogue with the youth, institutions and public

1. Dialogue on SRS process in M.S. Ramaiah hospital: 4th April 2019



Ondede organized the SRS complete process with support of M.S. Ramaiah Hospital 4th April 2019.

1. Awareness program on Transgender and Sexual minorities for students at Canadian International School, Bangalore: 10th April 2019



Ondade had a great opportunity in organizing an awareness program on transgender and sexual minorities for students at elite Canadian International School, Bangalore on 10th April 2019. The officials from the Embassy of Canada were also present in the session.

1. Legal awareness on transgender and sexual minorities for lawyers in Raichur: 16th April 2019



1. Exploring employment opportunities for Transgender community in Quickr Company, Bangalore 18th April 2019



Ondade held a meeting with Quickr Company based in Bangalore to discuss employment opportunities for transgender community on 18th April 2019

April 4 EXCLUDED for Report

* Campaigning invite for Reclaiming our republic – a womans initiative



April 3rd

Ondede supporting Samarthya organization of Hubli with local supporters on what?
Date



Discussion on Civil society Manifesto: 10th April 2019



Ondede and several civil society groups gathered to discuss the need for inclusion of voices of marginalized sections in coming assembly elections and prepared 'Civil society Manifesto' and released it to the notice of lawmakers and the public by freedom fighter Doreswamy.

Workshop on prevention of sexual harassment and organisational staff policy in collaboration with Indian Social Institute: 10th April 2019



Indian Social Institute and Ondede organized a workshop to discuss about the prevention of sexual harassment and organisational staff policy for the staff and community representatives and presented a draft policy to be adopted within the organizations.

Exposure visit of Aangan group to Ondede: 15th April 2019

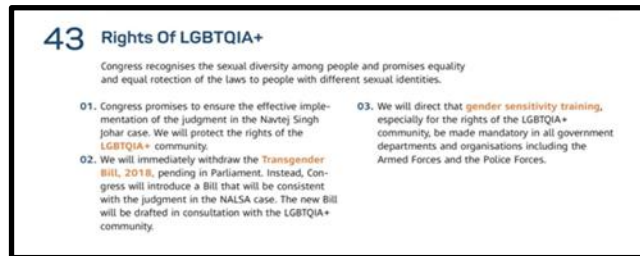


Aangan feminist group visited Ondede to learn more about their community. The interaction enabled Aangan group to delve into the insights of lives and struggles of the community.

Dialogue with lawmakers

1 Rights of LGBT in political Manifesto: 2 April 2019

All India Congress Committee manifesto 2019 on Transgender and Sexual minorities



Ondade with civil society groups was successful in influencing the political parties to include the rights of LGBT in their election manifestos.

2. Union cabinet approves of transgender rights bill: 11th July 2019

Ondede has been in the forefront along with other LGBT groups in the campaign for the rights of transgender and succeeded in the Union cabinet approval of Transgender Rights Bill

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July 23rd EXCLUDED for Report

Citizens for Bangalore organised Corporator No 1 felicitation program. Conferring women Mayor Ms Gangambika with former Lokayukta Chairperson Mr Santosh Hegde and leader of the opposition Mr Reddy. Appreciate servants of the common citizens !



September 19th EXCLUDED for Report
 ONDEDE strongly condemns Deputy Chief Minister, MLA, BJP Senior leader
 Eshwarappa's statement which undermines most vulnerable community identity and
 the muslim religious minorities. This statement and his immoral thinking is against the
 supreme court NALSA judgment ! Dismiss him from his position being a minister and
 urge to recorrect and apologize to the vulnerable communities

'ಹಿಂಜಡಾಗಳಾದ ಕೆಲ ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ ನಾಯಕರು'
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November 4th EXCLUDED
 Ondede @ series of events Met ex Chief minister Siddaramaiah, Actress Bhavana, Ex
 CM media secretary



V. Ondede in Media

In Media:



31st July 2019

<https://youtu.be/18474p7PxIw>- video in youtube

4th November 2019



Ondade participated in the dialogues “we the women”, a series of vents by Bhakha Dutt

Participation in Maja Bharatha programme: 19th December 2019



Ondede had an opportunity to participate in a mainstream media program called Maja Bharatha to break stereotypes to accept dignity from transgender community members.

VI. Achievements of Ondede team

Ondede congratulates Avinash, who is also the board member of Ondede , for getting Passport as Male !



On the life of Transgender by Christ university students with Priya of Ondede: 11th October 2019



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Dialogues on the integrated approach towards marginalized and socially excluded communities: 3rd February 2020

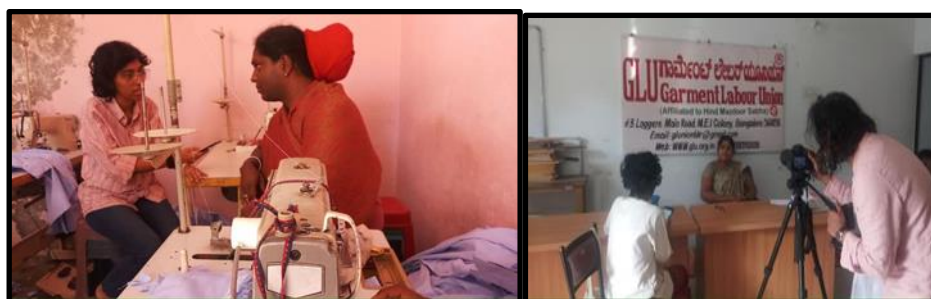


Participation in 'One Billion Rising' in Bangalore: 15th February 2020



Ondede team joined other women's groups in voicing against all forms of gender violence on the occasion of 'One Billion rising' in Bangalore

Dialogue with Garment workers union: 24th February 2020



Ondede's constant engagement with garment workers unions to include transgender and sexual minorities' issues in its paradigm to speak for the right to equal opportunities has been one of the prime networking with people's unions.

Workshop on 'Human Rights of Transgender and sexual minorities challenges and way forward' at NLSIU: 10th March 2020



Ondede team actively participated and reiterated the urgent need for the implementation of legal rights of transgender and sexual minorities in practice and also the means to address the socio economic and legal challenges in the society. This workshop was organized by National Human Rights Commission and National Law School of India University at NLSIU.