

Rakhi Year Round

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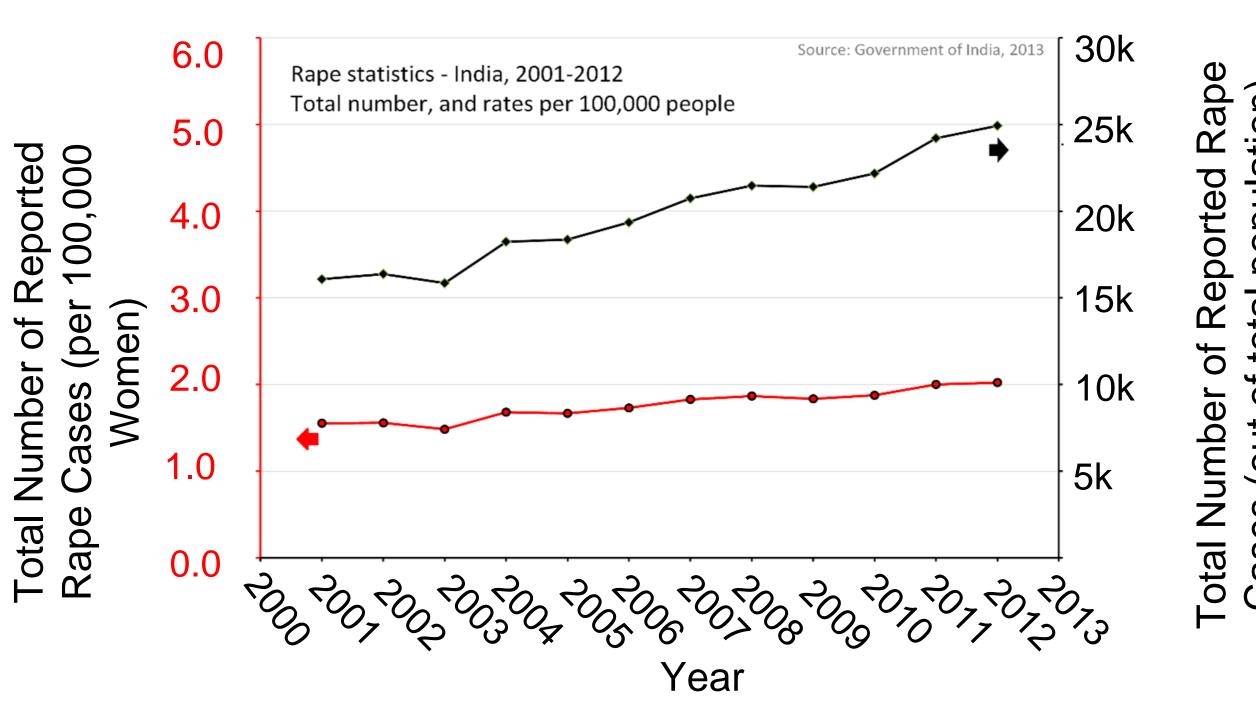
Abstract

The goal of our project is to reduce sexual violence against women in Jaipur, India. We will achieve this through the education of both men and women regarding women's health and wellbeing. This education will raise awareness about the problem of sexual violence and bolster support for women's rights.

Problem

- 37% of women reported to be sexually abused by their husband or a family member in 2012.^[1]
- 8.5% of the population of India, about 120 million people, have been sexually assaulted with only 1% of victims reporting their assault.^[3]
- Rape convictions decreased by 18% from 1973 to 2011.^[5]
- 67.5% of men agree that women should tolerate violence in order to keep their family together.^[6]

Total Rapes and Rape Rates^[2]



Rape is a prevalent problem in India. Both the rate of rapes and the total number of rapes has been increasing since 2000.

Project Goals/Objectives

- Increase awareness about sexual violence in Jaipur India.
- Establish a sexual education program under the leadership of the Rajasthan Mahila Mandal, which is a group that works towards creating self-dependent and secure lives for women.
- Empower women to feel comfortable in taking a stand against sexual violence for themselves and for younger generations.

Methods

Phase 1

Distribute information Rakhi Festival in Jaipur, Rajasthan



Phase 2

Preliminary lectures and surveys



Phase 3

Establish a relationship with Rajasthan Mahila Mandal



Phase 4

Turn leadership of our program over to Rajasthan Mahila Mandal to continue women's empowerment



Women looking through their choices of Rakhi bracelets that symbolize the bond between men and women.^[4]

Conclusions

Raising Awareness

 Handing out pamphlets will inform people of our program and purpose

Implementing Solution

 Working with the Rajasthan Mahila Mandal supports our organization's credibility

Going Forward

 Work with other Mahila Mandals to spread awareness and sexual education to other regions of India

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