

PROJECT TO MAKE DELHI UNIVERSITY MORE SAFE AND INCLUSIVE SPACE

Young women feel vulnerable and face different forms of sexual harassment in public spaces in and around Delhi University

PROBLEM

ACTIVITIES

Sensitization of stakeholders and beneficiaries through training and meetings

Public campaigns to raise awareness about women's rights to a life free of violence and to provide safety advice through community radio, public events, info-desks at college fests, publications and magazine articles, including dissemination of over 1000 helpline booklets, badges and leaflets on women's safety and an inclusive campus

Engagement with senior DU management and other stakeholders to effect strategic policy change

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Students and faculty are more informed and aware of the problem of sexual harassment and strategies to deal with it

Formation of a core group of partners, including students, faculty, marginalized student groups (disabled, regional, international), administration, student unions, residents, etc

Other city stakeholders, such as MCD, Police, Apex Committee on SH, Women Development Cell, have a better understanding of sexual harassment and are more committed to take action to end it

General public in and around DU are more informed about the issue and strategies to deal with it

Paying Guest accommodation safety standards introduced to improve women students' accommodation

Commitment of Police and MCD officials to reduce sexual harassment enhanced

Formation of an effective and sensitive Committee Against Sexual Harassment (CASH) in every college

OUTCOME

Core group takes sustained action to create a safer and more inclusive campus

Men are more informed about the issue and proactive in creating a safe environment for women

Women are more aware of sexual harassment and take steps to respond to it (i.e. contacting WDC at their colleges or police helpdesks helpline to make a complaint)

Police and MCD takes sustained action to create a safer and more inclusive campus- i.e. installing helpdesk managed by women police officers, regular and rigorous surveillance of the area, and better infrastructure with regular maintenance at the university campus

CASH and Apex Committees take prompt and gender sensitive action on cases of sexual

IMPACT

Incidences of sexual harassment in and around DU are reduced and women feel the area is a safe and inclusive space