



Advocacy Campaign Report

By the Pakistan Forum for Democratic Policing (PFDP) Sindh Chapter



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Executive Summary

Rozan implemented a project 'Preventing gender-based violence (GBV) through Democratic Policing' with the partnership of Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) in Islamabad and Sindh province. It was a two years project which aims to strengthen a civil society platform called the Pakistan Forum for Democratic Policing (PFDP) and make democratizing Pakistan's police institutions a priority agenda of a public policy.

The overall objective of this project was to build the capacity, profile and scale of the PFDP so that it has a strong advocacy voice and robust governance, and is effectively strengthening police operations to: reduce the risk of GBV, increase reporting of GBV, increase access to justice and SRHR services for survivors of GBV, improve the police's GBV response and prevention mechanisms. The project was also aimed in the direction to expand the existing setup of the PFDP in Sindh province by establishing its Sindh chapter having the voice and combine the strength of around 40 human rights organizations and activists including representatives from the media, legal, academic, and police sectors from all parts of the Sindh province. The PFDP Sindh chapter was capacitated on network governance, GBV and advocacy that will help them to run an advocacy campaign around the issue of combating GBV through democratic policing in the Sindh province. The advocacy campaign reached out around 10,000 beneficiaries directly and 500,000 indirectly having representations from communities, lawyers, journalists, academia, British Council, UK Deputy High Commissioner, Sindh Commission on the Status of Women, Sindh Home Department, famous cricketing personalities like Javed Miandad, Shoaib Muhammad, Danish Keneria and Islahuddin, TV actors like Salman Saeed, Hanan Sameed, Commissioner Karachi, Sindh police including inspector general of Sindh police A. D. Khowaja, Additional IGP Mushtaq Ahmed Meher, DIG South Karachi Azad Khan, DIG West Karachi, SSP South Karachi Javed Akbar, SSP City Adeel Chandio, SP Shehla Qureshi, AIG Establishment Naeem Shaikh and ASP South Rizwan.

Introduction:

An Advocacy campaign designed to push for a close in the gap between legislation and implementation of pro women laws (particularly regarding GBV), police reforms, an improved police response to GBV, especially sexual violence, and more awareness of rape as a crime and rights awareness.

The campaign focused on raising public awareness of gender based violence e.g. harassment, domestic violence, rape and other customary anti-women practices as crimes and reasserting the police's commitment to tackling them, as a way to strengthen community-police ties and work to build a very positive image of the police working to serve the needs of the community.

The Campaign started from 25th November 2017 till 10th December in Sindh on account of 16 days of Activism. Members of Pakistan Forum on Democratic Policing (PFDP) Sindh chapter conducted activities across Sindh with an aim to spotlight, inform, and raise awareness about gender-based violence through democratic and gender sensitive policing. Major activities were seminars, press conferences, community meetings, developing and dissemination of promotion material, radio messages, theatre performances, writing blogs and a community policing cricket match.

In summary, the activities of advocacy campaign were:

- 1) Community visits to the police stations - to demonstrate openness and transparency, bringing the public in to highlight the great efforts the police are making to be more proactive and accountable and to listen to the needs of community members.
- 2) Video/photo taking exercise with the police to help with preparation of Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials in collaboration with our police engagement team.
- 3) Outreach exercise with a small number of male and female police officers going out onto the streets in district South of Karachi and handing out information fliers on women's rights and human rights, in conjunction with Pakistani law, and holding up banners and posters in support of a zero tolerance attitude to gender based crimes.
- 4) A seminar at a local university engaging with students in a lively discussion on ways to improve community- police relations and empowering them with rights knowledge dissemination.
- 5) Participation in this cricket match of a full team of policemen and women and attendance of senior police officers, such as yourself and the IG Khawaja to present medals to officers for their good service and commitment to fight gender based violence.

Advocacy Campaign Objectives

Goals

- Effectively strengthen police operations to reduce the risk of GBV
- Increase reporting of GBV
- Increase access to justice and SRHR services for victims of GBV
- Improve police GBV response and prevention mechanisms.

In tangible terms this means:

- advocating for greater resources and prioritisation of GBV crimes,
- more gender sensitisation training for police
- an increase in the number and roles of female police officers
- the reinvigoration of Human Rights Cells for the specialised handling of cases of human rights violations, violence against women and children's rights.

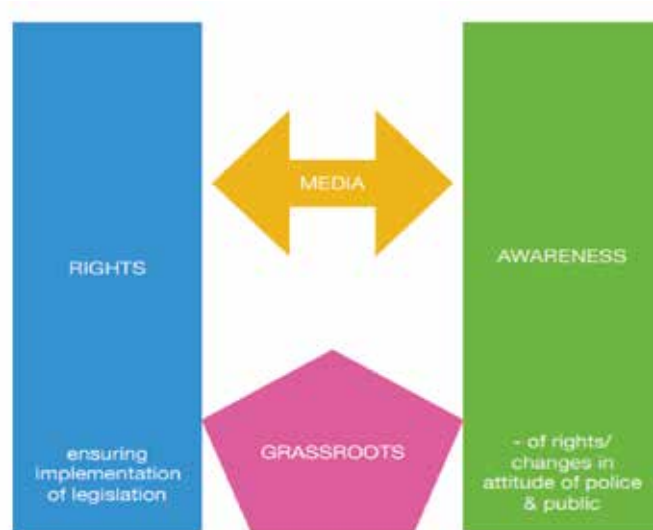
Objectives

- Need for police reforms awareness raising activities
- Lobbying for stronger police response to GBV
- GBV/ rape rights awareness raising initiatives
- Community mobilization
- Strengthening police-community ties
- Raising the profile of the forum

Advocacy campaign approach and methodology

Given the multiple project objectives, the overall advocacy campaign was designed to be multifaceted, looking at both raising awareness and pressing for tangible wins in terms of women's rights, focusing on pressing for implementation of existing legislation. Whilst separate, both of these strands are interconnected, in that awareness of rights will only be useful if the right conditions on the ground exist to exercise these rights, and also making people aware of their rights would encourage them to push for these gains. In this respect, the campaign looked to achieve both hard and soft gains; those that are more easily quantifiable and measurable, as well as those intangible shifts awareness that lead to changes in behavior or attitude.

In order to achieve both 'rights' and 'awareness' results, it was evident that the campaign would worked on three separate levels: grass-roots, institutional and policy level. As part of the advocacy campaign, the strategy was for forum members to work collectively in groups, building on their existing capacity, to organize a series of strategic events designed to tackle the issue from a number of different angles. Awareness of rights, changes in attitude of police and rights of citizens ensuring proper implementation of legislation, Media's grassroots high level pressure was designed to be applied through the use of a lobbying team, comprising of CSO's with legal or political lobbying experience, which engaged with key stakeholders through a variety of meetings, consultations and seminars to discuss the salient points of the campaign, and press for policy changes in specific areas. At a grassroots level, an upwards swell of support for such



reforms was to be harnessed through the use of a community mobilisation team, building on the extensive community ties that have been established with communities across the province, by rural community development organisations over the last twenty years. Campaign activities here were designed to focus on sensitising the community on the issue - which due to the controversial nature of the topic needed to be handled sensitively- and engaging with local community and religious leaders to mitigate against any potential harmful side-effects. As police were central to the success of the campaign, there was also designed to be a dedicated police engagement team whose responsibility it was to seek out and nurture effective working relations with local and district level police officers as well as senior police officials. The project also engaged police staff in the consultation meetings, design and implementation of the advocacy campaign, and it was the police engagement team’s responsibility to ensure this objective was achieved. To raise the profile of the campaign and to ensure a clear and consistent message is disseminated across all media platforms, there was to be a dedicated media team whose job it was to design effective media messages and a strategy aimed at ensuring these messages reached the widest audience possible, across a range of media platforms, including print, radio and social media.

Development of information, education and communication (IEC) material

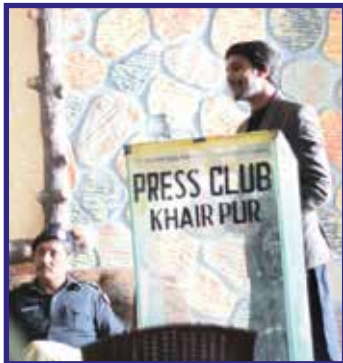
The messages for IEC material were developed by the forum members during advocacy training and quarterly meetings with the aim of addressing issue of GBV and pressing for police reforms. These messages were printed in Urdu and Sindhi language and distributed during the campaign.



Three Tiers of Advocacy

1. Grassroots level

On account of 16 days of activism, the PFDP Sindh chapter organized press conferences across the 13 districts of Sindh focuses on raising public awareness of gender based violence and strengthen the police community ties. 163 direct beneficiaries from media and community based organizations have attended these press conferences.



2. Institutional Level

To create the wider impact of campaign by involving state level departments, two eminent volunteers, Dr Madhuri Singh from Nepal and Baroness Burt, member of UK House of Lords joined the 16 days of advocacy campaign.

Dr Madhuri Singh had meetings with the National Commission on the Status of Women, Women Action Forum and members of the PFDP National Chapter. She was invited by Aurat Foundation as a panellist for BPfA+20 (Beijing Platform for Action) where she discussed about the GBV/VAW as a barrier in achieving women's equality in every sphere in the changing globalised economic and political context. She shared Nepal's strategy on preventing GBV/VAW. On Pakistan's struggle for preventing GBV, she commented that despite the country's commitment, some advancements have been made in terms of plans and policies, achieved some MDGs but the slow process, political instability and socio-cultural barriers compounded by religious political party's reservations in Pakistan may be a hindrance in achieving the due rights of women.

Ms Baroness Burt met with UK Deputy High Commission, the PFDP Sindh chapter members and British Council. She also visited Police Stations under the command of Superintendent of Police (SP) Shehla Qureshi and Panah Shelter home, where she also met GBV survivors.

Rozan and LRF also organized a theatre performance to address the GBV and democratic policing. Baroness Burt addressed the participants that included police, CSOs and



community members and congratulated the performers and police attendees for their bravery and commitment. Other speeches given by Shehla Qureshi, Fouzia Tariq, and retired IGP Niaz Ahmed Siddiqui, who said:

- The constitution gives fundamental freedoms which cannot be restricted. Police are the protectors of all rights, and there are no rights without women's rights.
- It is the responsibility of the police to have the knowledge, be pro-active and take ownership of accountability to the people they serve.
- People should be proud of the police, and the country should be open and accessible for women. Crimes can only be reduced when the gap between police and the community has been closed. Reconciliation committees should be established to reduce crimes
- A woman is killed every 6 hours, and kidnapped every 4 hours, while disparities between genders occur before birth and growing up.

Community policing cricket match was held in Karachi for bridging the gap between community and police. The rationale behind the match was to engage police with



IGP Sindh AD Khowaja and DIG South Karachi Azad Khan signing the pledge banner.

communities to deliver the message of enhanced community police ties and to raise awareness of the issue combating GBV through democratic policing in the presence of key influencers from the local community, celebrities and media. The theme for the match was strengthening community policing ties to improve response to gender based violence. IGP Sindh AD Khowaja, DIG south Karachi Azad Khan, Ex-cricketer Javed Miandad, Commissioner Karachi Mr. Ejaz and



Promotion material used to advocate for gender sensitive and democratic police.

other members from Police, forum members and community joined the event.

This cricket match provided an ideal platform for the police to use the stage to demonstrate their zero tolerance approach GBV. Senior police officials pledged their commitment for gender sensitive police on a banner that was displayed in the ground. The community also pledged over a banner displayed in the ground to extend their support to Sindh police for violence free and gender sensitive society.

To aware the community in an interactive way, a theatre performance was performed during the match break on the topic of GBV and democratic policing.

The IGP acknowledged demand of the PFDP to establish Human Rights and Anti-Gender Crime Cells in all the districts of Sindh province. He committed to provide all the resources needed for establishing and making them functional. Mr A.D. Khowaja also shared the measures that Sindh Police are taking to double women officers/ personnel's' strength in the province. The IGP asked DIG South Karachi Azad Khan to replicate community policing/sports events in other areas of Sindh too.

3. Policy level

One of the main objectives of the campaign was to engage policy makers to bring reforms for GBV prevention and community policing, so throughout the 16 days policy makers and state actors were engaged in various discussions and seminars with the PFDP members and Eminent Volunteers.

Baroness Burt, who was from House of Lords UK, had meetings with Home Department Sindh, Sindh Commission on the status of Women and Sindh Human Rights Commission.

Baroness Burt described the issues she had seen, including the lack of ring-fencing and resourcing of gender-sensitive policy and interventions. She asked “what would it take to achieve 5% of women in the police in practice?” She also highlighted her suggested exchange of police – “we have made the mistakes [in dealing with honour crimes and gender-based violence], so you don’t have to”.

The Home Secretary of Sindh province highlighted that girls outperform boys at colleges in Sindh, which he said was progressing faster than other regions. He said Sindh was the only province in the world providing land directly to women free of cost for farming, and cash transfer schemes to sent money directly to women. He also talked about gaps in the police system like political interference, lack of tenure security, absence of shift system, lack of gender sensitization trainings etc. He also said:

- “An educated girl cannot be beaten.”
- “We welcome any kind of assistance, advice and counselling. We are open, I am open”.
- “This meeting can provide a spark for change to happen.”

Baroness Burt suggested ring-fencing funding for women police in particular, after

highlighting the structural issues she had seen. The Home Secretary offered to take forward recommendations and gaps in the implementation of pro-women laws and requested Baroness Burt to write a letter of recommendation as House of Lords member.

List of forum members involved in the advocacy campaign:

S. #	Forum Member	District
1.	Child Rise	Tharparkar
2.	PVDP	Mirpur Khas
3.	SPARC	Sindh
4.	CDF	Jaccobabad
5.	IRADO	Umer Kot
6.	SDS	Hyderabad
7.	NARI	Sukkur
8.	Magnet	Sukkur
9.	NDF	NawabShah
10.	RDF	Jamshoro
11.	Holding Hands	Shikarpur
12.	SDTS	Khairpur
13.	BSWA	Khairpur
14.	SFW	Khairpur
15.	Jaggarta	Mirpur Khas
16.	ERADA	Larkana
17.	Azad SWA	Shikarpur
18.	LRF	Karachi
19.	Rozan	Islamabad
20.	The PFDP national chapter	Islamabad
21.	VDO	Ghotki

Summary of Advocacy campaign activities:

Activity	No. of participants (direct beneficiaries)	Outreach (indirect beneficiaries)
Radio messages on GBV and democratic police		100,000
Theatre performances on GBV and democratic police	630	
Police-Community Cricket Match	500	
Eminent Volunteers Visits	250	
IEC material distribution	6,555	
Seminars	769	
Newspapers coverage (52 clippings)	0	200,000
Social Media (Facebook and Twitter)	0	12,000
Awareness raising Sessions	1033	
Press conferences	163	
TV coverage		160,000
Total	9,900	472,000

Geographical coverage of the advocacy campaign



Media coverage of the advocacy campaign

The media campaign included orientations of journalists to provide an overview of the PFDP and advocacy campaign on 16 days of activism for combating GBV through community policing. The linkages developed with local and national journalists have resulted in a significant amount of media coverage on the issue and the activities of the advocacy campaign. The project has also received coverage of some of the advocacy activities on electronic media.

i. Print media

14 KARACHI The Nation, Karachi, Monday, November 27, 2017

Campaign against gender based violence kicks off

OUR STAFF REPORTER
JACOBABAD

The 16-day global advocacy campaign of action against gender based violence has started.

This was said by members of the community development foundation Jacobabad during a press conference here on Sunday.

All the members of Pakistan Forum for Democratic Policing (PFDP) Sindh Chapter, supported by VSO and Amplify Change in collaboration with Rozan and Legal Rights Forum, launched the campaign aimed at preventing gender based violence through democratic policing.

This campaign entitled, My Police For Me, focuses on raising public awareness of gender-based violence and re-orienting the police's commitment to tackling it, as a way to strengthen community-police ties, and work to build a positive image of a police force working to serve the needs of the community.

"Throughout the 16 days we will host activities across Sindh in conjunction with the police, Sindh Human Rights

Commission, Sindh Commission on the Status of Women and various educational institutions that will stimulate discussion, provoke debate and hopefully affect change around the topic of gender-based violence, particularly in terms of the police response," the community members said.

A diverse number of activities including seminars, dialogues with policy makers and police officers, theatre performances, community visits to police stations, police and community cricket matches, audio and video messages on community policing and zero tolerance attitude towards gender based violence and engagement with students at colleges and universities, will take place in different towns and cities.

"The purpose of this press conference is to announce the launch of the 16 Days of Activism My Police For Me campaign, on behalf of the forum and all its members, we emphasise the need for police reforms in Sindh, we believe that community policing is the best policy and insist that the police must serve to the interest of the community, we seek to

bridge the gap between the community and police and increase dialogue between the two," they added.

They demanded a zero-tolerance attitude and effective police response to gender based violence.

During the press conference they reiterated that the police should be sensitised on issues related to women, girls and children especially on gender based violence in order to make them more responsive to the complaints of the victim of crime.

The assert that when more females are recruited to police department women feel more comfortable in coming forward to report gender-based crimes and there fore encourage the police to recruit more female officers, in line with the 1 percent recommendation.

They wanted the police to be depoliticised and believe that all posting, transfers and recruitments must be made on merit while the more resources should be allocated to the police and it should be independent and empowered to make decisions and strategies that are in favour of the public as well as of police department as a whole.

Daily Times | Lahore **NATIONAL NEWS** Monday, November 27, 2017

Advocacy campaign against gender-based violence kicks off

Staff Report

JACOBABAD: A 16-day advocacy campaign against gender-based violence kicked off, and will continue till December 10, was said by members of the Community Development Foundation Jacobabad during a press conference, on Sunday.

Members of Pakistan Forum for Democratic Policing (PFDP) Sindh chapter, supported by VSO and Amplify Change in collaboration with Rozan and Legal Rights Forum, launched the campaign aimed at preventing gender-based violence through democratic policing.

The campaign, titled My Police For Me, focuses on raising public awareness of gender-based violence and reorienting the police's commitment to tackling it, as a

way to strengthen community-police ties, and work to build a positive image of a police force working to serve the needs of the community.

"Throughout the 16 days, we will host activities across Sindh in conjunction with the police, Sindh Human Rights Commission, Sindh Commission on the Status of Women and various educational institutions that will stimulate discussion, provoke debate and hopefully affect change around the topic of gender-based violence, particularly in terms of the police response," organisers of the campaign said.

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matches, audio and video messages on community policing and zero-tolerance attitude towards gender-based violence and engagement with students at colleges and universities, will take place in different towns and cities.

The organisers emphasised the need for police reforms in Sindh, and said that community policing was the best policy and maintained that the police must serve in the interest of the community to bridge the gap between the community and police and increase dialogue between the two.

They demanded a zero-tolerance attitude and effective police response to gender-based violence.

During the press conference, they maintained that the police should be sensi-

tised on laws related to women, girls and children especially on gender-based violence in order to make them more responsive to the complaints of the victims of crime.

They asserted that if more females were to in police department, women will feel more comfortable in coming forward to report gender-based crimes. They encouraged police to recruit more female officers, in line with the 10% recommendation.

They said that police appointments and recruitments must be made on merit while more resources should be allocated to the police and it should be independent and empowered to make decisions and strategies that are in favour of the public as well as of police department as a whole.

خواتین پر تشدد کے خلاف 16 روزہ سماجی تحریک کا آغاز ہو گیا

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SPARC launches Police Reforms Campaign

By RT Correspondent

MITHI: The Regional Head of SPARC (Society for Protection of Child Rights) Sindh Kashif Baqee, Tabana Chohan Program Manager BIDAR (Basic Institute for Development and Rights, Partab Shivani, the Executive Director SEARCH NGO, member of the Sindh Chapter of the Pakistan Forum for Democratic Policing (PFDP), announced to launch the forum's campaign aimed at Preventing Gender Based Violence Through Democratic Policing. The campaign was supported by VSO and Amplify Change and launched in collaboration with the Rozan and Legal Rights Forum. The campaign, entitled My Police for me, focuses on "raising public awareness of gender-based violence and reorienting

the police's commitment to tackling it, Kashif said. We aim to build a more positive image of police force working to serve the needs of the community, and strengthen community-police ties so the police are better able to prevent and respond to such incidents" he added. Throughout 16 days the forum will host activities across Sindh in conjunction with the police, Sindh Human Rights Commission, Sindh Commission on the Status of Women and various educational institutions that will stimulate discussion, provoke debate and hopefully affect change around the topic of gender-based violence, particularly in terms of the police response Activities including seminars, dialogues with policy makers and police officers, theatre performances, community visits to police station, police and community

cricket matches, audio and video messages on community policing and zero tolerance attitude towards Gender Based Violence will take place in different towns and cities during 16 days campaign. Students at colleges and universities will also play an active role. Mr Baqee stated the PFDP's desire is that "the police must be depoliticized and all posting, transfers and recruitments must be made on merit". He said that more resources should be allocated to the police and it should be independent and empowered to make decisions and strategies that are in favour of the public as well as of police department as a whole. Also as we were well aware of the importance of the technology we strongly demand that police be allocated sufficient funding and equipped with latest technology.

ii. Electronic media



Interview of Ms Burt on one of the leading TV channel

iii. Social media

Rebecca J. Khattak @RebeccaJkhattak · 5 Dec 2017
VSO Eminent Volunteer, Dr. Madhori Singh as a panelist for the 20th Sustainable Development Conference #SDC2017 #Islamabad #Pakistan concurrent session feminist agenda from Beijing Platform for Action to SDGs step forward or back? @VSO_Intl



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Lorely Burt @LorelyBurt · 4 Dec 2017
Hanging out with the Women's Action Forum - dedicated and inspirational women working together to achieve gender justice.



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Thank you @LorelyBurt for sharing your thoughts with us #WOWKHI and for leading as equalities spokesperson #UK @VSO_Intl @pkBritish @BritishCouncil



Chris Hunt @ChrisKarachi
Exploring how we can continue and broaden the #WOWKHI conversation and inclusion in #Karachi with @pkBritish and Baroness Burt #WOWSouthAsia #IDPD

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Tweet from Chris Hunt as Baroness Burt was filming a video clip:

<https://twitter.com/ChrisinKarachi/status/937290525555687424>

Tweet from Rosemary Hillhorst thanking Baroness Burt for her visit:

<https://twitter.com/rosemaryhilh/status/937307191152869378>

Tweet from an attendee: <https://twitter.com/Sherzaman88/status/937288529738125313>

Baroness Burt's tweets:

- <https://twitter.com/LorelyBurt/status/937311713166274560>
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- <https://twitter.com/LorelyBurt/status/937380664101490689>

iv. Radio

SPARC and CARD produced and disseminated radio messages for raising awareness on 16 days of activism, democratic policing and women's rights to property, education and life. These messages focused on women rights and legal penalties in case of violation of any pro-women laws. Following are the few key messages that were disseminated during the campaign:

Domestic violence is illegal

Anyone who abuse women physically, mentally and emotionally would be punished according to the law of Pakistan

This message is produced by the Pakistan Forum for Democratic Policing (PFDP) in collaboration with VSO, Rozan, LRF and SPARC for 16 days of Activisms funded by the AmplifyChange.

Workplace Harassment

Anyone who harasses women in government or private organization would be punished by criminal law act 2010.

This message is produced by the Pakistan Forum for Democratic Policing (PFDP) in collaboration with VSO, Rozan, LRF and SPARC for 16 days of Activisms funded by the AmplifyChange.

Throwing Acid on any man, women and children is illegal according to law.

This message is produced by the Pakistan Forum for Democratic Policing (PFDP) in collaboration with VSO, Rozan, LRF and SPARC for 16 days of Activisms funded by the AmplifyChange

Picture Gallery



Forum member holding press conference.



Forum member handed over IEC material to the police.



A walk on police reforms.



Theatre performance in Sukkur district.



IGP Sindh AD Khowaja addressing the community policing cricket match as chief guest.

Conclusion:

The advocacy campaign proved a big success of the PFDP-Sindh chapter where they accomplished a series of grass root level advocacy campaign activities in Sindh province in collaboration with Sindh police on reducing gender-based violence (GBV) through democratic policing. The campaign strengthened community-police ties and helped building a positive image of the police. The PFDP Sindh chapter members improved their coordination with the police, media, youth, women and other forum members. It also supported the forum in raising its profile. The campaign was not possible without ownership of the PFDP Sindh chapter members and also active participation of Sindh police. The major success of the campaign was involvement and acknowledgement of the IGP, Sindh AD Khowaja to work with the PFDP Sindh chapter to take the required steps for ending GBV.

Outcomes:

- Civil Society developed its understanding on policing
- Trust building between the police and civil society organizations
- Police felt supported by the civil society
- Ownership of advocacy campaign by police and community
- Sindh Commission on the Status of Women (SCSW) showed commitment to influence police and civil society engagement on request of the PFDP members
- Sindh Home Department to take up PFDP recommendations for gender segregated budgeting
- Ownership of the campaign by Sindh Police and key influencers
- Youth theatre group to continue theatre performances in entire Sindh voluntarily
- Sindh high police officials to collaborate with PFDP members for further police and community engagements
- IEC material was appreciated by the police and the community

Challenges:

- To fill gap between the police and community
- Political unrest like rallies, sit-ins, etc
- Political ownership for police reforms

Recommendations

- The PFDP Sindh chapter members should continue to press for activation of women protection cells, police stations and facilitation desks in each district (and each zone of Karachi) through letter writing, petitioning, one-to-one meetings and keeping pressure on provincial government to respond to police reform needs
- The forum's secretariat and co-secretariat along with few key members need to meet IGP Sindh to ensure support of the PFDP for democratic policing and also press him for the activation of human rights cells



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