



- ◇ 'How Protected Are They?' (2014) to assess and provide recommendations on mechanisms for protection of survivors of human trafficking and vulnerable persons.
- ◇ "Modern Slavery in Nepal: Understanding the Problem and Existing Responses" (2014)
- ◇ Pilot Survey for Mapping Vulnerability to Human Trafficking in Sindhupalchowk and Makwanpur (2019).
- Organized campaigns to advocate on the right to citizenship through mother.
- Organized 'Women in Black' events, the silent protest programs against trafficking of women and children in commemoration of Beijing Conference, in last Friday of each month from August 1997-2008.
- Organized district, regional and national programs and capacity building initiatives against human trafficking.
- Hosted 'Women's Court' on human trafficking to launch 'We Can', a South Asia Campaign to end all violence against women from December 2004-2011.
- Succeeded in advocating for promulgating Human Trafficking and Transportation (Control) Act, 2007 and National Plan of Action against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, 2012, which was a key agenda of AATWIN.
- Carried out intensive lobby and advocacy campaign for promulgation of the Domestic Violence (Crime and punishment) Act, 2009.
- Organized the national level 'Honor Ceremony' in 2011 to honor Charimaya Tamang, trafficked survivor and Shakti Samuha in acknowledgement of their courageous efforts against human trafficking and first person to internationally honored.
- Honoured by the Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare (MoWCSW) in 2010 and 2012 for its remarkable contribution against human trafficking.
- Nominated constantly for third term (2009, 2013 and 2018) as a member of National Coordinating Committee for Controlling Human Trafficking (NCCHT)/Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare.
- AATWIN members, survivors and personalities

affiliated to and recommended by AATWIN has been honored on the occasion on National Day against Human Trafficking by Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizen.

- Successfully advocated on the right to compensation against human trafficking and slavery ensured under the right against exploitation/human trafficking in the Constitution of Nepal, 2015
- Nominated as a member of technical committee of the implementation of National Action Plan 2012 against trafficking in women and children, of Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare
- Contributed to the SDG 2030 goals as well as involved in its implementation through Nepal SDGs Forum.
- Established a space for continuous cooperation and coordination with the Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizen (MoWCSC), National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)/Office of the Special Rapporteur on Trafficking in Women and Children (OSRT), National Women Commission (NWC) and related agencies including stakeholders.

9. AATWIN Leadership

S.N.	Name of Organization	Year
1.	Women Rehabilitation Center (WOREC)	1997-1998
2.	Child Workers in Nepal Concerned Center (CWIN)	1999-2000
3.	Mahila Atma Nivarta Kendra (MANK)	2001-2002
4.	Informal Sector Service Center (INSEC)	2003-2004
5.	Women Skill Creation Center (WOSCC)	2005-2006
6.	Gramin Mahila Sirjansheel Pariwar (GMSP)	2007-2008
7.	Shakti Samuha	2009-2010
8.	Rural Reconstruction Nepal (RRN)	2011-2012
9.	Children-Women in Social Service & Human Rights (CWISH)	2013-2014
10.	Jagaran Nepal	2015-2017
11.	Himalayan Human Rights Monitors (HIMRIGHTS)	2017-2019

10. The Way Forward

AATWIN, as a movement based network with increasing recognition from all sectors in the society, strongly realizes its expanding responsibilities in the protracted struggle against human trafficking. It recognizes that the way forward is not easy, but full of challenges. However, AATWIN strongly believes that it will overcome the challenges by transforming those into opportunities for progress with the cooperation and support of justice seekers individuals, member organizations, and other national and international organizations.

Member Organizations of AATWIN (2019)

1. Women Rehabilitation Centre (WOREC), Lalitpur
2. Child Workers in Nepal Concerned Centre (CWIN), Kathmandu
3. Mahila Atma Nirvarta Kendra (MANK), Sindhupalchowk
4. Informal Sector Service Centre (INSEC), Kathmandu
5. Women Skill Creation Centre (WOSCC), Makwanpur
6. Shakti Samuha, Kathmandu
7. Rural Reconstruction Nepal (RRN), Kathmandu
8. Women Acting Together for change (WATCH), Kathmandu
9. Himalayan Human Rights Monitors (HIMRIGHTS), Lalitpur
10. Navajyoti Women Training Centre, Kathmandu
11. Children-Women in Social Service & Human Rights (CWISH), Kathmandu
12. Centre for Victims of Torture (CVICT), Kathmandu
13. Women Development Self Employment Training Centre (WDSETC), Kathmandu
14. Women Welfare Society (WWS), Kathmandu
15. Gramin Mahila Sirjansheel Pariwar (GMSP), Sindhupalchowk
16. Teka Samuha Nepal, Kathmandu
17. Jagaran Nepal, Kathmandu
18. Makawanpur Mahila Samuha, Makawanpur
19. Aawaaj, Surkhet
20. Nari Utthan Kendra, Kavre
21. Protection Nepal, Bara
22. Women Awareness Forum for Social Change (WAFS), Kailali
23. Education Training and Service for Community Nepal (ETSC-N), Makwanpur
24. Women Progress Centre, Kanchanpur
25. Child Society Nepal, Morang
26. Shakti Milan Samaj, Kathmandu
27. Women Forum for Women in Nepal (WOFOWON), Kathmandu
28. Biswas Nepal, Kathmandu
29. Asha Nepal, Kathmandu
30. Common Platform for Common Goal (COCON), Kathmandu
31. KIN Nepal, Lalitpur
32. Change Nepal, Kathmandu
33. Chhori, Lalitpur
34. Sahavagi, Chitwan
35. Child Nepal, Kathmandu
36. Social Service Centre (SOSEC) Nepal, Dailekh
37. Opportunity Village Nepal (OVN), Kathmandu
38. Janjyoti Yuwa Samaj, Sarlahi
39. Women Protection Centre, Makwanpur
40. Centre for Awareness Promotion (CAP) Nepal, Kathmandu

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1. Establishment of AATWIN

Alliance Against Trafficking in Women and Children in Nepal (AATWIN), a national level network of non-governmental organizations, was formally formed on 6 June 1997, to strengthen the campaign against human trafficking and for human rights; focused on women's and children's human rights.

AATWIN has adopted Human Rights-Based Approach in all its endeavors. It has been focusing, since its establishment, on policy changes to tackle human trafficking at the local, national and international levels. It has undertaken tireless efforts to bring conceptual clarity on issues of human trafficking not only amongst its member organizations but also in wider populations. AATWIN recognizes that human trafficking is a global phenomenon, and strongly believes that the national laws, policies, regulations and functional service guidelines including campaigns should reflect the international standards and practices. AATWIN aims to mobilize campaigns by joining hands together with as many as possible local, national and international organizations to fight against the issues pertaining to human trafficking.

2. Vision

AATWIN envisions a just and equitable society free of human trafficking.

3. Mission

To strengthen the movement against human trafficking, and the efforts to reduce and prevent it through empowering organizations promoting women's and children's human rights across the country as well as expanding co-ordination with like-minded international networks and institutions.

4. Goal

Reduce human trafficking through policy change and mobilize awareness campaign against human trafficking.

5. Major Objectives

- To influence and support law- and policy-makers to formulate, amend and implement laws and policies against human trafficking;



- To generate evidence on human trafficking to inform right holders and stakeholders;
- To strengthen network and capacities of the civil society organizations working against human trafficking and on human rights, particularly women's and children's rights;
- To develop AATWIN as a national level Resource Center against human trafficking; and
- To build capabilities of AATWIN members and staffs on the ever-changing scenarios of human trafficking.

6. AATWIN's Endorsement

- AATWIN accepts the definition 'Trafficking in Persons' as the act of transporting and transferring of persons from one place to another by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, abduction, fraud, deception, the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability or giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person, for the purpose of exploitation amounting to violation of human rights. Exploitation shall include, at a minimum, the exploitation of the prostitution of others or other forms of sexual exploitation, forced labour or services, slavery or practices similar to slavery, servitude or the removal of organs.
- The underlying causes of human trafficking are the socio-economic and gender inequalities, patriarchal and conservative social structures, lack of political commitment, weakness of legal implementation, inadequacy of legal instruments and mechanism, open-border with India and unsafe migration.
- Trafficking of women and children is not a stand-alone issue; it is interrelated and intersectional thus an important national agenda.
- Human trafficking is the gross violation of human rights, which can only be abolished by transforming the existing exploitative and discriminatory structural fabric of our society.



7. Major Programs of AATWIN

7.1 Network Building

Networks are imperative and crucial in the fight against human trafficking, which is a form of modern slavery and an organized international crime. AATWIN, realizing the significance of network, has been building networks at local, national and international levels. It is expanding its networks at the districts through its member organizations. Likewise, it has been building linkages with regional and international networks by becoming member of GAATW, RECEM/SDG, South Asian Initiative to End Violence Against Children/ National Action and Coordinating Group (SAIEVAC/NACG) etc.

7.2 Conceptual Clarity Initiatives

Conceptual clarity on right based approach, changing trends and dimensions of human trafficking is important for AATWIN member organizations and stakeholders. AATWIN carries out variety of activities such as research, workshops, interactions, orientations, training and trainer's training including publications of different information, education and communication materials on different aspects to create awareness among stakeholders.

7.3 Advocacy Campaign against Human Trafficking

AATWIN has been executing awareness and advocacy campaigns targeted to formulation, effective implementation, improvement and reform of existing laws and policies based on due analyses of human trafficking issues from human rights perspectives. Its main activities include lobbying, consultations, interactions, workshops, memorandum, press conferences, press releases, demonstrations, sit-in protests and rallies.

7.4 Information and Resource Center of AATWIN

The Information and Resource Center was established in 2004 with the objective of systematic collection and dissemination of information relating to human trafficking and human rights at the national and international levels.

The Information and Resource Center has collection of books, journals, magazines, reports, research findings, bulletins, newspaper compilations, audio/visuals,



posters, booklets, pamphlets, photographs, articles, flyers, and others. It also publishes 'Osarpasar', a bi-annual publication on various issues against human trafficking.

8. Major Activities and Achievements of AATWIN

- Launched letter-writing campaign in 1999, in which letters to the Heads of the States and the Governments of SAARC countries were sent to draw attention against human trafficking for SAARC Convention.
- Hosted the Second SAARC People's Forum in 2000 and its follow-up meeting prior to the Eleventh SAARC Summit in 2002 to create pressure on the SAARC countries for the promulgation of a regional-level convention against human trafficking Organized continuous lobbying and campaigns during various SAARC Summits to influence on formation of a SAARC-level mechanism to prevent and fight against human trafficking of women and children.
- Conducted awareness campaigns to clarify concepts on issues of human trafficking from local to international levels through different workshops, seminars, interactions, publications for concept clarity and changing dynamics of human trafficking.
- Organized various national workshops to initiate dialogue for ratification of SAARC Convention against Trafficking from human rights perspectives.
- Played pro-active role in the first SAARC People's Forum as the local organizer, which provided recognitions in national and international forums.
- AATWIN was introduced in the Social studies textbook of 10th Grade since last 2 decades.
- Established AATWIN Information and Resource Center in 2004.
- Carried out researches, and published reports, entitled
 - 'In search of Identity' (2006) highlighting "Nepali Women and Citizenship Issue: The Social-Political Impacts on the Lives of Nepali Women";
 - 'Where Accountability Lies?' (2013) to develop participatory method of monitoring anti-trafficking initiatives'.

