



# CALENDAR 2017

A photograph of a young woman with long dark hair, wearing a brown jacket, holding a blue protest sign. The sign reads "I OPPOSE CHILD MARRIAGES," in white capital letters. She is standing outdoors at night, with blurred lights and other people visible in the background.

# January

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*"When young girls could have studied and become independent, they are married off to perform domestic chores and serve their husbands"*

Karishma Verma, Student

**10.3 Cr**

girls were married  
before they had  
turned 18

Source: Census of India, 2011

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# February

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*"A house of her own is not just going to provide social and economic autonomy, but it would also be a significant step towards women's emancipation"*

Nubeel Ansari, IT Professional

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**35.8%**  
women, in the age group of  
15-49, own a house and/or  
land in Haryana (alone or  
jointly with others)

Source: NFHS-4





# March

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*"For years men have been seen as silent spectators to violence against women and girls. It is high time we come forward and change this perception about men and boys"*

Nipun Basin, Sales Professional

**1.1 Lakh**

women faced cruelty by their husbands or his relatives in India

Source: Crime in India 2015, NCRB

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# April

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*"I think gender-biased sex selection is a shame. We are in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and yet do not understand that girls are equal to boys"*

Shivani Bazaz, Journalist

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**906 girls**

were born for every 1000  
boys during 2012-14 at  
the national level

Source: SRS Statistical Report 2014



A photograph of a young woman with dark hair, smiling, holding a purple protest sign. The sign has white text that reads: "I WANT GIRLS TO BE GIVEN EQUAL HEALTHCARE AS BOYS,". She is wearing a red patterned dress. The background shows a city street at night with blurred lights from buildings and other people.

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*"Girls have a better survival rate than boys in their early years of life. However, they lose this advantage because of discrimination and neglect"*

Dr Sadaf Nishat, Medical Practitioner

The infant mortality rate among girls in India is  
**40**

Source: SRS Statistical Report 2014

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# June

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*"I see educated people from well off families having underage girls and boys from villages carry their shopping bags or walk their child's pram. Do those children not have the right to a childhood?"*

Praneet Singh, Marketing Professional

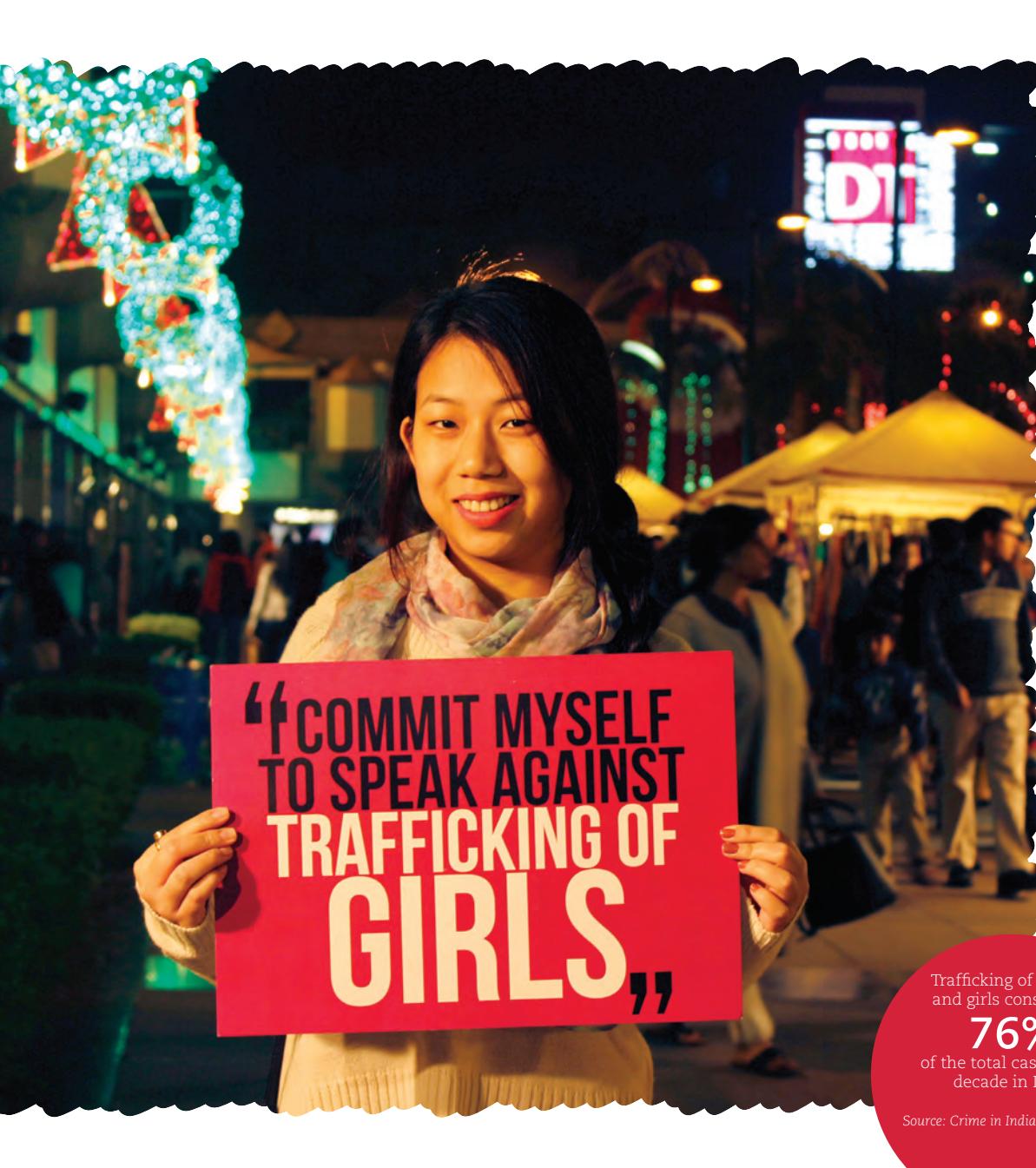
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**43.5 lakh**

children were employed as  
child labourers in India

Source: Census of India, 2011



A photograph of a young woman with dark hair, smiling, holding a red protest sign. The sign has white text that reads, "I COMMIT MYSELF TO SPEAK AGAINST TRAFFICKING OF GIRLS," in a bold, sans-serif font. She is wearing a light-colored scarf and a yellow top. The background is a blurred night scene with colorful lights from buildings and street decorations.

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*"Even though child sex ratio is not a huge problem in north east India, but trafficking of girls is a major problem we face"*

Sonia, Student

Trafficking of women and girls constituted

**76%**

of the total cases over a decade in India

Source: *Crime in India 2014, NCRB*

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# August

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*"Education for girls is a vital concern for a young nation like ours. Girls are not encouraged to continue their education after a certain age which wastes a lot of talent"*

Debanjana Saha, Graphic Designer

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Girls constitute  
**45.5%**  
of the total enrolment in  
higher education

Source: All India Survey on  
Higher Education (2014-15),  
Dept. of Higher Education





# September

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*"Having reproductive choices are a mark of independent women. Gender justice begins when women have the right over their bodies"*

Neha Jain, PR Professional

Unsafe  
abortion is the  
**3<sup>rd</sup>**  
largest cause of maternal  
deaths in India

Source: RGI-SRS 2002-03

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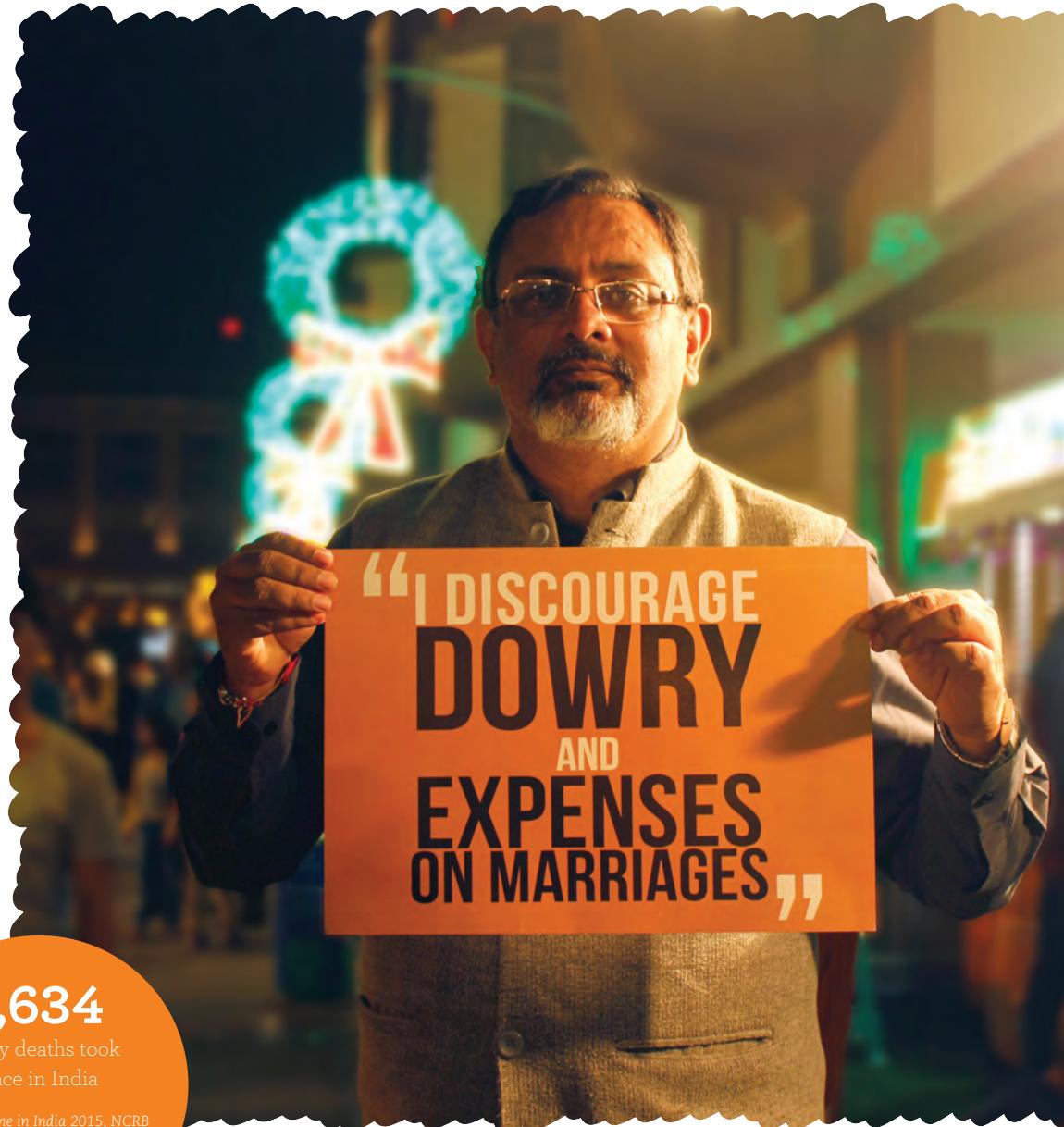
*"Dowry is an issue on which often both parties shake hands. It has become a rat race. People take pride in competing on the basis of who spends more on marriages"*

Sanjeev Duggal, Self-employed

**7,634**

dowry deaths took place in India

Source: Crime in India 2015, NCRB



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*"Violence against women is a violation of human rights. It takes a toll on a woman's psychological and physical health. It destroys her being"*

Ritika Sharma, Student

3.27 lakh

crimes against  
women were reported  
in India

Source: Crime in India 2015, NCRB

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# December

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"I want my daughters to feel safe everytime they go out and it would be possible only when all of us come together and make public spaces safer"

Puneet Anand, Corporate Professional

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95%

women in Delhi feel unsafe in public spaces

Source: Baseline Survey by UN Women,  
Govt. of Delhi and Jagori, 2012

