



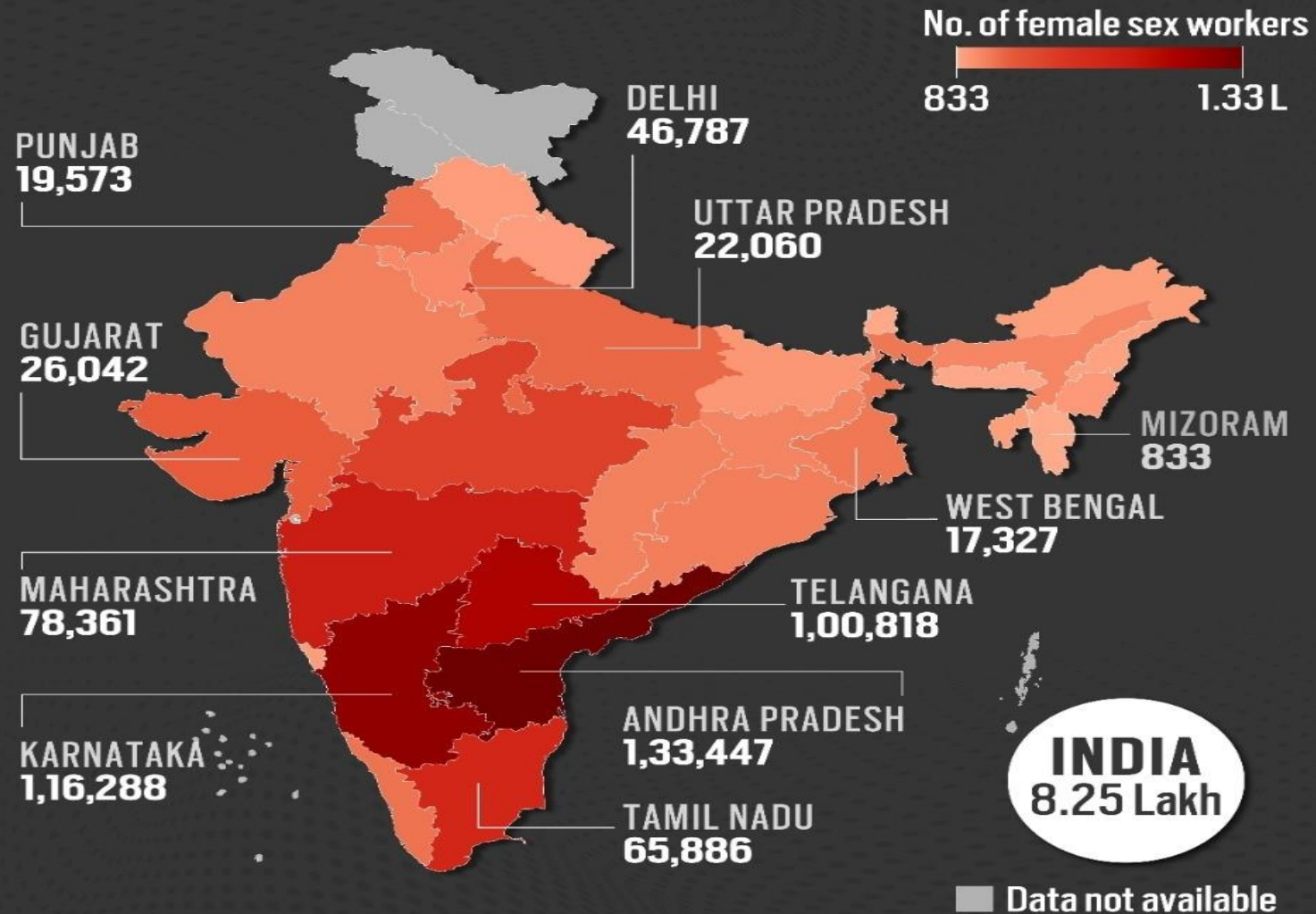
SOCIAL PROBLEM

PROSTITUTION

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PROSTITUTION IN INDIA

MORE THAN HALF OF INDIA'S FEMALE SEX WORKERS ARE IN 5 SOUTHERN STATES



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INTRODUCTION

- Prostitution is considered as one of the oldest professions.
- There is mention of prostitution in our ancient texts like the Vedas, though as an institution, it developed probably in the post-Vedas period.
- Kautilya mentions about several types of prostitutes, the most important one termed 'Ganika'.
- It is a burning social problem globally.
- Combinations of factors are enhancing prostitution.



DEFINATION OF PROSTITUTION

- According to Elliott and Merrill- “prostitution involves illicit sex union on a promiscuous and necessary basis with accompanying emotional indifference.”
- “A prostitute is a person who agrees to have sexual intercourse with any person . Who offers money or in kind”.



TYPES OF PROSTITUTES

- The overt prostitute
 - Professional registered , unregistered prostitute who live in brothel houses.
 - Act as entertainers , supplements to their legitimate earnings



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- Clondestine Group.
 - The occasional prostitute-who alternates periods of reforms with periods of active prostitution
 - The incidental prostitute-inadequate legitiment income, by the role of sex favour increased income.
 - Married women occasionally reset to mercenary and adulterous practices.
 - Lower status of women which the guardian enters into agreement with a member for a stipulated period.



CAUSES OF PROSTITUTION

❖ **Biological-** Sex urge is human being

❖ **Socio-Economic-** Poverty , mother's occupation industrialization urbanization lack of family and social control and lack of moral teaching

☐ Causes of Female.

- ✓ Economic Factor-With out any support
- ✓ Ignorance-rural, girls, employment posts.
- ✓ Unhappy marital relations-
- ✓ Desire for new experience.
- ✓ Restrictions on widow remarriage .
- ✓ Devadasi system.

☐ Causes of Males.

- ✓ The unmarried persons: Leads bachelors to prostitution.
- ✓ The married person-unsatisfactory marital relationship or cultural differences between the couple.
- ✓ The widowers or the divorces.



PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF PROSTITUTION.

The measures to be adopted to fight this vice may be grouped into four:

- Preventive
- Prohibitory
- Prophylaxis
- Legislation



□ PREVENTIVE MEASURES

- There should be sex education at school and college levels, Girls should be taught the danger of sex exploitation by males.
- Social education and propaganda also are important measures to flight this evil. A healthy public opinion should be created against illicit sex relations.
- Pornographic literature and obscene films should be completely banned.



□ PROHIBITARY MEASURES

- Medical Examination of all prostitutes should be conducted frequently.
- Medical personnel dealing with prostitutes should be specially trained.
- Many brothels are situated near the market- places or industrial area. For example, in Bombay there is a big red- light area right on Grant road.
- No prostitution should be allowed in or near working men's residences, or educational institutions.



□ PROPHYLAXIS

- The prophylactic measures include prevention of communicable diseases and improvement of hygienic conditions.
- The prostitutes and customers should be instructed to use protective measures.
- Condoms may be used by males and female can use chemical dis-infectives after the exposure. these will prevent the communication of venereal diseases.
- Young men should be educated to practice continence and develop healthy habits of recreation.



□ LEGISLATION

- There is a good deal of difference of opinion about the efficacy of legislation in combating a vice like prostitution.
- According to law , prostitution as such is not an offence ,where both parties to act and adults and no fraud or force has been used.

-various legislation in India are –

- importing girls for prostitution
- living on earnings of a prostitute
- unlawful detention for the sake of prostitution
- procuring girls for the sake of prostitution



❖ REHABILITATION OF PROSTITUTES

- A very important aspect of prostitution is the rehabilitation of those prostitutes who want to leave their profession.
- There should be adequate provision to train them in some other work, educate them and settle especially the younger women.



ROLE OF NURSE IN PROSTITUTION

- ✓ A nurse should know that prostitution results in sexually transmitted diseases such as syphilis, gonorrhoea, HIV/AIDS etc. which can be life threatening.
- ✓ The nurse should participate in awareness creating programs by educating on social and health aspects of sexually transmitted diseases.
- ✓ Propagate the laws and provisions of alternate employment opportunities.



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Summary



Thank you...