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Women's and girls' human security in the context of poverty and inequality

- **Deepen the understanding of the implications for women's and girls' multiple human insecurities and vulnerability to experiencing human rights abuses primarily in the socioeconomic dimension of their lives, leading to a series of other violations, including lack of access to justice and undue/disproportionate/excessive criminalization;**
 - o The Aboriginal Indigenous Agricultural Tribes (AIAT) is a minority sect. The AIAT women and children were starved through an illegal freeze on bank accounts of its public Trusts. On 26 March, 2010, the Karnataka State Police - CID unlawfully sent letters to the banks holding the accounts of the public charitable Trusts of the temple-monastery of the Supreme Pontiff of Hinduism (SPH) Nithyananda Paramashivam, illegally ordering them to freeze all the bank accounts of these Trusts.¹
 - o AIAT traditional school persecution - On 17 Sep 2013, the Karnataka State Department of Women and Children forcibly, cruelly, and illegally interrogated children in the ASMT school (Gurukul) without the consent of the parents, with no video recording of the examiners, late-night beyond² the time permissible by law³. The State interrogators shamed and ridiculed the children, particularly girls for their dress, pressured them to quit their spiritual-religious lifestyle, and forced children to eat unhealthy substances avoided in the AIAT lifestyle. The woman lawyer of the school was sued by the State for intervening in the violation of the rights of children and parents⁴. Several such raids were done by the State and many vexatious legal proceedings and orders were executed by the State to forcibly shut down the school which was finally physically demolished illegally.

¹ Letter dated 26 Mar 2010, From Inspector of Police EDF Wing to the Branch Manager, ICICI Bank - https://kailasa.hindunation.org/0:/for%20UN%20report/2010-03-26_letter%20from%20EDF%20TN%20to%20icici%20bank%20001.jpg

No debit transaction was allowed (Letter from ICICI bank ICI/0084/Misc/2009-10 dated 26 Mar 2010 https://kailasa.hindunation.org/0:/for%20UN%20report/2010-03-26_ICICI-NDP.jpg), making the main source of food and basic amenities for the residents of the Aadheenam (temple monastery complex) a huge struggle. There was no food in the monastery. The residents were pushed to crisis, and were forced to survive by drinking rain water which collected under-ground, and living by sorting good grains out of the rotten ones. When they appealed to the Court to seek relief, the judge made a mocking statement in the open court, 'If there is no food, eat air.' Several residents and full-time volunteers fled the monastery due to starvation. Several social welfare and spiritual services of the monastery had to be discontinued.

² http://shrikailasa.github.io/persecution_evidences/gurukul/CWC_Representatives_17-Sep-2013.png - CWC came to see gurukul with police beyond legally permissible time

³ http://shrikailasa.github.io/persecution_evidences/gurukul/Letter_CWC_Representative_Radhka_K_17-Sep-2013.png - Letter from CWC representative Radha

⁴ FIR 340/13 Bidadi PS dated 19-Sept-2013 u/s IPC 186 against Ragasudha (lawyer of the ASMT school and parents)

- o Weaponization of sexual violence targeting women and children⁵ is part of a more pervasive and systematic campaign targeting certain indigenous spiritual traditions, minority communities, and their leaders, especially those from linguistic and religious minority groups, and of dark-skinned people of indigenous spiritual traditions, and of ethnic native-Hindu tribes that have existed in India for millennia. One such indigenous spiritual tradition currently targeted for extermination is the Hindu Aboriginal Indigenous Agricultural Tribes (“AIAT”) in India.
- o Image morphing deepfake technology to publicly shame women and girls⁶
- o AIAT members have been the victims of murder and the murders have been framed against the SPH⁷.
- o Assassination attempts and sexual assaults
 - The SPH and His followers within the AIAT community have been targeted for assassination by various means, including murder, mob violence, poisoning and vehicular assault that have caused death, injuries, physical and mental trauma, damage to vehicles and property⁸.
 - AIAT nuns including minor children were sexually assaulted and their worship structures demolished illegally in the native place of the SPH, Tiruvannamalai⁹, the AIAT monastery attacked and

⁵ India is the most dangerous country for sexual violence against women, according to the Thomson Reuters Foundation 2018 survey. According to the National Crimes Records Bureau, the rape of minor girls increased by 82% in the year 2016 compared with the previous year. Sexual violence and brutal rape have been weaponized against minority women and children by extremist militant elements at the highest levels of governance.

⁶ Sensational screening and manufacture of misinformation and hate speech is marginalizing minority communities (theprint.in/world/uks-communications-regulator-imposes-20000-fine-on-republic-bharat-for-hate-speech/572131/), especially targeting women (<https://www.thequint.com/news/webqoof/explained-why-fake-news-misinformation-around-women-more-than-men>) with the use of image morphing (scroll.in/latest/877007/network-of-women-in-media-demands-immediate-end-to-online-vilification-of-journalist-rana-ayyub) and deep-fake videos (<https://www.newindianexpress.com/nation/2013/sep/03/Channel-ordered-to-apologise-to-Ranjitha-512987.html>; <https://www.deccanherald.com/content/355108/bccc-tells-channel-apologise-airing.html>).

Although there are many instances of attacks against followers of the AIAT and their spiritual leader, a particular focus of attacks has been a fabricated video of 2010 of the AIAT actress Ranjitha. The video was repeatedly and sensationally broadcasted by Sun TV and various media channels to defame her character, and to delegitimize her Guru the Supreme Pontiff of Hinduism (SPH), Jagatguru Mahasannidhanam (JGM), His Divine Holiness (HDH) Bhagavan Sri Nithyananda Paramashivam. Forensic examinations have shown the video to be fabricated, super-imposing videos of the two individuals. The Chief Operations Officer of the Sun TV, a politically owned media house run by the DMK party, gave a media interview (18 Dec 2012 - Jaya TV - Hansraj Saxena's Statement - Jaya TV - <https://youtu.be/YdLDypTvbBk>) and affidavit (US District Court, Central District of California, Case 5:13-cv-00393-VAP (SPx), document 156-3, 3 Nov 2014, Declaration of Dharmaraja Hansraj Saxena (<https://kailasa.hindunation.org/0:/for%20UN%20report/Declaration%20of%20Dharmaraja%20Hansraj%20Saxena.pdf>) in a US court acknowledging the detailing the history and methodology of the blackmail and extortion followed by the channel, particularly in targeting the AIAT community and its leader the SPH involving the fabricated video. This confession and affidavit did not remedy the situation as the channel kept victimizing the actress.

⁷ <https://kailasa.hindunation.org/0:/for%20UN%20report/Copy%20of%20Murders%20of%20The%20Followers%20of%20SPH>

⁸ ibid

⁹ On 16 June 2017, in Pavazhakundru, three nuns – Ma Nithya Deepikananda Swami, Ma Nithya Satyagjanananda Swami, and her pre-monastic minor daughter Ma Nithya Prajnanananda, were cleaning the area around Paramashiva Shila (the sacred rock worshipped as a Deity) for worship. The militants defiled the Paramashiva Shila (the rock worshipped as a Deity) with footwear and drew lewd figures on it. The minor Ma Nithya Prajnanananda was raped in the hut and video recorded. The mother distracted the militants in hope of protecting the child. The mother, Ma Nithya Satyagjanananda Swami was then

residents attempted to be mob lynched and an AIAT nun gang raped by Hinduphobic elements¹⁰.

- Inciting hatred through media
 - A Hindumisic media channel aired a media report where it accused the SPH of raping His own biological mother (a Hindu nun) on the occasion of His father's sad demise. The channel went on to justify their sadist sexual objectification of Hindu nuns terming it as "unbiased reporting".¹¹
 - On 18 Jan 2018, young female nun received death threats and was defamed¹² for voicing out against defamatory sexualization of Hindu female saint Aandal by politically owned media.
 - Hindumisic militants have used such hate speech as what Discovery+ OTT platform is involved in resorted to and justify violence after reading or watching¹³.

brutally beaten, shown clips of her daughter's rape, raped, and also photographed. While Ma Nithya Satyagjananda Swami was being raped, Ma Nithya Deepikananda Swami had to protect the deities and the child. The child was trying to protect herself by being close to the senior nun. The child expected help from the policemen, but they pushed her amongst each other, something which deeply terrorized her about the role of the police in society. The community sent letters of appeal to the District Executive Officer who ignored all their appeals. Despite peacefully using the land for more than three decades, and showing all land documents, along with bills and vouchers of annual fees that were paid to the State Revenue department the State authorities headed by the district collector, declared the hut to be an illegal construction and ordered demolition. The hut where worship items were kept was torn down by police and aired in media and publicized as demolition of illegal construction. The politically owned media reported this event in a biased way, they cruelly vilified the ASMT nuns and monks and addressed them as "cheats", "landgrabbers".

On **5 February 2017**, ASMT monk Sri Nithya Bhaktimayananda Swami escaped an attempt to murder⁵⁰³ with a bleeding head. On **22 June 2017**, nuns were forcibly evicted while worshipping the Paramashiva Shila (the sacred rock worshipped as a Deity) and taken to Police Station beyond permissible time per law⁵⁰⁴ for women to be arrested or kept for interrogation. They were threatened by the police and released. **18 May 2018**, the Paramashiva Shila (the sacred rock worshipped as a Deity) was vandalized again – the hooligans urinated on the deity and defiled it with slippers, and broke the worship altars.

¹⁰ On the night of 16 June 2017, a large group of around 150 Hinduphobic elements trespassed the ASMT monastery in Chennai and demanded the eviction of the monastery. The verbal attack changed to a physical attack almost immediately. They started attacking the ASMT community with sharp weapons, rock-like stones and rods. The ASMT tried to file police complaint but it was not filed. Because of police inaction, the attack was repeated in daylight on 18 June 2017. A female monk was performing morning temple rituals when around 200 people came running towards the monastery like an army. They were throwing big stones and boulders at the residents. The ASMT residents ran into a storage container for safety. The militants followed and started pelting rocks at the container. Many windows were shattered, doors were broken and many residents started bleeding due to injuries and cuts. An ASMT nun was gang-raped by 3 to 4 men inside another container. The nun was in the hospital for about 1 month before she recovered physically though she was not able to recover mentally, psychologically and spiritually and ended up leaving the monastic order as she was not able to face her violation of sanyas (nunhood).

¹¹ ZMCL to Lakshmi Malladi dated 25 Oct 2017, <https://kailasa.hindunation.org/0:/for%20UN%20report/Response%20by%20ZMCL%20to%20complaint%20filed%20by%20Ms.%20Laxmi%20Malladi.pdf>, in reply to NBSA complaint to Guru Ghantaal Zee News - <http://youtu.be/AmDr3wb7FPk>

¹² Several obscene morphed videos depicting Ma Nithyananditha and AIAT children were uploaded on social media by unknown groups.

¹³ Perpetrators of such crimes have directly commented on the online versions of such hate speech openly accepting that they have "hit nithyananda people", and also suggesting others should do the same by saying, "I request everyone to hit them nicely. Even don't show courtesy for women in nithyanandha ashram. They are the most dangerous." (Refer Profile with the name Parthasarathy J (The Rock) commented (comment id: UgzPVRI09bZwNd_IaUF4AaABAg), "I have hit one nithyanandha people when they try to encourage near pallavaram. I request everyone to hit them nicely. Even don't show courtesy for women in nithyanandha ashram. They are the most dangerous" in the video <https://youtu.be/eRTYu2xguG8>). This clearly shows how such hate speech and misinformation is directly causing harm to the life and dignity as a person

- The misinformation campaign by Discovery+ led by Hindumisic implants like Sarah Landry and Janardhan Sharma is not merely limited to incitement of hatred but is inclining to incitement to genocide, an international crime. Thus Discovery+ is actively participating in an international racist misinformation campaign to incite genocide against the AdiShaiva Vellalar minority aboriginal indigenous agricultural tribes, leading to their persecution. Direct and public incitement to commit genocide is forbidden by the Genocide Convention (1948), Article 3(c) and an international crime. Internationally the incitement to genocide is classified as an “inchoate crime” where proof of result is not necessary for the crime to have been committed, only that it had the potential to spur genocidal violence. Yet the OTT platforms refuse to delete the content.
- **Identify promising approaches and make recommendations for promoting and protecting women’s and girls’ human security, through addressing their condition of poverty and socioeconomic inequality due to systemic gender-based discrimination.**

towards the disciples and devotees of temples of the Nithyananda Sangha (spiritual fraternity). And therefore attracts Section 95 of the Code of Criminal Procedure as such unlawful acts are punishable under Section 124A or Section 153A or Section 153B or Section 292 or Section 293 or Section 295A of the Indian Penal Code.

The SPH explains how Hinduism recognizes 11 genders¹⁴. Gender is the totality of our identification with the physical body, psychological layer, physiological existence, and our will about us. How we feel with the totality of all these four put together is our gender. The various permutations and combinations of gender identification in the physical level, physiological level, psychological level, and will (Aham - the individual consciousness) make up the 11 genders.

The 'Pratyagatma Chaitanya', the individual consciousness, has a freedom to align our gender identification in the level of psychology, physiology and physical. By our will power we can make or change our gender completely, even physically¹⁵. In AIAT a child starts learning about the 11 genders and what gender (s)he feels comfortable with in the physical, physiological, psychological and conscious levels.

¹⁴ Spiritual discourses by the Supreme Pontiff of Hinduism on gender fluidity and the eleven genders by the SPH - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CxBjGq-jGM4&t=103s>, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZtWMsoS3plA&t=49s>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6bDe4uRu27c>

The Supreme Pontiff of Hinduism Speaks on His Gender - [No identity of male or female](#) , [Body is male but consciousness is beyond gender](#), [An enlightened person knows no gender](#), [Scientific findings on the 'Enlightened' state](#), [Nithyananda: I am not a Man?!](#) , [Swamiji, your image seems to shift between male and female. Why?](#)

Scriptural References on Gender Fluidity and Non-Binary Genders -

[śvetāśvataropaniṣad 5.10](#)

नैव स्त्री न पुमानेष न चैवायं नपुंसकः।

यद्यच्छरीरमादत्ते तेने तेने स युज्यते॥

naiva strī na pumāneṣa na caivāyaṁ napuṁsakaḥ |

yadyaccharīramādatte tene tene sa yujyate | |

Not woman is He, nor man either, nor yet sexless; but whatsoever body He takes, that confineth & preserveth Him.

[Srimad Bhagavatam 8.3.24](#)

स वै न देवासुरमर्त्यतिर्यङ् न स्त्री न षण्ढो न पुमान् न जन्तुः ।

नायं गुणः कर्म न सन्न चासन् निषेधशेषो जयतादशेषः ॥ २४ ॥

sa vai na devāsura-martya-tiryāṅ

na strī na ṣaṅḍho na pumān na jantuḥ

nāyaṁ guṇaḥ karma na san na cāsan

niṣedha-śeṣo jayatād aśeṣaḥ

He is neither demigod nor demon, neither human nor bird or beast. He is not woman, man, or neuter, nor is He an animal.

He is not a material quality, a fruitive activity, a manifestation, or non-manifestation. He is the last word in the discrimination of "not this, not this," and He is unlimited. All glories to the Supreme Personality of Godhead!

[Manusmṛiti 3.49](#)

पुमान् पुंसोऽधिके शुके स्त्री भवत्यधिके स्त्रियाः ।

समेऽपुमान् पुं स्त्रियौ वा क्षीणेऽल्पे च विपर्ययः ॥ ४९ ॥

pumān puṁso'dhike śukre strī bhavatyadhike striyāḥ |

same'pumān puṁ |striyau vā kṣīṇe'lpe ca viparyayaḥ | | 49 | |

A male child is born when the man's seed is in excess, and a female child when the woman's (is in excess); when the two are equal, there is born either a non-male or a boy and a girl; when it is weak and small in quantity, there is a failure (in conception).

[Śatarudra-saṁhitā of Maha Shiva Purana](#)

nandīśvara uvāca I

śṛṇu tāta mahāprājña vidhikāmaprapūrakam I

arddhanārīnarākhyam hi śivarūpamanuttamam

Nandīśvara said:

O dear one of great intellect, please listen to the description of Śiva's form half-male and half-female, than which there is nothing more excellent and which completes the work of the Creator.

¹⁵ The great Hindu spiritual master, Sri Ramakrishna Paramahansa, demonstrated it. In Bengal, there is a particular group of people who believe that Lord Krishna is the only man and those who follow Him are all women no matter their sex. They look to Krishna as their beloved. They feel so intensely about this relation that even the men dress like women. The enlightened mystic from Bengal, Ramakrishna Paramahansa, followed this path also for six months. The hallmark of this great Master, Ramakrishna Paramahansa, was that whatever he did, it was with totality and intensity. He used the same clothes as women not only at night, but also during the day because he felt he could not be one person during the day and another during the night.

There was another great yogi, Madana Gopala Swami, also called Natana Nayagi Swamigal, who lived in South India. With his will power he just manifested all the female characters in his system.

(S)he should start exploring the multiple permutations and combinations and discover in which combination (s)he feels “I know me” and manifests her/his highest possibilities and highest powers.

The solutions for socio-economic inequalities is empowering women with the right education, science of superconsciousness as has been proven by many powerful Hindu women.

We have many examples in Hinduism of powerful women like Rudramadevi, Ahilyabai, Jhansi Rani, Venambamba, Karaikal Ammaiyar.

Reviving the ancient Hindu principle of Divine feminine empowerment is the time-tested solution for social and economic inequalities to dissipate.

- **In which way are girls and women living in poverty or experiencing a situation of economic and social marginalization/disadvantage exposed to threats or risks in your country/region? In particular, in terms of:**
 - **having difficulty with accessing social security, health care, housing, water, food, education, employment.**
 - **being in a situation of homelessness or experiencing social exclusion and economic ‘unfreedom’**
 - **facing violence or discrimination, or stigmatization due to living in poverty**
 - **lacking access to justice and reparations for violations of their rights**
 - **facing undue/disproportionate or excessive criminalization for different causes**

AIAT as a tribe fundamentally respects women as embodiments of the divine mother Goddess¹⁶. AIAT women from various walks of life - women, female monks, and especially minor girls who pursue religious studies to become nuns - have been targeted in many ways and using various means:

- Shaming of child rape victims by media¹⁷
- Shaming and sexual objectification of women and girls by media¹⁸

¹⁶ “नवम्यामेकवर्षादिनववर्षान्तकन्यकाः । बाला शुद्धा च ललिता मालिनी च वसुन्धरा । सरस्वती रमा गारी दुर्गा च नव कात्तितः ॥२७॥” *“In the same order upto the ninth day of the fortnight girls from one to nine years respectively should be worshipped as usual. These nine girls respectively are named as : 1. Bālā, 2. Sudbā, 3. Lalitā, 4. Mālini, 5. Vasundharā, 6. Sarasvati; 7. Rama, 8. Gauri, and 9. Durga .”* Kularnava Tantra, 10th Ullasa, verse

¹⁷ In 2009, a twelve-year-old AIAT girl was kidnapped and sexually assaulted by a Neo-Hindutva extremist. The US courts sentenced the child rapist to 57 months imprisonment (State of Washington v. Vinay Keshavan Bharadwaj (Case No.10-1-10009-8 SEA)). This did not remedy the damage. The child rapist filed several vexatious litigations in India and the US. In the US, these false allegations by the child rapist, such as calling the child a “liar”, and her parents and community part of a “brainwashing”, “cult” etc., were all rejected by the court with a penalty for malicious litigation with cost (Superior Court Of the State California, County of San Bernardino, Vinay v. Nithyananda Foundation CIVRS 1013793, 4 April 2013, nithyananda.org/sites/default/files/news/vinay%20bharadwaj%20order%20for%20attorney%20fees.pdf). This did not deter the neo-Hindutva media from victimizing the child with hours of hate speech on television, for which the deep state controlled Samaya TV was penalized USD 5 Million by a US court (Life Bliss Foundation vs Samaya TV in CIVRS 1410615 filed in the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, order dated 8 Dec 2017 <https://nithyanandatruth.org/2017/12/10/5-million-judgement-against-samaya-tv-by-usa-court-for-defamation-of-his-divine-holiness-nithyananda/>). Even this has failed to redress the situation.

¹⁸ In the last decade, especially in India, there has been an alarming trend in the mainstream media and social media of sensational screening and manufacture of disinformation and hate speech that is marginalizing minority communities, especially targeting women (<https://www.thequint.com/news/webqoof/explained-why-fake-news-misinformation-around-women-more-than-men>) with the use of image morphing (scroll.in/latest/877007/network-of-women-in-media-demands-immediate-end-to-online-vilification-of-journalist-rana-ayyub) and deep-fake videos

- AIAT as a tribe fundamentally respects women as embodiments of divine mother Goddess¹⁹, inspite of the smear campaign on AIAT women. Many AIAT girls who have now grown up to become nuns, had grown up in the lap of the SPH Nithyananda Paramashivam and strongly relate with Him not just as a Guru but a father figure also. As per the law in India Hindu nuns are allowed to have the name of their Guru in the place of their father in their passports. The media targeted AIAT minor girls by publishing their pictures in the national newspapers with vulgar captions²⁰. Young AIAT female monks were sexually linked with their Guru (spiritual guide and leader), the SPH, by entire cover page and several pages of yellow tabloids being dedicated to malign sacred sentiments of disciple hood.²¹

(<https://www.newindianexpress.com/nation/2013/sep/03/Channel-ordered-to-apologise-to-Ranjitha-512987.html> ; <https://www.deccanherald.com/content/355108/bccc-tells-channel-apologise-airing.html>) and minor girls (The media targeted AIAT minor girls by publishing their pictures in the national newspapers with vulgar captions (2 Feb 2011, DNA India, "After Ranjitha, Nithya claims sex video was not of him", the picture shows a minor AIAT girl's picture. This news clip caused victimization of the child in school and neighbourhood for being captured in a vulgar news item while cheering for the SPH). Young AIAT female monks were sexually linked with their Guru (spiritual guide and leader), the SPH, by entire cover page and several pages of yellow tabloids being dedicated to malign sacred sentiments of disciple hood. The media published fake interviews of AIAT actress Ranjitha defaming her for being a disciple of the SPH. Nakkheeran Gopal and other media heads pressured Ranjitha to commit suicide and circulated false news of the same in media as a rumor (<https://www.mangaloretoday.com/titbits/It-rsquo-s-my-offering-to-Swamiji-Ranjitha.html>). The senior and aged female AIAT monks who used to attend phone calls of devotees seeking spiritual counseling were faced to pick up phone calls demanding prostitution from them. Several media houses continue to publish such defamatory articles, causing marginalization of the AIAT women and girls, and dangerously inciting mob violence and rape against them. In India, the deep state backed media ran 17,000 hours of hateful programs marginalizing AIAT actress Ranjitha, AIAT nuns, AIAT women, and girls who had been raped by deep state militants. The media publicly addressed them as "brainwashed", "sodomized disciples", "witches", "prostitutes", "cult worshippers", (child) "sex slaves", and also published violence-inciting prejudicial narratives. On 18 Jan 2018, young female nun Ma Nithyananditha received death threats over the phone by fans of V. Ramasamy ("Tamil lyricist Vairamuthu gets Padma Bhushan". Business Standard), Ma Nithyananditha had voiced out against defamatory sexualization of Hindu female saint Aandal by V. Ramasamy and politically owned media. Several obscene morphed videos depicting Ma Nithyananditha and other AIAT children were uploaded on social media by followers of Ramasamy. Many AIAT girls who have now grown up to become nuns, had grown up in the lap of the SPH Nithyananda Paramashivam and strongly relate with Him not just as a Guru but a father figure also. As per the law in India Hindu nuns are allowed to have the name of their Guru in the place of their father in their passports ([news18.com/news/india/govt-appeases-sadhus-by-allowing-gurus-name-instead-of-parents-in-passport-1326843.html](https://www.news18.com/news/india/govt-appeases-sadhus-by-allowing-gurus-name-instead-of-parents-in-passport-1326843.html)). It is extremely traumatizing for these girls to be sexually linked with the SPH by the Indian media. Hate speech such as "Hang the Sin Swamis (Hindu monks and nuns" was spread (5 March 2010 - Headlines Today - 8:20PM - Hang the Sin Swamis (Hindu monks). Such targeted persecution of Hindu nuns has been done. On 18 Jan 2018, young female nun Ma Nithyananditha received death threats over the phone by fans of V. Ramasamy, Ma Nithyananditha had voiced out against defamatory sexualization of Hindu female saint Aandal by V. Ramasamy and politically owned media. Several obscene morphed videos depicting Ma Nithyananditha and other AIAT children were uploaded on social media by followers of Ramasamy. This is not limited to female religious leaders of AIAT but is aimed at destroying the rights of indigenous female spiritual seekers and leaders. Vexatious litigations have been used to persecute female Hindu spiritual leaders of AIAT on absurd allegations of indecent dressing booking it under anti-superstition laws (<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/india-others/new-complaint-lodged-against-godwoman-radhe-maa/>).

¹⁹ "नवम्यामेकवर्षादिनववर्षान्तकन्यकाः । बाला शुद्धा च ललिता मालिनी च वसुंधरा । सरस्वती रमा गारी दुर्गा च नव कान्तिताः ॥२७॥ " "In the same order upto the ninth day of the fortnight girls from one to nine years respectively should be worshipped as usual. These nine girls respectively are named as : 1. Bālā, 2. Sudbā, 3. Lalitā, 4. Mālini, 5. Vasundharā, 6. Sarasvati; 7. Rama, 8. Gauri, and 9. Durga ."

Kularnava Tantra, 10th Ullasa, verse 27, <https://archive.org/details/Kularnava/mode/2up>

²⁰(2 Feb 2011, DNA India, "After Ranjitha, Nithya claims sex video was not of him", the picture shows a minor AIAT girl's picture.

²¹ Tamil yellow Tabloid NAKKHEERAN edition with monk Ma Nithya Preetananda's full size picture

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- Targeted persecution of Hindu nuns and female religious leaders is not limited to the AIAT but is aimed at destroying the rights²² of indigenous female spiritual leaders.
- Intersectional sexual abuse²³ of AIAT nuns especially targeting those from socially marginalized communities - The AIAT nuns have faced sexual assaults^{24 25} that were live streamed on television channels as deserved treatment; the police did not register their cases either but they were arrested instead on charges of breach of peace.
- Lawfare - AIAT women framed in false cases

²² Vexatious litigations have been used to persecute female Hindu spiritual leaders of minority communities on absurd allegations of indecent dressing booking it under anti-superstition laws (<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/india-others/new-complaint-lodged-against-godwoman-radhe-maa/>).

²³ An AIAT female monk from Dalit origin, Ma Nithya Supriyananda Swami, has faced intersecting discrimination for multiple reasons (1) AIAT origin (2) Dalit (socially marginalized community) origin (3) Female monk (nun). On 9 May 2010, she and her team were addressed as “sex slaves” by Tamil yellow Tabloid writer Charu Nivedita (The media targeted AIAT minor girls by publishing their pictures in the national newspapers with vulgar captions (2 Feb 2011, DNA India, “[After Ranjitha, Nithya claims sex video was not of him](https://www.dnaindia.com/india/story/After-Ranjitha-Nithya-claims-sex-video-was-not-of-him-1077777)”, the picture shows a minor AIAT girl's picture. This news clip caused victimization of the child in school and neighbourhood for being captured in a vulgar news item while cheering for the SPH). Young AIAT female monks were sexually linked with their Guru (spiritual guide and leader), the SPH, by entire cover page and several pages of yellow tabloids being dedicated to malign sacred sentiments of disciple hood. The media published fake interviews of AIAT actress Ranjitha defaming her for being a disciple of the SPH. Nakkheeran Gopal and other media heads pressured Ranjitha to commit suicide and circulated false news of the same in media as a rumor (<https://www.mangaloretoday.com/titbits/It-rsquo-s-my-offering-to-Swamiji-Ranjitha.html>). She filed a defamation case against the magazine and writers, which was pending in the courts for a decade.

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Ma Nithya Jnanatmananda Swami watching her sister monks being raped and denied justice was forced to flee India because of blackmail by terrorists threatening her to withdraw the case. The case filed by the AIAT nun is still pending in courts as of 2021. In the same attack of June 2012, Ma Nithya Achalananda Swami was also sexually and physically assaulted by Ajith and other militants who groped her chest and recorded it on camera to blackmail her and used it to publicly shame her. The summons issued by the court for Ajith to appear has not been delivered by the police.

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- o Deep state elements in the state of Gujarat systematically destroyed²⁶ both the women only monastery of AIAT and indigenous school for AIAT girls through character assassination, physical demolition, the almost 3 months long illegal custody of the school women administrators. The AIAT rape victims when they approached the police were not heard and the cases of rape²⁷, defamation filed by them have been dismissed.
 - o In 2016 a press conference organized by a deep state element who had framed a false case against the SPH was witnessed by some male and female monks of the SPH in a public place. For this, a false case of disruption of the press conference and criminal trespass was filed by the deep state elements against the female monks of the Sovereign Order of Kailasa.
- **Are there any particular groups of women and girls most at risk or conditions that especially determine barriers for women and girls to access such rights and why**

²⁶ In October and November 2019, all women monastery and religious university (University) run by the AIAT community was a victim of disinformation campaign (https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Jfr6vF2WjvvnG9FTKZbIE53UgAapF8J186SeGnbZSMo/edit#slide=id.g8e5ab4191a_0_321) led by Republic TV controlled by a prominent businessman and member of the ruling party (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Republic_TV#Funding).

A false allegation was made that two adult women who are residents of the University were kidnapped, in spite of the fact that these women were making representation to police, media, and other government officials that they were not kidnapped.

On 15 November 2019, police conducted an illegal raid on the monastery and confirmed there was no case for kidnapping. These women, fearing that the police would coerce them into false testimony, left India during the media disinformation campaign and submitted sworn affidavits to the Indian High Commission as well. Subsequently, on 20 November 2019 the administrators of the University (two young women) were arrested and imprisoned for more than 3 months on false charges of kidnapping the two women, in spite of the evidence against the false allegations.

On 20 January 2020, a charge sheet was filed against the SPH accusing him of kidnapping the two women even though he was clearly not even in the same country (India) at the time of the alleged crime, and neither had he ever visited the state of Gujarat.

Between October and November 2019, about 50 minor children in the school run by AIAT in the same monastery were illegally detained and interrogated by the police and the officials of the CWC (Children and Welfare Commission) without the presence of their parents. The officials in plain clothes, without properly identifying themselves, barged into the campus of the school past midnight, woke up the minor girl and boy students, and questioned them with intimidation and illegal persuasion tactics. Some of the minor students were shown pornography, intimidated about their tradition, ridiculed for their traditional clothes, hairstyle, food habits, and force-fed non-vegetarian food when by their tradition they follow a strict vegetarian lifestyle. The children were traumatized by the defamatory and derogatory comments about their religious lifestyle. The parents filed a case against the police with the courts on March 6 2020 (<https://www.deccanherald.com/national/cops-probing-nithyananda-case-booked-for-showing-porn-to-children-812296.html>)

On 28 Dec 2019, the Monastery buildings were razed to the ground without any formal notification or right to respond. The owner of the building was illegally arrested, and other schools administered by her were closed down without due process in the middle of the school year.

In 2019 AIAT members from the USA submitted a report documenting these human rights violations against SPH and the AIAT community in India. On 6 December 2019, the media in India began running a misinformation campaign against SPH and AIAT and labelled them "traitors".

On 20 January 2020 fearing for the safety of one of the other administrators of the all women's religious university and monastery who moved to Nepal in the light of the above attacks was suspiciously killed in an automobile accident while other women heads of the University were seriously injured in the same. It is widely believed that the accident was orchestrated murder by Indian law enforcement authorities trying to chase the AIAT members in a foreign country and is currently under investigation.

²⁷ CC 599/2011 Addl Civil Judge and JMFC Ramanagara - Ranjitha Vs K Lenin
 CC 25289/2012 Addl Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Ramanagara - Nithya Supriyananda Vs Charu Nivedita
 PCR 35/2011 Addl Civil Judge and JMFC Ramanagara - Nithya Sahajathmananda vs K Lenin
 CS 346/2010 High Court of Madras - Dhyanapeeta Charitable Trust Vs Nakkeetran Publications

(such as by living in poverty, working in the informal labor market, unpaid care work or domestic work, migrant, asylum-seeker, refugee or stateless status, race, ethnicity, religion, age, gender identity, sexual orientation)?

The women, children, and young girls of the AIAT community are one of the most vulnerable targets of extremism. The AIAT explicitly rejects extremism of all types. The extremist militant elements are opposed to AIAT's stance when it comes to the rights of women²⁸, including otherwise marginalized Dalit women, and the rights of members of the LGBTQ+ and transgendered communities²⁹. The neo-Hindutva terrorists despise Hindu women in monastic and priestly roles³⁰. Two young Hindu nuns were forced to flee India as they were persecuted for adopting the Hindu monastic lifestyle³¹. The spiritual head of AIAT has publicly declared himself to be transcendental gender³² and possessing multiple gender components. The neo-Hindutva extremists see LGBTQ+ rights as immoral. The AIAT freely ordains women into Sannyasa (the monastic order), recognizes 11 genders, and performs specific temple rituals for gay marriage, as per more than 5000-year-old indigenous spiritual scriptures. The AIAT represents one of the most progressive ideologies and is a target of persecution by the Hindumisc extremists.

- **How would you say that structural obstacles, and ongoing phenomena or threats in your country (such as the Covid-19 pandemic, climate change, ongoing conflict, etc.) impact on risks for women and girls, particularly in the way women and girls access economic and social rights?**

Ancient Hindu economic treaties by Paramashiva (primordial Hindu divinity) describe three kinds of economic systems and their principles – (1) for things that do not perish by sharing – such as education and knowledge – Paramashiva recommends that no fee be charged³³, (2) for survival needs – such as food and healthcare – barter and charity are recommended³⁴, (3) for all other infrastructure development works, services, and commodities gold and conventional currency based transactions are allowed.

In KAILASA ecosystems, due to the implementation of Paramashiva's policies, the AIAT women and girls are not deprived of economic and social rights. During Covid-19 pandemic, temple-monastery complexes were opened to all, giving free access to the multi-layer quarantine system equipped with holistic health care, meditation, yoga, spiritual practices and counseling, organic agriculture for a blissful way of living.

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<https://www.nithyananda.org/photo-gallery/nithyananda-diary-30th-november-2018-nithyananda-peetham-bengaluru-aadhe-enam-uttamotam> pictures from daily rituals of ASMT temples showing ASMT nuns performing temple rituals which are ordained for all genders as per Hindu scriptures but [prohibited for women by the Hindutva extremists](#)

29 <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/madurai/transgenders-extend-support-to-nithyananda/articleshow/13159083.cms>

30 <https://www.newsclick.in/Hindutva-War-Women-gendered-face-saffron-fascism>

31 Hindu monks - Ma Nithyananditha, Ma Nithya Tattvapriyananda fled to escape police torture and enhanced interrogation aimed at forcing them to give a false confession. Ma Nithyananditha, Ma Nithya Tattvapriyananda jointly gave several video statements explaining their stand of why they wanted to continue their monastic life and how they were being harassed by the State Police to give false statements. They submitted four signed affidavits to the High Court of Gujarat from (i) Trinidad and Tobago, (ii) Virginia, (iii) Barbados, (iv) The High Commission of India of Kingston Jamaica, which the court finally accepted.²¹⁴ In their affidavits they also cited that their father had sided with highly influential neo-Hindutva politicians who were using the State Police to torture them into a false confession and their fair representation was impossible in India, owing to which they had no option but to flee India and submit their affidavits and video statements to [the High Commission of India of Kingston Jamaica](#) only which the courts finally accepted.

32 (i) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PwSYdVulzq0> ; (ii) Saakshi, 30 April 2010, Page : 11, Title : I am not a man ; (iii) Times of India, 30 April 2010, I'm not a man

33 (i) सर्वेषामेव दानानां ब्रह्मदानं विशिष्यते। वार्यन्नगोमहीवाससु। तिलकाञ्चनसर्पिषाम्॥४-२३३॥ Manusmriti 4.233; (ii) Yājñavalkya (1.212); (iii) Atismriti (340)

34 Mahabharata, Vanaparva (200.35 and 200.37)

These systems are still in practice in the modern-day, but grossly overlooked and not sufficiently studied with their close relation to mainstream economics. The WHO³⁵ and GISAID³⁶ provided early access to data regarding the virus - this is an example of an open knowledge-based economic policy where critical data about the virus was not monetized. Similarly, South Korea helped the USA access masks and testing kits, and there was a hope that this would lead to a reciprocal arrangement in terms of vaccines³⁷, which is like a barter-based model allowed in food and healthcare.

- **How does your institution/Government/organisation contribute to ensuring girls' and women's access to their basic economic and social rights in your national context? Are there particular issues, platforms or levels in which the State/your institution encourage their participation, inclusion and engagement and what role does it play?**
 - a. Free education for women and children in traditional school - gurukul
 - b. Life sciences education for women empowerment
 - c. Women nuns are provided a safe work and living environment and infrastructure, to work and live and achieve their goals
 - d. Joint families and community living for stable families
 - e. Society based on respect for women by recognizing them as embodiments of the Divine
 - f. Revival of the Hindu matrilineal society and its women-centric tradition in the Sovereign State of Kailasa

- **Could you refer to legal norms and policies for eliminating poverty, as well as for reducing economic inequality, such as taxation, debt and redistribution measures, or specific economic or social policies, and could you specify if they adopt a gendered perspective and/or if there are any specifically directed to women and girls?**
 - a. Microfinancing schemes for women self-employment
 - i. Self sufficiency through organic agriculture, Women empowerment schemes
 - ii. Women have 33% rights in the legislature, executive and judiciary of Kailasa.

- **Could you refer to any good practice or innovative measure or initiative that has helped advance women's and girls' socioeconomic human security?**
 - a. In Hinduism, young girls are worshipped from infancy as an incarnation of Divine mother Goddess as worship of it is considered to bring fortune and well-being³⁸. The SPH has also revived the indigenous female-centric enlightenment ecosystems based on the worship of the Cosmic Mother, hence empowering

³⁵ <https://covid19.who.int/table>

³⁶ Mahabharata, Vanaparva (200.35 and 200.37)

³⁷ <https://www.reuters.com/world/asia-pacific/return-favour-south-korea-looks-us-covid-19-vaccine-aid-2021-04-21/>

³⁸ एवं यः पूजयेद्देवि प्रतिवर्षं यतत्रतः । षण्मासं वा त्रिमासं वा मासे मासेऽथवा प्रिये ॥ ३७ ॥ तिस्रो वा पञ्चषा सप्त पूजयेद्देवताधिया । सर्वेश्वयसमृद्धात्मा स भवदावयोः प्रियः ॥ ३८ ॥ O My Beloved ! One who either every year or every six months, or every three months or every month worships three, five or seven young ladies or girls treating them as Devatās, obtains all splendours and also becomes a favourite of both of Us. Kularnava tantra, 10th Ullasa, Verse 37-38, <https://archive.org/details/Kularnava/mode/2up>
In ancient Hindu nations, some young girls, who cognized themselves as a manifestation of Divine Mother, chose to never marry any human and dedicated²⁷ themselves to the administration of Hindu temples and worship of the Deity (or God) of the temple. There were many such monastic traditions, such as Rudrakanyas (Daughters of Lord Rudra) and Devadasis.

indigenous women to embody the Divinity in their very flesh and be the role models for the rest of the modern-day women.

- b. The Sanyas Sampradaya (monastic order) established by the SPH freely ordains women and allows women to perform temple rituals. Women constitute the majority of the senior leadership in the SPH's mission. The SPH has also ordained men and women from the Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Dalit communities which have been discriminated and sidelined.
- c. Kailasa offers special care for pregnant women called En-pregnancy care which has benefited thousands of women worldwide³⁹. There have been zero incidences of preterm births in En-Pregnancy® care. En-pregnancy® births are known for blissful and painless birth experiences for women, which has been confirmed by the fact that (1) there have been zero incidences of epidural anesthesia in these natural deliveries, (2) shorter labor duration, (3) zero incidences of post-partum depression to date.
- d. The awakening⁴⁰ and manifestation of extraordinary powers are a core component⁴¹ of the AIAT scriptures⁴² and lifestyle and involve the guru⁴³ awakening one's kundalini energy⁴⁴ through Third Eye AwakeningSM methods experiencing Oneness with the Ultimate, Paramashiva. The manifestation of powers is achieved by awakening the non-mechanical parts of the brain, allowing such powers as healing of physical and mental ailments through channeling of cosmic energy and treating the body-mind as an energy continuum), levitation, materialization and scanning the body for illness⁴⁵, going beyond the need of sleep or food, remote reading, telescopic sight, telepathy, seeing through obstacles and barriers, ability to change one's weight and height, obtaining anything that one desires, and healing any desire, to just name a few.

- **How can women and girls participate in decision-making in this area?**

³⁹Prenatal stress has detrimental effects on both obstetric outcomes, fetal development, and the development of an individual later in life (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5706483>). Studies have shown pregnancy deaths to have doubled in humanitarian crises (<https://www.unfpa.org/resources/maternal-mortality-humanitarian-crises-and-fragile-settings>). Humanitarian crises such as the COVID-19 pandemic increase the difficulty to access antenatal and general healthcare as well as cause stress to the mother. Pregnancy deaths in rural settings have doubled in May 2021, in urban settings, it is even more acute (<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/05/23/opinion/india-covid-pregnant-women.html>).

The service is offered completely free. It involves special meditation and yogic processes supporting pregnant women during both – the prenatal and postnatal stages. Pregnant women have quarantined themselves in Kailasa's Preventive Quarantine centers to avail of this facility. Babies born in En-Pregnancy® care are born with extraordinary health, immunity, good weight.

⁴⁰ Awakening of the extraordinary powers or shaktis is through deeksha or initiation making the Shaktis (powers) a living experience for the recipient called Sākshi Pramāṇa.

⁴¹ The scriptural injunctions are Shāstra Pramāṇa are verified by the enlightened experiences of the seers or rishis and are called Āpta Pramāṇa, and their revival in the current day in their original, pure form is by the current living incarnation or avatar who brings to life the sciences as applied sciences through His own experiences or Ātma Pramāṇa.

⁴² [https://nithyanandapedia.org/wiki/Manifesting_Shaktis_Appendix_\(Book\)](https://nithyanandapedia.org/wiki/Manifesting_Shaktis_Appendix_(Book))

⁴³ iccha jñānā kriyāśakti traya netrayutam smaret | candraḥ sarvajñātārūpaḥ daśahatāḥ diśo daśa || His Three Eyes are to be remembered as symbolizing the three powers – Iccha, Jnana, Kriya, the power of Will, the power of Pure Wisdom, the power of Cosmic Action; the moon crescent denotes sarvajñāta, His power of all- knowing. ~ reveals Sadashiva in Srimat Kamika Agama, purva pāda, the primary Agama.

⁴⁴ Latent potential energy in every being

⁴⁵ [https://nithyanandapedia.org/wiki/Energetics_\(Book\)](https://nithyanandapedia.org/wiki/Energetics_(Book))

- a. Ancient Hindu scriptures constitutionally empowered women to participate and assert their views in legislative chambers⁴⁶. There were equal rights for men and women to get appointed as rulers and administrators⁴⁷.
 - b. Women in ancient Hindu nations had protected property rights⁴⁸. Gender equality was guaranteed per Hindu law, especially in matters of inheritance, succession, and property rights⁴⁹. It was not uncommon for kings to choose their female off-springs as successors⁵⁰. Queens had their own women led armies⁵¹.
- **Could you mention any concrete action adopted to promote and protect the economic and social human rights of women and girls?**

Kailasa nation has created an ambience where women naturally grew into leaders and hold 80% of the leadership roles. However, this also made them the primary target of the persecution aimed at the ASMT community at large. Hindu nuns who have been victimized have been rehabilitated overseas (outside of India) to relieve them of the pressure of the political elements that had persecuted them. International human rights agencies need to be sensitive to the needs of the indigenous communities like AIAT who are the victims of a cold genocide.

- **What would be your main recommendation to advance women's and girls' socioeconomic human security?**

(a) Study the use of media for negatively stereotyping women, girls and female monks

While the use of information and communications technology has contributed to the empowerment of women and girls, its use has also generated new forms of violence against women and girls. The use of media (both conventional and social) for negative stereotyping and persecution of women, girls and female monks, especially from marginalized communities should be studied, added to the scope of Women Observatories, and brought to check.

(b) Recognize other forms of hate speech

Apart from discrimination based on gender, race, sexual orientation, hate speech such as dehumanization and other forms of hateful and degrading expression of free speech should be brought under check by social media and internet intermediaries.

(c) International condemnation of deep-fake and other sophisticated smear campaigns

The victims of this new form of persecution, which involves deep-fake and sophisticated smear campaigns should be supported by condemnation of the violence and propaganda waged

⁴⁶ Atharvaveda 7.38.4 & 12.3.52, "Women should take part in the legislative chambers and put their views on forefront."

⁴⁷ Yajurveda 20.9

It was expected that queens participated in administration and politics as much as the king. Yajurveda 10.6 - In this mantra it is enforced that the wife of ruler should give education of politics to the others. Likewise the king do justice for the people, the queen should also perform her role.

Manu Dharma Shastra said, "*The society that respects women is a heaven. And where women are denigrated, even the noble actions go waste.*"

⁴⁸ Women had a common share on wealth of their family's wealth and an exclusive share on the wealth of senior female members of the family which male were not allowed to inherit. This exclusive women's wealth was called Stridhan. As per Hindu law, snatching women's wealth, especially exclusive wealth (Stridhan) was considered a great crime Manu's Hindu Law 3.52 "Those relatives who rob away or thrive on wealth, property, vehicles or dresses of a woman or her family are committers of Paap (sin)."

⁴⁹ Manu's Hindu Law Section XXVII Article 9.130, "A daughter is equivalent to a son. In her presence, there is no question of any one snatching away her right over the property."

⁵⁰ Hindu Law Article 9.127 "He who has no son may make his daughter in the following manner an appointed daughter (putrika), The (male) child, born of her, shall perform my funeral rites."

⁵¹ Yajurveda 16.44, "There should be a women army. Let the women be encouraged to participate in war."

against them. The use of deep-fake videos for targeting women should be brought to check and condemned internationally.

(d) Stop detribalization of indigenous girls in the name of modernization

Tribal and indigenous girls should be protected from detribalization and persecution by the State as highlighted in this report. This persecution is often difficult to understand as it waged in the guise of women empowerment and child protection, which is essentially a new form of the civilizing mission.