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NATIONAL SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION MONTH

Since 2010, January is declared as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month. January has been the month to acknowledge those **facing enslavement** and those who have escaped. Although slavery is commonly thought to be a thing of the past, human traffickers generate hundreds of **billions of money** in profits **by trapping millions of people** in horrific situations around the world. This month is also dedicated to raising awareness about human trafficking and **educating** the public about how to identify and **prevent** this **crime**.

Traffickers use violence, threats, deception, debt bondage, and other manipulative tactics to force people to engage in commercial sex or to provide labour or services against their will. During this month, we honour the efforts of governments, international organizations, **anti-trafficking entities**, law enforcement officials, survivor advocates, communities of faith, businesses, and private citizens all around the world to raise **awareness** about human trafficking and slavery.



MAKAR SANKRANTI

Every year Makar Sankranti is celebrated in January. This year the festival falls on 14 January. Makar Sankranti, also known as **Maghi or Makar Sankranti**, is an important Hindu festival and celebrates the sun's journey back into the northern hemisphere which is considered to be a **highly positive event**.

People celebrate the festival to bring in a feeling of **universal brotherhood** and **harmony** among people. It is also celebrated among farmers when they are happy with the produce they obtain in their fields and later celebrate this **harvest season** in the form of joy and get together on Makar Sankranti festival.



PONGAL

Pongal is a **thanksgiving** festival celebrated throughout Southern India. The word 'Pongal' is derived from Tamil literature and its literal meaning is '**to boil**'. Pongal is also the name of a **rice-based dish**, which is prepared for this festival.

Farmers would have paid off their debts and would have a good amount of cash in hand. Hence, this is the day to celebrate **prosperity and abundance**. It is a **harvest** festival and the only festival to follow the solar calendar. This festival is celebrated on the 14th of January every year.



INTERNATIONAL HUG DAY

Hugging, one of the **easiest** ways to show affection, is something people do with their loved ones all the time. National Hugging Day occurs on **January 21st** since 1986. The purpose of the day is to help everyone show more **emotion** in public. The only way to celebrate the day is by offering a hug to anyone and everyone you want.

National Hugging Day also helps people understand their **emotions**, as hugging makes feeling a more accepted practice and allows people to connect with one another on a more intimate level.



REPUBLIC DAY


Republic Day commemorates the date on which the **Constitution of India** came into effect on **26 January 1950**. The date of 26 January was chosen as the Republic day because it was on this day in 1930 when the Declaration of Indian Independence (**Purna Swaraj**) was proclaimed by the Indian National Congress as opposed to the Dominion status offered by the **British Regime**.

The main Republic Day celebration is held in the national capital, New Delhi, at the Rajpath before the President of India. On this day, **ceremonious parades** take place at the Rajpath, which are performed as a **tribute to India**; its unity in **diversity** and rich cultural heritage.

On the eve of Republic Day, the President of India distributes **Padma Awards** to the civilians of India every year. These are the second-highest civilian awards in India after Bharat Ratna.



CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Celebration of Life Day is celebrated on January 22 to **appreciate** life in all its wonders. It started as a day for people to celebrate their children and grandchildren; to recognize the **beauty** in creating. Now, it is a time to celebrate all living things. **Every** human life is precious, and today is the day to remind ourselves we are all lucky to be here and lead the lives we do.

Appreciate every other activity of their and get socially attached to the kids just like their friends. We need to celebrate the life which give us **happiness** in the form of children and grandchildren.

Help 6 y/o Lakshya, a burn victim to reshape his life again

Lakshya Singh, a 6-year-old boy was caught in fire during Diwali. A spark from the phooljhari (sparkles) lit up an entire bag full of firecrackers, and Lakshya's body caught fire. All his clothes got stuck to his body, causing immense pain and discomfort to the little boy. Lakshya's parents were terrified which this whole scenario and took him to the doctors.

Doctors have suggested multiple skin grafting surgeries costing Rs. 17,000/- to 18,000/- on daily basis. Lakshya's father is a security field officer with a monthly income of Rs. 16,000/-. He is tensed as with his monthly income he cannot save his child.

He urges for help as he cannot share the pain of his son but wants to relieve him from it.

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Providing quality education and proper nutrition support to the Tribal communities

NGO Hanuman Ashram Seva Trust has taken up the responsibility of providing education and nutrition support to destitute children from poor tribal families. According to some estimates, 600 million young people are living below the poverty line in India and the majority of these young people are illiterates as they do not have access to quality education due to several factors.

The kids miss school as they are busy helping their parents in their agricultural work and the kids from poorer tribal families lack nutrition due to insufficient dietary intake. Hanuman Ashram Seva Trust is a Mumbai based NGO working exclusively for the cause of tribals in the area of Education, Medical Relief and Gaushala for the last few years and requesting your support for this endeavour.

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Support me so that my kids can continue their studies

Aarti Kanojia and her family belong to a middle-class family with 2 kids, Kavya (7) and Yuvraj (5), and were living a normal life. Aarti Kanojia met an unfortunate accident that caused an injury to her leg. This stopped her from working and she lost her source of income. Aarti's husband works at a dispensary as a compounder and earns a minimum income that hardly supports their daily expenses. Their children's school fees remain unpaid. Aarti is getting notices from her children's school stating that her children will be expelled if the fees are not paid. But with the help of our donors, we were able to pay the fees for Kavya, and with the help from supporters, we will soon pay the fees for Yuvraj too.

Thank you to each and everyone who supported the Arti in her worst period.

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***Your Support has given Titli, a 7 year old heal
and helped her fly again!***



Titli Mondal, 7-years- 11- months-old girl from Kolkata, West Bengal. Titli started feeling a sharp pain in her right leg, which led to swelling and caused her massive discomfort. After being taken to the hospital, she was diagnosed with Cancer. For more than the past six months, she has gone through chemotherapy every 14-15 days, the cost for which is around Rs. 10,00,000/-.

The family had to borrow from several friends and relatives to meet this high treatment expense. They were forced to sell their gold and other belongings for their daughter's treatment.

To get better, she needed to undergo surgery to extract the tumour. With the help of our donors, the surgery was successful and Titli is now on the road to recovery.

Thank you for all for supporting this little angel.

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