

Office of the  
Addl. Director Genl. of Police,  
C.I.D., A.P. Hyderabad.  
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C.No. 21/DIG/WPC/CID/2003.

**CIRCULAR MEMO**

Sub: Trafficking of women and children - Certain instructions - Reg  
Ref : C.No.21/SP(WPC)/CID/202, Dt : 21-9-2002 of Addl.  
DGP, CID, AP, Hyd.

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In the meeting of the State Co-ordination Committee on Trafficking of women and children held on 3-2-2003 in the chambers of Chief Secretary, it was pointed out that majority of the cases booked were against the victims / sex worker U/s. (4) of ITP Act and not against the traffickers. Sec. (4) of ITP Act states that any person living on the earning of the prostitution of any other, person is liable for the offence under this section and not the victim who is indulging in prostitution for her own living. Thus the victim women cannot be booked under section (4) of the ITPA. Like-wise it was already pointed out in the memo C.No.21/SP(WPC)/CID/2002, Dt: 21-9-2002 of Addl. DGP, CID, AP, Hyderabad, that cases against women victims of sexual exploitation should not be booked U/s. (8) of ITPA for soliciting and only Pimps / Organisers / Traffickers should be booked. In spite of the instructions issued, cases are being booked against victims U/s. 8 of ITP Act by some unit officers. It should also be borne in mind that during any raids on a brothel house, if a minor girl is found a victim, a case should also be booked under rape i.e., 376 IPC against the male customers and traffickers, organizers and pimps.

Hence, all the Supdts. Of Police and Commissioners of Police are instructed not to book repeat not to book the victim women for soliciting. Our endeavour should always be to bring the traffickers and organizers to book. If, in future, any cases are booked against the women for soliciting, the explanation of the concerned officers be called for and action initiated against them. All Ss.P and Cs.P will acknowledge the receipt of this memo.

for ADDL. DIRECTOR GENL. OF POLICE  
C.I.D., A.P., HYDERABAD.

TO

All Supdts. Of Police, A.P.,

All Commissioners of Police, A.P. State,

Copy to Principal Secretary, Home Department, Govt. of A.P., Hyderabad for information.