Thank you for joining us on the Influencer journey. This month, as we mark the beginning of the new volume of the Influencer Bulletin, we would like to bring you our special issue bearing opinions, stories of hope and achievements, fact checks and campaigns shared by our 15 inspirational, grassroots partners in 10 states.

Join us as we celebrate their work in ensuring women and girls’ freedom from violence and discrimination, access to legal justice, grassroots leadership, rights and entitlements and freedom from economic dependence.

“There is a need to strictly implement the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 in both organised and unorganised sectors.”

AALI’s exhortation to the nation through media.

“Give us our rights, give us our jobs, give us our wages. We won’t stop until we get them.”

Around 300 women from ANANDI’s Panam Mahila Sangathan, a village women’s leadership group, participated in a rally to demand their MNRGEA rights.

“We see kids playing kabaddi everywhere, girls don’t really play. So we started a playgroup for girls who wanted to play kabaddi.”

The effect of Breakthrough India’s Taaron ki Toli programme in Haryana.

“I am only 17. Still studying. Why should I marry at such a young age? Why should I go against the law? I wish to study further and get a job first.”

Siddhi, a 17 year old, who learnt to fight for her rights at the young girls group in her village created by CORO.

“The plight of women litigants in India: Women victims of sexual offences and domestic violence are often the ones most let down by the legal process.”

Flavia Agnes of Majlis speaks.

“Sonbai of Solpuri Village in Alwar Rajasthan says most of the village would have got displaced due to indebtedness induced landlessness if SHGs had not been formed.”

Ibtada had mobilised SHGs as a means to empowerment.

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7 year old Rani, from Varanasi, India, a Girl Icon nurtured by Milaan Girl Icon Leadership Programme.

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Sanjog’s community based collective for survivors.

“The wayforward women who fail to build a better life, brighter future for their families are our teachers, sources of strength. Your courage is my capital.”

Mann Deshi Foundation founder Chetna Gala Sinha on winning Nari Shakti Puraskar.

“Women care about being included, but too often, they are the only conservative voice in the social business of digital encounters gone wrong are simply too deep.”

If IT for Change research insights.

“The plight of working Brirugiga in India: Women victims of sexual offences and domestic violence are often the ones most let down by the legal process.”

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“She shouldn’t be the one cowering and hiding her face. Her rapist should be.”

The mother of a minor girl who was raped multiple times in the past few years, speaking at the Jan Sahas Dignity March, emboldened by the presence of many other survivors and family.

“I want to build a better life, brighter future for my families. The hard-working rural women who toil to build a better life, brighter future for their families are my teachers, sources of strength. Your courage is my capital.”

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“I realised I had nothing to be ashamed of. The trafficker was guilty.”

Survivors of trafficking are bold leaders in Utthan, developing community-based collective for survivors.

“The women who have been strengthened must be the ones to lead.”

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