



“Preventing Honour Related Violence by education and dialogue through Immigrant NGOs”

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NAME OF METHODOLOGICAL TOOL

“Crossroads - Fighting forced marriages and honour based abuse”

TEDxGöteborg - Jasvinder Sanghera

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INTRODUCTION

The Guardian listed this woman as one of the world's 100 most Inspirational Women, Jasvinder Sanghera has been fighting forced marriages and honour based abuse - both in her native Britain and internationally. The charity Karma Nirvana she founded in 1993 has helped establish several refuge centers for South Asian men and women fleeing forced marriages. Her commitment stems from personal experience, after running away from home fourteen years old, faced with the prospect of a forced marriage.

In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, TEDx is a program of local, self-organized events that bring people together to share a TED-like experience. At a TEDx event, TEDTalks video and live speakers combine to spark deep discussion and connection in a small group.

In this TEDx video, Jasvinder opens up to the public and shares her story and mission.

DESCRIPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION

Main aim

This TEDx video reports a true story narrated by the proper victim of an attempt to forced marriage by her family. A true story told by the victim has a powerful impact on their audience, where a true testimony can bring more awareness and conciseness to who may be a victim or may be close to one.

This video captivates the audience, not only because of the shocking topic itself, but also because you hear the story from whom experienced it and get the chance to a real close-up. It is inspiring to listen to someone like Jasvinder where people can relate to, even in other types of problems.

Expected results

- Inform people about this reality.
- Raise public awareness.
- Empowerment of the target audience for taking attitudes.
- Creating critical thinking among people.
- Reflection and comprehension of the consequences of a forced marriage.

Implementation steps

It is important for the mediator to first speak briefly about honour related violence to contextualize the issue of forced marriage.

Afterwards, the mediator presents the TEDx video to all the participants.

After watching the video the mediator will launch some questions for reflection in order to start a debate throughout the group.

Questions may be such as:

1. Have you ever heard about *forced marriage* before watching this video?
2. How can *forced marriage* be seen as a form of *honor related violence*?
3. Why do you think this happens?
4. Why do you think it is so hard to combat the practice?
5. What are the consequences for the victims?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Source: Karma Nirvana

Official website: <http://www.karmanirvana.org.uk>

Link to the video: <http://www.karmanirvana.org.uk/videos/>

You may find other relevant information about Karma Nirvana - UK registered Charity.