

INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION

2014 Mid-Year Report



IJM

Urmila, rescued from slavery in India—read her story on page 10



IJM's Vision

**Rescue thousands.
Protect millions.
Prove that justice for
the poor is possible.**

International Justice Mission protects the poor from violence by partnering with local authorities to:



Rescue Victims

We find people who need rescue, and then partner with local law enforcement to bring them to safety.



Bring Criminals To Justice

We relentlessly pursue justice in court. We ensure that traffickers, slave owners, rapists and other criminals who prey on the poor go to jail so they cannot abuse, exploit or enslave others.



Restore Survivors

We help survivors of violence rebuild their lives by providing trauma therapy and ensuring survivors can return to school or find a job that gives dignity.



Strengthen Justice Systems

We provide training and support to police, judges, prosecutors and other authorities. We advocate for reforms that will keep the poor safe from being victimized in the first place.

In nearly 20 communities throughout the developing world, we fight everyday violence against the poor:

- SEX TRAFFICKING
- SLAVERY
- SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN
- PROPERTY GRABBING
- POLICE ABUSE OF POWER
- CITIZENSHIP RIGHTS ABUSE

The 2017 Vision Fund: Expanding IJM's Impact

Innovative supporters worldwide are joining IJM to build a future where the poor are safe enough to thrive.

2017 VISION FUND OUTCOMES

We will press forward to rescue the poor from violence and protect the vulnerable from abuse. Through support from our donors, by 2017, we will reach:

3000
victims relieved from injustice annually

22-25
field offices around the world

500
violent criminals restrained annually

10
Justice System Reform projects to measurably reduce violence

This impact in the field depends on a robust justice movement worldwide. Through support from our donors, we will:



ENGAGE LEADERS around the world across business, international development and government.



MOBILIZE 5,000 CHURCHES GLOBALLY to actively seek justice in their communities and internationally.



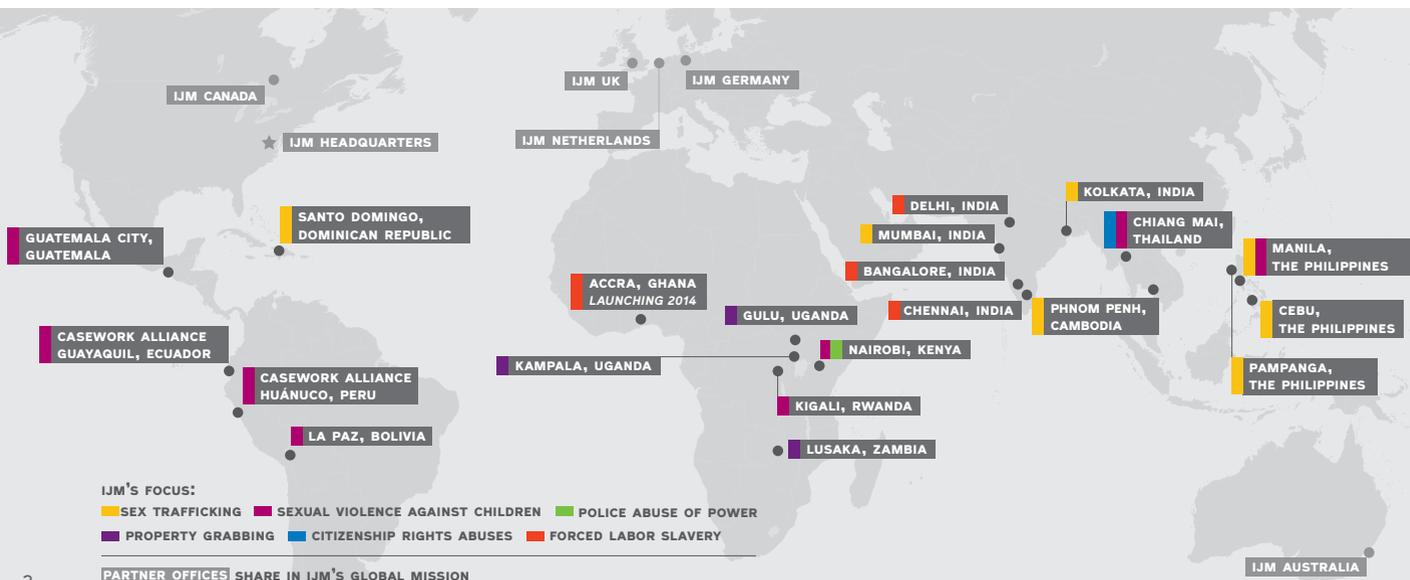
EQUIP THE NEXT GENERATION of strong leaders in the fight for justice.



ENHANCE IJM'S ORGANIZATIONAL SUSTAINABILITY so we are well-positioned to achieve our aggressive goals.

GLOBAL IMPACT

IJM protects the poor from violence in nearly 20 communities around the developing world.



2014 Progress



1,726 victims
of oppression
brought to safety



114 perpetrators
of violent crimes
restrained



4,074 survivors and
their families currently
receiving aftercare



1,000+ open cases

Numbers reflect January – May 2014

“I thank God for my IJM lawyer Luis and the psychologists Miriam and Delmi, who accompanied me throughout the legal process and with me in my restoration.

On behalf of the thousands and millions of victims and survivors that I represent who don't have a voice, thank you very much.”

– **Griselda,*** an IJM client who was raped by three men when she was 13. After five years of IJM's support, she received justice and is now thriving as she speaks up on behalf of other survivors.

Watch her story: IJM.org/Griselda-story

Highlights from the Field

January



This little boy stamps his fingerprint on a certificate legally declaring he is no longer a slave.

SOUTH ASIA

IJM Delhi rescues families in first-ever operation

In IJM Delhi's first rescue operation, children as young as 5 were among 33 people freed from a life of slavery in a brick factory. IJM Delhi is expanding our impact like never before: This strategic location in India's capital city allows us to partner with other anti-slavery organizations to bring rescue across nine states.

SOUTHEAST ASIA

Massive cyber-trafficking take-down makes international headlines



We supported a team of international law enforcement agencies to uncover and apprehend an international network of pedophiles abusing children online. The united effort resulted in 29 suspects arrested in 12 countries, and brought 15 Filipino children—the youngest only 6—to safety.



Ugandan sisters

AFRICA

Landmark conviction in Uganda

We secured a 26-month sentence, the longest yet in any IJM case in Uganda, against a man who forced his three sisters from their home and stole the property. The magistrate who issued the conviction said the sentence demonstrates that property grabbing is a crime that must be punished—a powerful statement in a community where property grabbing is often dismissed.

February



Undercover footage from a sex trafficking investigation

LATIN AMERICA

Groundbreaking investigation in the Dominican Republic

IJM's newest field office began a study that will document the prevalence of sex trafficking and ultimately ensure our work is effective. The benchmark study will be the first of its kind in the Dominican Republic.

SOUTHEAST ASIA

American pedophile receives milestone 210-year sentence

A retired U.S. Marine who was arrested in an IJM-supported investigation for systematically and sadistically abusing seven young girls in Cambodia received the maximum possible sentence in an American court this spring. The 210-year sentence sent a clear message to any American who would consider traveling abroad to sexually abuse children.

"The victims in this case are thriving survivors. They are academic achievers, sisters, friends, artists, travelers, and comforters. They have big dreams for their future and they empower others to stop trafficking and violence."

— IJM Cambodia Field Office Director

March



SOUTH ASIA

IJM invited to train over 100,000 Indian officials on human trafficking

The Indian government has invited IJM and two other NGOs to train all officials—including judges, prosecutors and the police force—in an entire state. For many officers, this may be the very first technical training on anti-trafficking procedures they have ever received, and it is a critical step in stopping this crime.

April



AFRICA

Ugandan police stations provide powerful new source of protection for widows and orphans



As of April 2014, IJM has provided training and investment for 11 police stations to launch official property grabbing prevention desks in the area where we work. Now, when

women report being chased away from their homes, police are taking the crime seriously. Since installments of the desks, police are reporting more victims of property grabbing coming forward; one official said, "People are so grateful that they are even returning to the police to thank them."

SOUTH ASIA

Landmark slavery conviction in Bangalore

In a country where you are more likely to be struck by lightning than go to jail for holding slaves, we secured a total seven-year sentence for an Indian slave owner. This is only the sixth conviction under the anti-slavery laws in the entire country, and it's the longest sentence for slavery ever recorded in India.

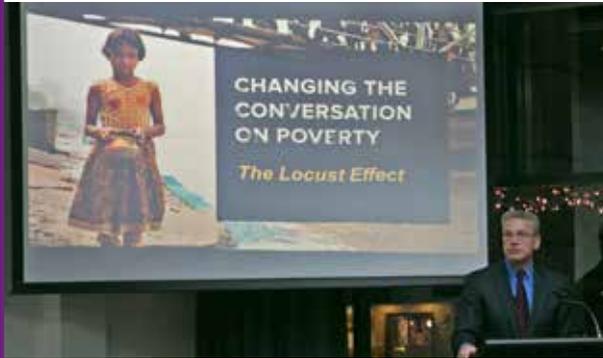
May

IJM elected to serve on Virtual Global Taskforce to fight online child sexual abuse

IJM was nominated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to present to this international taskforce on our work to rescue children being sexually exploited through child pornography. IJM was voted into the Virtual Global Taskforce as one of only a few prominent NGOs, along with numerous law enforcement agencies and international businesses.

Highlights from the Movement

January

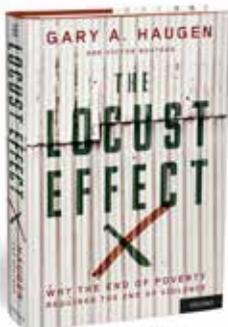


DAVOS, SWITZERLAND

IJM President addresses the issue of violence against the poor with global leaders at the World Economic Forum

For the fourth year, Gary Haugen represented IJM at a gathering of world leaders focused on developing insights, initiatives and actions to respond to current and emerging global challenges. During a forum co-sponsored by Microsoft Corporation, Gary introduced the concept behind his book, *The Locust Effect*.

February



The Locust Effect is released

IJM President Gary Haugen's newest book, *The Locust Effect*, is already changing the conversation on global poverty by exposing the way everyday violence relentlessly threatens the poor. The book was named a *Washington Post* bestseller and featured by the BBC, *The Economist*, *The New York Times*, *Forbes*, *Christianity Today* and many others.

March

US/GUATEMALA

Americans stand up for Guatemalan children

Thanks to the advocacy of IJM supporters across the country, 90 Members of Congress asked Secretary of State John Kerry to invest adequate resources in Guatemala's under-funded Sex Crimes Unit—a crucial investment to protect children.

WASHINGTON, DC

IJM presents our model to protect widows and orphans from land grabbing at the World Bank

IJM was invited to participate at a key gathering of land rights experts. We advocated for a sustainable response to protecting the poor by showing how IJM has equipped law enforcement and courts to defend vulnerable people through our System Reform project in Kampala, Uganda.

April



WASHINGTON, DC

More than a thousand pray for justice

IJM supporters from around the world came to Washington, DC to hear about the work and pray alongside IJM field leaders at our annual Global Prayer Gathering.



WORLDWIDE
Students Stand for Freedom

Thousands of students, representing 150 schools across 40 states and eight countries, stood on their campuses for over 20 hours to raise awareness of modern slavery through IJM's Stand for Freedom campaign.

WASHINGTON, DC
IJM testifies before Congress

IJM's Vice President of Regional Operations for Southeast Asia testified before the House Committee on Foreign Relations. He emphasized the critical importance of the State Department's anti-trafficking work, and pointed to the impact of IJM's projects in Cebu, the Philippines, and Phnom Penh, Cambodia, as examples of how the trafficking of minors can be dramatically reduced.

May

Global movement grows with launch of IJM's newest partner office in Australia

IJM Australia—our fifth IJM Partner Office—will share in IJM's global mission by generating awareness, mobilizing the church, building prayer support, raising funds, and providing strategy input, personnel and political influence to protect the poor from violence in the developing world.

What's next in 2014:



Child on Lake Volta

Opening a new field office in Africa

After conducting an investigation on Ghana's Lake Volta, we confirmed boys as young as 4 are enslaved and being exploited in the country's fishing business. Our new office in Ghana will partner with the government to rescue children from slavery and restore them to safety and security.



Mat-making business where Ragesh was enslaved

Discovering slavery in new industries in India

After rescuing thousands from slavery primarily in brick kilns, rice mills and rock quarries, we are responding to slavery in new industries, like this mat-making factory. Earlier this year, we rescued a man who had been tricked into slavery at age 14 and was forced to weave mats for the next 16 years.



Ragesh and his son leave a life of slavery

Leveraging expertise combating child pornography

As internet access expands in the Philippines, online child exploitation, including live streaming of sexual abuse, is on the rise. IJM will continue to help government authorities respond to this urgent threat.



MAKING HER VOTE COUNT AFTER A LIFETIME IN SLAVERY

At 75, she voted for the first time

Shreemya Ashok

NEW DELHI: Urmila Mohanand says she was intimidated by an Electronic Voting Machine. She stood in the polling booth in her village in Odisha a minute or two longer than normal "starting at 30" before she had the courage to press the button beside the candidate she had chosen.

In an election that has shot to prominence for the sheer number of first-time young voters, Ms. Mohanand exercised her franchise for the very first time at the age of 75. Dec-



Rescued bonded labourer Urmila Mohanand - PHOTO: MEETA AHLAWAT

empowered," she smiled. Her daughter, Madhuri, who was also a bonded labourer for most of her life, voted for the first time too. Her vote went to a candidate who promised employment. "There is no work in my village. The government's welfare schemes never reach us," she said. Currently, the family work as agricultural labourers and earn Rs.60 per day per head. There are nearly 20 million people who are in some form of slavery in this country, said IJM's Bandha 1947 campaign convener Shantana Dutta.

For some, casting a ballot means walking down the street or making a quick stop on the way to work. But for 75-year-old Urmila, voting in her first election took a lifetime.

When IJM met Urmila, the diminutive grandmother was trapped in a brick factory. She had been a slave for decades. Urmila worked 18 hours a day, molding clay into bricks, then balancing 10 or 12 on her head to stack into endless piles. Two of her daughters and eight of her grandchildren were being held with her. The family worked day after day, terrified of the violence they would face if they dared to rest.

But in January 2013, Urmila and 148 others were rescued from the brick factory. And this April, as a free Indian citizen, Urmila voted for the first time ever.

She got her voter identification card just in time, and her story made the front page of one of India's leading newspapers. Once forgotten and silenced by slavery, she is now known across her country. Urmila's voice has been heard.



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INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION is a global organization that protects the poor from violence throughout the developing world. IJM partners with local authorities to rescue victims of violence, bring criminals to justice, restore survivors, and strengthen justice systems.

Highlighted as one of 10 non-profits "making a difference" by U.S. News and World Report, IJM's effective model has been recognized by the U.S. State Department, the World Economic Forum and leaders around the globe, as well as featured by *Foreign Affairs*, *Forbes*, *The Guardian*, *The New York Times*, *The Times of India*, *The Phnom Penh Post*, National Public Radio, and CNN, among many other outlets.



IJM meets all the Standards for Charity Accountability of the Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance.

**A pseudonym has been used for the protection of this IJM client; she has given consent to share her image. All text and images © 2014 International Justice Mission.*