

SEMINAR ON ELIMINATION OF BONDED LABOUR SYSTEM HELD

The National Human Rights Commission in association with the Department Home , Government of Goa organized one day seminar on “Elimination of Bonded Labour System” at Secretariat Porvorim today.

Justice, Shri D.Murugesan who was the chief guest of the function inaugurated the seminar by lighting the ceremonial lamp.

Shri Murugesan in his inaugural address exhorted the stakeholders to work to eliminate the system of bonded labour in any of its form. The form of bonded labour have changed with the change in time. This is antihuman practice and is against dignity of labour. The stakeholders should endeavour to arrest this menace he added.

Shri Murugesan further said that it will not be proper to say that there is no system of bonded labour in Goa. Illegal labour system in any form may it be exploitation or ill treatment to workers in massage parlours , human trafficking , child labour, child abuse are some of the forms of bonded labour. Labour which are needed to be stopped.

The Chief Secretary Shri Dharmendra Sharma, IAS speaking on the occasion said that the Government have enforced laws to stop the system of bonded labour. In Goa, he said bonded system of labour is not in practice.. Therefore the concerned authorities have to keep strict vigil to stop flow of migrant labourers to avoid Goa from becoming center of exploitation.

The Director of NHRC, Shri Sanjay Dube in his address explained about various provisions of laws which are in practice to stop bonded labour system and for making their rehabilitation.

Chairman of Goa Human Rights Commission, Shri Anand Salkar in his address gave overview of the system of Kul-Mundkar in Goa.

Shri P.S. Reddy welcomed the guests while Dr. Dayanand Rao compered the function.