HUMAN TRAFFICKING
BRIDGING THE DATA GAPS

HUMAN TRAFFICKING INCIDENTS FAR EXCEED TRAFFICKING REPORTS

OFFICIAL TRAFFICKING NUMBERS IN STUDY SITES REPRESENTED AS LITTLE AS 6% AND AT MOST 18% OF THE POTENTIAL TOTAL TRAFFICKING VICTIMS

3 MAIN CHALLENGES TO IDENTIFYING TRAFFICKING

1. LACK OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING
2. RECOGNIZING TRAFFICKING VICTIMIZATION
3. DIFFICULTY IDENTIFYING OFFENSES

RESEARCHERS’ RECOMMENDATIONS

TRAIN
TRAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT ON IDENTIFYING TRAFFICKING CASES

COOPERATE
LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PROSECUTORS WORK TOGETHER TO INVESTIGATE HUMAN TRAFFICKING

BUILD
BUILD PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND NON-TRADITIONAL GROUPS

SOURCE: Gaps in Reporting Human Trafficking Incidents Result in Significant Undercounting, Aug 2020

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