

ADF INDIA
**ANNUAL
REPORT**
2024-25





ADF INDIA

ADF India is an alliance-building legal advocacy organisation that protects fundamental freedoms and promotes the inherent dignity of all people.

www.adfindia.org
askme@adfindia.org

The contents of this annual report are of a sensitive nature and intended solely for our ministry partners and select audience. Unauthorized sharing, reproduction, or dissemination of any part of this document is strictly prohibited. Please handle the information with the utmost confidentiality and discretion. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

NO ONE SHOULD BE TARGETED FOR THEIR FAITH



CONTENTS

Message From The National Director	02
Tracking Violence Against Christians In India	03
Impact In Numbers	04
A Year In Impact In Legal Advocacy	05
Case Stories	07
Campaign Against Anti-conversion Laws	12
Strategic Engagement With The Media	14
ADF India Advocacy Engagements	16
Mobilizing Allies For Religious Freedom	19
Empowering Communities Through Legal Training	21
International Day Of Prayer For The Persecuted Church	22
Stand With Christians Being Targeted For Their Faith	23
Financial Report	24

OUR MODEL FOR LASTING CHANGE



SEEKING JUSTICE FOR OUR CLIENTS

We advocate for our clients in courtrooms across the country alongside an alliance of lawyers.

TARGETING THE ROOT CAUSES

We engage at the highest levels of law and governance, securing precedent-setting victories that benefit everyone.



RAISING UP FUTURE LEADERS

We mobilise the leaders of tomorrow to bring about structural, systemic change for future generations.



Dear Friends,

God's word shows us that there are moments in time when ordinary men and women achieve the extraordinary, not because they are the most powerful or prepared, but because their hearts are willing and their faith is anchored in something far greater. This past year, we have seen that same courage across India in the face of unjust imprisonment, disrupted worship, and attempts to silence their witness as believers. ADF India stood with them defending their rights, amplifying their voices, and pressing forward with conviction.

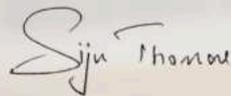
It is in the spirit of this unwavering faith that I share with you the ADF India Annual Report for 2024-2025—a year marked by fierce adversity, remarkable breakthroughs, and the undeniable hand of God through every challenge we faced, together. In courtrooms, on the streets, and in media, ADF India allies have stood firm in proclaiming this fundamental truth: faith is not a crime, and religious freedom is a constitutional right guaranteed to all.

This report is a testament to the tireless work of our allied lawyers, activists, and partners who continue to stand for justice in the face of growing opposition. It also points to a growing nationwide movement, one that defends religious freedom, spreads legal awareness, and raises a strong voice for truth across India and beyond.

The mission is far from over. As hostility intensifies and laws are misused to suppress faith, we must press forward with greater resolve and deeper compassion. Let us walk boldly together, bringing light to the darkest places and hope to those who suffer for their faith. Thank you for your prayers, your generosity, and your voice. You are a vital part of this mission.

Together, we can keep the door open for the Gospel in India.

In His service,



SIJU THOMAS
National Director

“

By God's grace and through your support, more than 670 individuals were released from jail or illegal detention. Churches that were forcibly shut have reopened. Innocent Christians falsely accused under anti-conversion laws were acquitted.

”



TRACKING VIOLENCE AGAINST CHRISTIANS IN INDIA

Apr 2024 - Mar 2025

The data includes physical violence, murder, sexual violence, intimidation and threats, social boycott, damage to religious properties, desecration of religious symbols, and disruption of prayer services.

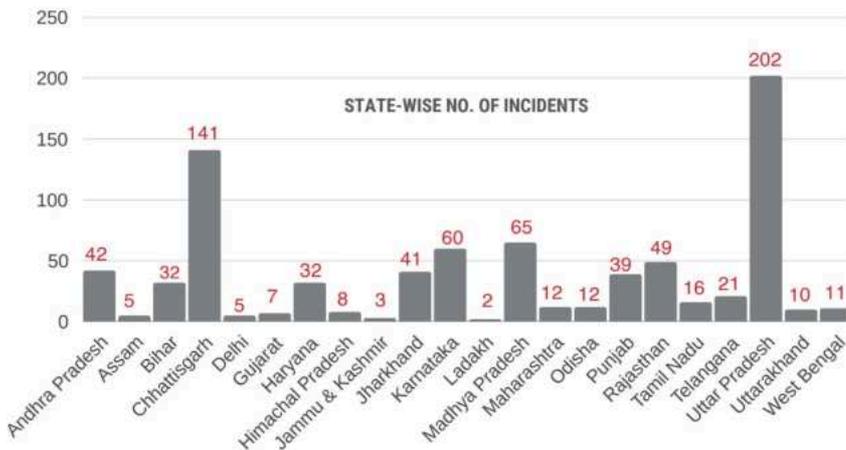


SPECIFIC VICTIM CATEGORIES

WOMEN - 143

DALITS - 244

TRIBALS - 304



CATEGORIZATION OF VIOLENCE

154
PHYSICAL ASSAULT

196
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

746
INTIMIDATION, THREATS & HARASSMENT

290
RESTRICTIONS ON RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY

ADF INDIA

IMPACT IN NUMBERS

Apr 2024 - Mar 2025



672

No. of Christians released
from jail/detention



28

No. of Churches remain open
through our combined efforts

2,429 †

Worshippers once blocked from gathering are now free to worship.

56

No. of people acquitted through **17 WINS** in anti-conversion trials

49

No. of FIRs registered against individuals/mobs that attacked Christians

A YEAR IN IMPACT

ADF INDIA LEGAL ADVOCACY

Our legal interventions this past year consistently upheld the rights of Christians facing hostility, false accusations, and systemic discrimination. Here's a quarter-wise snapshot of the outcomes.



Q1 APR-JUN '24

Prayer meet ban lifted in Indore, Madhya Pradesh

Supreme Court allowed a Christian prayer meeting organized by the National Prayer Ministry Alliance where over 15,000 people were to gather. Authorities had shut it down based on false allegations of forceful conversions planned at the event.

Burial with dignity allowed, Chhattisgarh

Obtained a High Court order allowing a Christian family to bury their loved one after local officials and extremists denied burial due to the deceased's faith. The court's intervention ensured the burial was carried out under police protection.



Q2 JUL-SEP '24

Bail granted in Anti-Conversion case in Uttar Pradesh

Secured the release of a pastor and his wife after 34 days in jail under the UP Anti-Conversion Law, following false allegations of forced conversions.

Compensation granted in West Bengal

Secured ₹50,000 compensation for a Christian woman, her visually impaired husband, and their son after they were attacked and displaced by villagers for hosting a prayer meeting in Hooghly. The family has since returned home and is living peacefully.

Acquittal in Bareilly Anti-Conversion Case; Court orders action against police

Secured acquittal for two Christian men falsely accused of forced conversion. The court condemned police misconduct and ordered legal action against the complainant and the officers involved.



Q3 OCT-DEC '24

Birthday celebration termed as forced conversion event in Uttar Pradesh—All acquitted from case

Successfully defended three Christians falsely accused of forced conversion after participating in a birthday prayer gathering. Though they faced police assault, threats, and religious slurs, the court fully acquitted them, affirming their innocence and exposing the misuse of the law.

Acquittal in Chhattisgarh

Secured the acquittal of five Christians who were brutally attacked and then falsely implicated by fellow villagers for practicing their faith. Despite suffering serious injuries, they were made to endure a prolonged legal battle based on fabricated charges.

Q4 JAN-MAR '25

FIR registered after a Pastor was assaulted for requesting a Minority Certificate in Haryana

Registered an FIR in favour of a pastor who was assaulted and unlawfully confined by a government official while applying for a minority certificate. The official's hostility escalated upon learning of the pastor's faith, resulting in physical violence and life-threatening intimidation. The pastor has since successfully obtained the certificate.

Pastor in Karnataka acquitted from a false blasphemy case

Successfully defended a pastor who had responded to a request for prayer—a request that turned out to be a setup. The visit, intended to provide spiritual support, was misrepresented, leading to false legal charges. The court recognised the lack of evidence and acquitted the pastor.

Order on intrusive survey of churches in Andhra Pradesh rescinded

Advocated for the withdrawal of a state directive that called for verifying the permission status of all churches across Andhra Pradesh. After receiving a memo from an ally, the team engaged with state officials and submitted a formal representation. The Commissioner of Panchayats later confirmed the directive's withdrawal.

Case Story

CHRISTIAN FALSELY ACCUSED OF MURDER ACQUITTED IN JHARKHAND



In a heartening testament to unwavering faith amidst adversity, we share the remarkable journey of a Christian man from Jharkhand. Despite facing a tumultuous legal battle spanning over three years, his steadfast commitment to his beliefs ultimately led to a triumphant victory.

In early 2020, leaders in a village in Khunti, Jharkhand, issued a chilling ultimatum demanding that all Christians undergo Ghar Wapsi (conversion to the old religion), or leave the village. Fifteen Christian families, fearing for their safety, packed their belongings and fled their ancestral homes. Among them, 30-year-old Uday (name changed), his wife, and two young children chose to remain back in the village.

Tragically, in November 2020, Uday's wife passed away after a prolonged illness. Religious extremists in the village refused her burial within the village grounds due to their differing religious beliefs, forcing Uday to bury her outside the village. Following this, Uday and his children faced ostracism, with villagers threatened with a hefty fine of Rs. 10,000 should they engage with

Uday's family. On December 13, 2020, Uday was summoned to a village council meeting attended by over 600 people.

“We will tear your body limb from limb and throw you into the jungle if you do not renounce Christianity”, the angry mob threatened.

Uday's own parents and siblings offered him no support, as they too despised his Christian faith.

Despite enduring threats like these over the years, Uday had remained steadfast in his faith. Seven years ago, he had abandoned his former life as a priest of another faith after witnessing the healing of his seriously ill daughter through Christians praying for her.

Following the village meeting, Uday and his children fled to a neighboring village with the help of a local pastor. ADF India allied lawyers met with him in January 2021 to assist in filing a



complaint with the police. However, no action was taken, as the police were under pressure from the religious extremists.

Despite their relocation, the threats persisted. The extremists fabricated charges, accusing Uday and his pastor friend of murdering an elderly villager, orchestrating the crime to frame Uday, resulting in their imprisonment in March 2021.

ADF India allied lawyers intervened, challenging the false charges and securing their release on bail in September 2021. Following a strenuous legal battle, the District Court in Khunti

acquitted them of all charges on May 30, 2024.

Now employed as a daily-wage laborer, Uday remains cautious, mindful of the unwelcome environment for Christians in the region. He expressed gratitude for God's faithfulness and thanked ADF India allied lawyers for their steadfast support and for proving their innocence.

The ultimatum issued by the village leaders, the threats of violence, and the fabrication of grievous charges represent egregious human rights violations and curtailment of religious freedom.

Case Story

A PASTOR AND FOUR WOMEN IN UP, RELEASED AFTER A MONTH OF TORTURE IN JAIL

The women stepped up to defend the Pastor and paid the price

On March 9, 2025, as a church in Sultanpur, Uttar Pradesh gathered for Sunday worship, a mob stormed in shouting slogans against the Christians, causing fear and panic.

When the mob began threatening the pastor, the women of the church stepped in to shield him. They demanded money and warned they would involve the police if the Christians didn't comply. What followed was a devastating

violation of justice. The police arrived, but not to protect the victims. The pastor, his wife, and four women were arrested on false charges under the state's anti-conversion law.

Their time in jail was marked by intense physical and emotional suffering. Fellow inmates and jail authorities subjected them to continuous harassment and cruelty. The pastor was brutally beaten, at one point even tied to a tree and



and assaulted. His food trays were frequently toppled, forcing him to go without food for days.

The women endured equal torment. They were slapped, threatened, and forced to stay awake through the nights. One of them, a young mother, spent agonising nights away from her three-month-old newborn. The pastor's wife fell seriously ill in jail, later discovering she was pregnant. She vomited frequently and received little to no medical care. Another, just 19 years old, missed her Class 11 exams.

In a desperate written plea to the Superintendent of Police, one of the arrested women wrote: "With folded hands, we plead for safety and protection. We are terrified for our lives and our dignity!"

ADF India allied lawyers filed bail applications, appeared in court, and met with the victims in jail to build a strong legal defence. Though the lower court initially denied bail, the team pressed on.

Finally, after almost a month, on April 3, 2025, the District Court of Sultanpur granted bail. The pastor, his wife, and three other women were released on April 7. One woman still remains in jail, with her release scheduled for April 15.

Despite the suffering they endured, they stood firm in their faith. However, it is deeply troubling that even women and children are no longer spared from religiously motivated violence. ADF India allied lawyers will continue to represent them in court as their legal proceedings move forward.

Case Story

FAITH ON TRIAL: A KARNATAKA CHURCH SECURES JUSTICE AFTER 15 YEARS OF BEING TARGETED FOR THEIR FAITH

For over a decade, Pastor Manjit (name changed) lived with the weight of false criminal charges hanging over him. Every court hearing was a reminder that he was an accused man. Every knock on the door carried the fear of another arrest. His two young children grew up in uncertainty, witnessing their father being dragged to court for a crime he never

committed. His wife carried the silent burden of holding the family together while their future remained in limbo. On December 30, 2024, this long ordeal finally ended when the court dismissed all charges, affirming his innocence.

Pastor Manjit's faith journey began in 1998, when he found Christ at his lowest point. In 2007, he

planted a small but growing church in Karnataka—in a region hostile to Christians.

As his congregation grew, so did the threats and violence. Religious extremists assaulted him, disrupted worship, and spread false accusations that led to his eviction from his home and church. Forced to relocate seven times, his family endured landlords throwing out their belongings, ordering them to leave.

His congregation, too, suffered. They worshipped in secret, gathering in homes while saving to buy land. When they finally built a small worship hall, it became their sanctuary.

The Arrest That Changed Everything

On March 4, 2012, Pastor Manjit was arrested after a local leader falsely accused him of insulting religious deities and engaging in forced conversions.

News of his arrest spread rapidly, bringing distress to his family and congregation. His young children faced humiliation in school, and his wife bore the weight of uncertainty, left alone to care for them while fearing what might come next.

ADF India allied lawyers secured his bail within a day, but the battle was far from over. For years, court hearings became an endless cycle of anxiety and uncertainty. In 2016, the court acquitted Pastor Manjit of all charges, citing lack of evidence. Yet, the State refused to back down, filing an appeal that dragged him back into the



courtroom.

On December 30, 2024, justice was finally served. The court dismissed the appeal. Fifteen years of fear and waiting had finally come to an end.

“This journey was long and painful, but God never left our side,” Pastor Manjit shared. “I am deeply grateful to ADF India for standing with me and helping me close this chapter.”

Today, his church stands strong. Their story is a powerful reminder that persecution is real—but so is hope and victory.



Strategic Litigation

CAMPAIGN AGAINST ANTI-CONVERSION LAWS

The ADF India team has taken on over 60 potential precedent-setting cases, the outcome of which would have a remarkable impact on religious freedom in India. Favourable outcomes in such cases can help us achieve generational wins or significant victories that impact the law and the culture of the nation for a generation.

ADF India has been litigating various constitutional challenges filed against the anti-conversion laws in the Supreme Court and state High Courts.

SUPREME COURT BARS CONTROVERSIAL REMARKS ON RELIGIOUS CONVERSIONS

In July 2024, the Uttar Pradesh High Court made an unwarranted remark, stating that Indians were being converted to Christianity in large numbers and that Hindus would eventually become a minority if this process continued. Such remarks carry serious implications—they risk legitimising false narratives and could trigger a surge in fabricated forced conversion cases against Christians. In fact, a lower court later cited this order of the High Court while convicting 16 individuals in a mass conversion case.

Recognising the significance of this case, the team swiftly approached the Supreme Court, challenging the sweeping comments made by the High Court. On September 27, 2024, the Supreme Court barred these controversial remarks, deeming them detrimental to religious minorities. This is a significant legal intervention by the team impacting the entire Christian community in India.

SUPREME COURT HEARS FATEHPUR ANTI-CONVERSION CASE

In the past year, notable developments have unfolded in the case of alleged forced conversions in Fatehpur, Uttar Pradesh. It all began with the disruption of the Maundy Thursday service in April 2022 when a mob of religious extremists interrupted the service, alleging forced conversions. This incident triggered a cascade of false claims, baseless FIRs, flawed investigations, and a protracted judicial battle spanning two years. The repercussions have been severe, impacting the lives of church members, their families, esteemed medical professionals, mission workers, and students and management of a university.

Despite lacking evidence against them, many individuals named in the FIRs endured months in jail before being bailed out and receiving protection from the Supreme Court. On 16 May 2024, the Court partially heard the arguments presented by ADF India allied lawyers and scheduled the next hearing for 2 August 2024. In a significant move offering relief, the court ordered a stay on all criminal proceedings related to the FIRs until the next hearing. Justice Manoj Misra expressed concerns, suggesting that certain provisions of the UP Anti-Conversion Law seemed violative of Article 25 of the Constitution, guaranteeing freedom of religion. This ongoing legal battle is an important step towards our larger campaign against the anti-conversion laws, to ensure and safeguard Religious Freedom for all in India.

SUPREME COURT HEARING ON ANTI-CONVERSION LAWS

On April 30, 2025, a batch of petitions challenging the constitutionality of anti-conversion laws was listed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

While the Supreme Court did not hear the matter substantively, it acknowledged the need for further filings and responses from State Governments.

ADF India allied lawyers are diligently preparing for the next steps, even as we continue to highlight the real-life consequences of these laws on communities across the country.

TARGETED VIOLENCE AND HOSTILITY AGAINST CHRISTIANS

In 2021, the ADF India team, led by the Catholic Archbishop of the Bangalore diocese had approached the Supreme Court to issue directions against the targeted violence and hostility experienced by the Christian community. We asked the court to constitute a Special Investigation Team to conduct a thorough inquiry in these incidents and grant due compensation and protection to victims living in fear. In October 2024, the team filed additional applications before the Supreme Court to highlight that the violence against Christians continued unabated and has, in fact, increased in the last few years. We are now waiting for the Supreme Court to schedule a final hearing in this case.

STRATEGIC ENGAGEMENT WITH THE MEDIA



ADF India strategically employs media to amplify the voices of those impacted by religious freedom violations in India. Over the past year, through collaborations with various media outlets, ADF India shed light on critical issues through articles, videos, and interviews.

These media endeavours play a crucial role in raising awareness, fostering dialogue, and advocating for justice on behalf of marginalized communities. A few such stories that were published due to the team's efforts are listed below:

1. [Supreme Court stays trial court proceedings in UP religious conversion cases](#) published by

The Indian Express on May 16, 2024: The Supreme Court of India stayed the criminal proceedings in a trial court in Uttar Pradesh relating to a case in which doctors and medical personnel, university staff, clergy members amongst others in a forceful religious conversion case. Link: <https://indianexpress.com/article/india/supreme-court-up-religious-conversion-cases-9333777/>

2. [UP Court Orders Action Against Cops Who Framed Duo For 'Converting People Into Christianity'](#) published by The Wire on August 20, 2024: The article spotlights an unprecedented instance where the judiciary

- holds police officers liable for misusing anti-conversion laws to pursue unfounded charges. The team fought and won his case from the local trial court. Link: <https://m.thewire.in/article/rights/up-court-orders-action-against-cops-who-framed-duo-for-converting-people-into-christianity/amp>
3. [SC Bars Citation of Allahabad HC Judge's Remarks on Hindus Becoming a Minority Due to Conversions](#) published by The Wire on September 28, 2024: The article highlights the Supreme Court of India's decision to bar the citation of an Allahabad High Court judge's remarks, which suggested that conversions to Christianity could lead to Hindus becoming a minority, deeming these remarks inappropriate for judicial proceedings. Link: <https://thewire.in/law/sc-bars-citation-of-allahabad-hc-judges-remarks-on-hindus-becoming-a-minority-due-to-conversions>
 4. ['Assault, local pressure, police inaction': In a village in Chhattisgarh, uncertainty over Christmas](#) published by Newslandry on December 13, 2024: The article highlights the uncertainty faced by Christian families in a Chhattisgarh village regarding Christmas celebrations due to local pressure for religious conversion, police inaction, and recent assaults. Link: <https://www.newslandry.com/2024/12/13/assault-local-pressure-police-inaction-in-a-village-in-chhattisgarh-uncertainty-over-christmas>
 5. [A Dalit Mechanic in UP Spent 15 Months Fighting a False 'Conversion' FIR – and Won](#) published by The Wire on January 6, 2025: The story of a Dalit (person of low caste, considered an untouchable under the Hindu caste system) Christian from Uttar Pradesh. Another win in a case where the team provided the legal defense. Link: <https://thewire.in/communalism/uttar-pradesh-anti-conversion-law-false-fir-dalit-christian>
 6. [834 Attacks on Christians in India in 2024, 100 More Than 2023: Rights Group](#) published by The Wire on January 10, 2025: The article discusses the significant increase in violence against Christians in India and highlights the misuse of anti-conversion laws to target minority communities. Link: <https://thewire.in/communalism/834-attacks-on-christians-in-india-in-2024-100-more-than-2023-rights-group>
 7. [The Loneliness of Being Christian In India](#) published by The Wire on January 29, 2025: The article covers the increasing isolation and persecution of Christians in India, emphasizing the societal indifference and state complicity in the violence against them. Link: <https://thewire.in/communalism/loneliness-of-being-christian-in-india>

ADF INDIA ADVOCACY ENGAGEMENTS

ADF India strategically engaged with national and international stakeholders to spotlight the escalating violations of religious freedom in India. Through high-level briefings, diplomatic meetings, public advocacy, and global platforms, ADF India presented credible evidence, built key alliances, and strengthened

international awareness around the misuse of anti-conversion laws and targeted violence against religious minorities. This timeline captures the critical moments and impactful dialogues that continue to shape our advocacy efforts for truth, justice, and religious liberty.

MAY 2024

German Embassy Engagement

Briefed a German Embassy diplomat on the state of religious freedom in India, focusing on the increasing targeting of Christians and the abuse of anti-conversion laws.



JUNE-JULY 2024

UNHRC Report and UCF Submission

In June, a submission on Freedom of Religion or Belief was made on behalf of the United Christian Forum (UCF), urging the Government of India to repeal laws that restrict religious conversions.

In July, the UNHRC published its report, which drew inputs from the submission made on behalf of UCF.

AUGUST 19, 2024

Press Conference and Memorandum Submission in Lucknow

Supported a press conference addressing proposed amendments to the Uttar Pradesh Anti-Conversion Law. Submitted a formal memorandum to the Governor, spotlighting the discriminatory impact on religious minorities.

JULY 19, 2024

Memorandum Submitted to Hon'ble Kiren Rijiju

Presented a detailed memorandum to the Union Minister, documenting the rise in violence against Christians and the misuse of Anti-Conversion Laws. Submitted key recommendations and urged immediate intervention.



OCTOBER 23, 2024

ForB Briefing with U.S. Senate Staff

Briefed two U.S. Senate staffers at the U.S. Embassy on India's Religious Freedom situation. The meeting sparked strong interest in a future, broader briefing with key staffers in Washington, D.C., underscoring growing U.S. concern.



OCTOBER 2024

Press Conference and Protest in Addressing Escalating Violence Against Christians

Supported a United Christian Forum press conference where they highlighted rising violence against Christians in India. Our team assisted with communications and media outreach, helping UCF raise urgent demands—including the repeal of anti-conversion laws—and mobilising support for a peaceful protest in Delhi.

FEBRUARY 4-5, 2025

Fifth Annual International Religious Freedom (IRF) Summit

Attended the 5th Annual International Religious Freedom (IRF) Summit in Washington, D.C. The summit brought together civil society leaders, faith communities, and government representatives to promote and protect the universal right to freedom of religion or belief. The event served as a platform for dialogue, collaboration, and advocacy to address global challenges to religious freedom.



FEBRUARY 28, 2025

Panel Discussion on Anti-Conversion Laws in Delhi

Hosted a panel discussion on India's anti-conversion laws, featuring Justice Muralidhar (Retd. Chief Justice, Odisha High Court) as the keynote speaker. The event explored the legal and constitutional implications of such laws, particularly their conflict with Article 25, which guarantees freedom of religion. Justice Muralidhar emphasized the need to uphold individual choice and religious liberty as central pillars of Indian democracy.



MARCH 13, 2025

Advocacy at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women

Spoke at the 69th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69) at the United Nations headquarters in New York, spotlighting ADF India's Vanishing Girls campaign. The presentation highlighted the urgent need to combat sex-selective abortions and called for stronger enforcement of the Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act, 1994. The engagement amplified our commitment to protecting the lives and dignity of unborn girls and advancing gender justice in India.



ADF India launched the **Vanishing Girls Campaign** in 2016 to save the lives of unborn girls by countering the widespread social evil of sex selective abortions. Through our litigation efforts, trainings and social media presence, we are improving awareness and public engagement on this issue.



MOBILIZING ALLIES FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

INSSAF 2024

ADF India organised INSSAF for social activists and lawyers in New Delhi in August 2024.

Both programs are a mixture of a consultation cum training for individuals who are passionate about providing vital support to religious minorities who are being targeted for their faith.

Participants left with reinforced connections and actionable insights. The event successfully promoted collaboration and provided practical knowledge for activists and lawyers alike.

INSSAF has opened new pathways for us to conduct training sessions in regions we previously hadn't reached, including Banswara, Kherwara, and Fatehpur in Rajasthan, as well as with tribal communities in Assam.

By extending our presence to these areas, we're able to expand our support network and engage more closely with participants who might otherwise lack access to such training.

This outreach not only broadens our reach but



also enables us to adapt our programs to meet the specific needs of these communities.

Moreover, INSSAF has facilitated connections with activists in regions where we had no prior presence.

Thanks to these efforts, we've connected with a

dedicated lawyer in Rajasthan who is able to respond to incidents of persecution within the region, as well as an activist in Bihar, where these incidents are on the rise.

This expanded network is essential for providing timely support and strengthening our ability to respond effectively in vulnerable areas.



EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES THROUGH LEGAL TRAINING

129 
No. of Legal Trainings

These trainings are day-long legal awareness workshops for community members on local issues, with a special emphasis on Freedom of Religion or Belief and other constitutional and minority rights.

To request a Training, write to trainings@adfindia.org

17,721 
No. of Christians trained

“Before ADF India’s legal training, I felt helpless when our community was threatened for practicing our faith. Now, I understand our constitutional rights and how to respond wisely. I’m thankful to ADF India for empowering ordinary people like me to be a voice for justice in Punjab.

—Ravindarpal, Punjab



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH (IDOP) 2024

IDOP 2024 was observed on Sunday, November 3, as part of a global movement to pray for Christians facing persecution. ADF India engaged churches and individuals across the country, over the span of 3 months, to raise awareness and intercede for those suffering for their faith.

Campaign Highlights

- **Church Engagements:** Reached over 150 churches across India and in the diaspora, through prayer and awareness sessions.
- **Online Prayer Event (Nov 3):** The campaign culminated in a powerful online prayer

gathering with 230 participants from various regions, united in intercession for the persecuted church.

- **Ongoing Impact:** The campaign generated growing interest, with more churches eager to learn about the situation in India and unite in prayer.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who participated, prayed, and supported this initiative.

Every involvement strengthened the mission to uphold religious freedom and provide legal aid to persecuted Christians.



STAND WITH CHRISTIANS BEING TARGETED FOR THEIR FAITH

Every year, hundreds of Christians in India face unimaginable hardships due to their faith. They suffer in silence, often overlooked and forgotten.

Through your generosity, we have been able to provide legal relief, shelter, food, medical aid, and even emotional support to countless Christians who are suffering. But the need continues to be great. We must act with urgency and compassion, to help them persevere.



Here's how you can help...



Connect us with Churches or Individuals in your network who may not yet be aware of the needs of persecuted Christians. Your referral can make a real difference.



Support advocacy efforts in the courts and other crucial platforms



Contribute to the bail and trial expenses for a Christian targeted for their faith



Provide support for **legal training and awareness programs** for churches

By standing with persecuted Christians today, you are offering them more than just survival; you are offering them hope, dignity, and the possibility of a future where they can freely live out their faith.

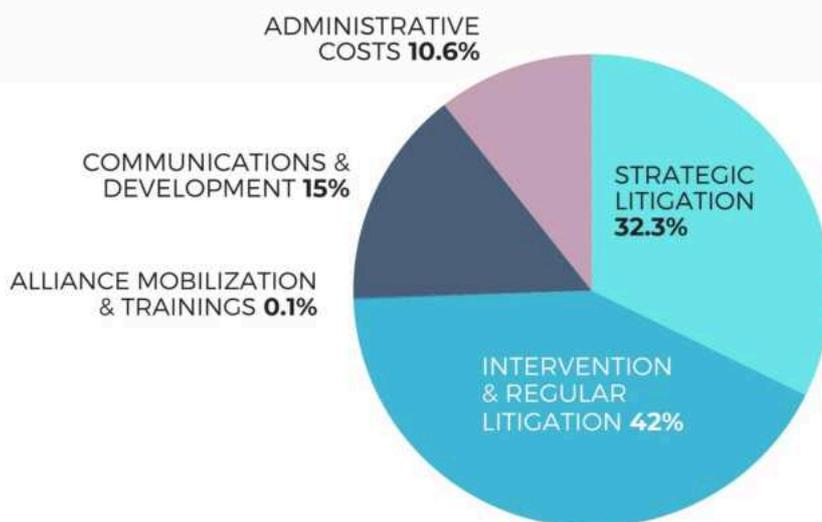
Please make your contribution today and consider helping us connect with other churches or individuals who may also be moved to support this vital cause.

Together, we can ensure that no Christian is left to endure alone in defending their faith.

FINANCIAL REPORT*

Apr 2024 - Mar 2025

INCOME	AMOUNT (INR)	EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT (INR)
<i>Donations Received</i>	1,40,52,960	<i>Strategic Litigation</i>	34,02,278
		<i>Intervention & Regular Litigation</i>	44,34,746
		<i>Alliance Mobilisation</i>	14,160
		<i>Communications & Development</i>	15,67,392
		<i>Administrative Costs</i>	11,18,210
		Total Expenditure:	1,05,36,786
		<i>Earmarked for Anti-Conversion Law Litigation</i>	31,00,000
		<i>Surplus</i>	4,16,174
TOTAL INCOME:	1,40,52,960	GRAND TOTAL:	1,40,52,960



* Please note that the financial figures presented in this report are pending audit review.



BANK DETAILS:

- Account Name: Alliance Defending Freedom India Trust
- Account No. 50100257182343
- IFSC Code: HDFC0001557
- HDFC Bank, B-36, Lajpat Nagar, New Delhi-110024

DONATE ONLINE: adfindia.org/donate

80G REGISTRATION NUMBER: AADTA8660PF20221

SCAN TO SUPPORT



vyapar.170076789280
@hdfcbank

