

# 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence

*Let's work together to stop  
the trafficking of girls and women*



## 16 Days of action and reflection ....

From the anniversary of the brutal assassination of three strong women activists in the Dominican Republic (November 25: International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women), to the day the world marks as International Human Rights Day (December 10). This year's theme is,

***'From peace in the home to peace in the world:  
make education safe for all!'***

Trafficking and forced labour is an extreme form of violence against women and girls. Here we offer you a focus for each of the 16 days of activism.

At the ACRATH office we will stop and light a candle each day. We ask you to gather with those in your workplace, community, family or class and join us and light a candle and remember:

- Nov 25:** The 3 women murdered on 25 Nov 1960 in the Dominican Republic and all other women who work to eradicate violence
- Nov 26:** Girls facing the threat of a forced marriage
- Nov 27:** Women and girls injured and killed at the 2013 collapse of the Rana Plaza textile factories in Bangladesh manufacturing clothing for export
- Nov 28:** Women trafficked into sexual exploitation in Australia
- Nov 29:** Women choosing to purchase clothing with a slavery-free supply chain from the cotton fields to the textile factory and store
- Nov 30:** Girls forced into labour from a young age who cannot go to school
- Dec 1:** Women, exploited and forced to work in domestic servitude, and in the agricultural and hospitality industries in Australia
- Dec 2:** Girls at risk of being trafficked after disasters in their countries
- Dec 3:** Girls who are the victims of pornography production
- Dec 4:** Women rebuilding their lives after being trafficked
- Dec 5:** Young women, trafficked from Cebu and elsewhere, willing to share their stories of exploitation and healing
- Dec 6:** Women, especially ACRATH members, who accompany women who have been trafficked
- Dec 7:** Young women in South Australia who advocate for the rights of children in West Africa forced to pick cocoa used in chocolate production
- Dec 8:** Women leaders in politics, religion and civil society working to eliminate all forms of human trafficking
- Dec 9:** Women who educate others to work for a slavery-free world and an end to violence
- Dec 10:** Women and men working to uphold human rights and eradicate human trafficking



For more information and campaign actions go to [www.acrath.org.au/16days](http://www.acrath.org.au/16days)

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## Some simple actions to take



Actions



- Buy only slavery-free chocolate
- Ask your local coffee shop to stock slavery-free coffee
- Find out if the clothes you wear are slavery free. If not, we have actions you can participate in
- Share this reflection sheet