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Thank you for helping to set up an Anti-Slavery Group! We hope that by forming a local group, active campaigners and supporters in your area will be able to get more involved with Anti-Slavery's activities. Groups will play a crucial role in helping Anti-Slavery International to raise-awareness of modern slavery, motivate others to get involved in the fight, campaign for change and fundraise for freedom, so that together we can eliminate slavery from the world once and for all.

The aim of this resource pack is to offer comprehensive information to supporters who wish to set up and run an Anti-Slavery group. It also contains advice on how to campaign or raise funds in support of our work.

This pack is also available online at [www.antislavery.org](http://www.antislavery.org)

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## 1.1 Anti-Slavery International Mission Statement

Anti-Slavery International is the world's oldest international human rights organisation, founded in 1839, and the only UK charity committed to eliminating all forms of slavery in today's world. Slavery, servitude and forced labour are violations of individual freedom, which deny basic dignity and fundamental human rights.

### Anti-Slavery International supports today's fight for tomorrow's freedom by:

- Carrying out research to assess the scale of slavery in order to identify measures to end it
- Supporting the initiatives of local organisations to release people from slavery
- Lobbying governments and intergovernmental agencies to make slavery a priority issue and to develop and implement more effective laws against slavery



Anti-Slavery March in Punjab, India

*"It is commonly believed that slavery no longer exists. Sadly this is not true. I commend Anti-Slavery International for proclaiming the inhumanity of the present situation. We should do all in our power to bring such exploitation to an end."*

Archbishop Desmond Tutu

- Mobilising public support to campaign for the eradication of slavery

### We base our work on the following fundamental principles:

- The right of all people to be free from any forms of slavery and able to assert this right
- A respect for the dignity, diversity and views of all people involved in the struggle for the eradication of slavery
- The belief that all people exploited by slavery should have the opportunity to realise their full potential

## 1.2 The role of Anti-Slavery groups

- To raise awareness of modern slavery and campaign for its end in your local area
- To engage new supporters in the fight against slavery
- To organise events, activities and raise funds for Anti-Slavery International
- To raise the profile of Anti-Slavery International in your local area
- To help Anti-Slavery International campaign in a crisis situation where necessary