Human Rights Violations against the Transgender Community

A Study of Kothi and Hijra Sex Workers in Bangalore, India - September 2003

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This poignant expose of human, and human rights, violations against transgender persons and communities should be compulsory reading for Indian human rights communities. The dominant discourse on human rights in India has yet to come to terms with the production/reproduction of absolute human rightslessness of transgender communities. The work in your hands not merely foregrounds the microfascism of the local police state, it also archives practices of everyday resistance to it and a program shift for a more inclusive formation of human rights movement in India.

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