

# Setting up a GBV Prevention and Response Programme



# Introduction

- Zambia is a landlocked country with 8 neighbours
- Located in Southern-Central Africa
- Pop. 10 million people
- Size 752,614 sq metres
- Hosts about 450,000 refugees in five camps



# Kala Camp

- Located in Northern Zambia
- Opened in 2000
- Currently 21,798 refugees
- 6394 households
- Managed by World Vision
- Other INGO's include: Action Health Africa, HODI



# Early Cases of GBV Identified by HODI Staff

- Wife battering and abuse
- Forced prostitution
- Sexual abuse by traditional healers
- Marrying of girls as young as 12yrs
- Child rape
- Teenage pregnancy
- Abductions of young girls by older men



# GBV Programme: History

- HODI solicited funding from UNHCR for prevention and response programme
- Started in 2001 as an extension of pre-existing activities of HODI



# GBV Programme: Objectives

- To promote and coordinate multisectoral activities
- To clarify multisectoral responsibilities
- To provide community education about human rights
- To publicize availability of services for survivors
- To offer psychosocial services to survivors
- To provide referrals to survivors for health care and legal assistance



# GBV Programme: Activities

- Created multisectoral coordination committee
- Established referral system for reported cases
- Established and trained local tribunal
- Created community education group to provide IEC through drama, poems, songs
- Extended existing HODI psychosocial activities to include counseling, group support, referral services to survivors and family members



# Programme

- Culture practices
- Beliefs: traditional/religious
- Low levels of education
- Family planning very low
  - Polygamy is very high
  - 80- 100 babies are born every month
- No doctor for forensic examinations



# Achievements

- **Social Support**
- **Psychosocial support**
- **Mobile Courts: successful prosecution**
- **Sensitization**
- **GBV Coordination Committee**

