

## CASE STUDY

### **Migrants Were Attacked By A Group Of Locals In Madhupalam**

Loyola Jeevika Migrant Services (LJMS) hub responded to reports of migrants being physically attacked by locals at a hollow bricks' factory in Madhupalam. Upon arrival, the MLW located the factory, but found it locked. Subsequently, the MLW identified the owner's residence and visited to inquire about the incident. Initially, the owner hesitated, mistaking the MLW for a member of the media. However, after clarification of intent, the owner shared the details of the incident. On February 5th, at 01:00 am, a person attempted to trespass near the factory where the migrants resided. Upon discovery, the migrants attempted to apprehend him, resulting in minor injuries to the intruder. The migrants promptly informed the owner, who arrived and resolved the situation. Recognizing the intruder, the owner released him with a nominal sum due to a minor injury sustained. However, the individual returned with a group, wielding broken bricks, iron rods, and a shovel, and attacked the migrants, resulting in serious injuries to three of them.

The injured migrants were swiftly taken to the hospital, and the owner reported the incident at Nemom Police station, where a FIR was filed. One migrant managed to capture the attack on video, providing evidence submitted to the police. Following this, the MLW visited Nemom Police station to learn more about the case. After initial inquiries, the MLW met with the investigating officer, who provided details. The case, registered as Case No: 130/2024 at Nemom Police Station, involves four inter-state migrants from West Bengal as victims and the accused individuals under IPC sections: 452, 326, 324, 362, and 34. The case will proceed to further stages of investigation, with authorities actively pursuing justice for the victims.