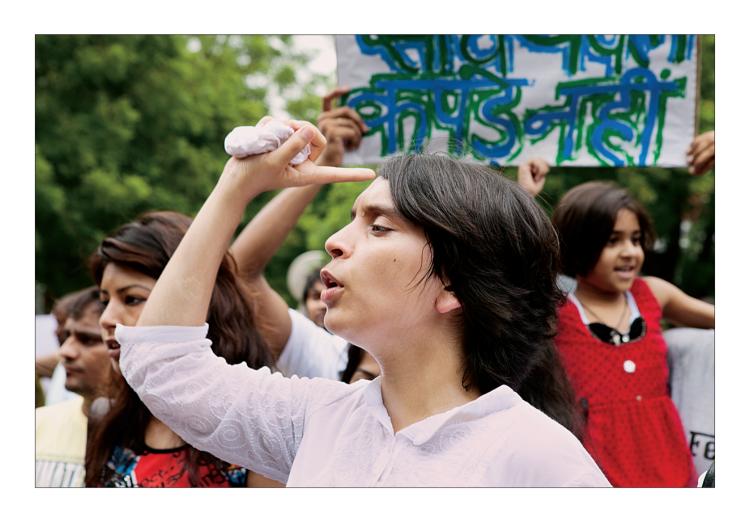




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Slut Walk Delhi, renamed the Besharmi Morcha to suit Indian sensibilities took place on 31 July. Both women and men were expected to actively participate and support the cause. But though some 700 people turned up, not many women did, most likely because no one wanted to be part of a rally where they would be ogled at. However it was heartening to see men support the cause and take the lead. To ensure a peaceful protest there was considerable police cover, including women cops. Delhi Drum Circle and Asmita Theatre Group performed at the event. The media portrayed the event as a damp squib, but the energy at the event was palpable, and it was heartening to see men educating one another about acceptable behaviour.

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