

Summary of the activity

Over the course of a year of realizing and expressing women's reality, challenges remain unless full equality and justice guaranteeing all their rights are achieved.

















About Edraak:

Edraak for Development and Equality is an Egyptian non-profit organization registered with the Ministry of Social Solidarity under No. 11014 in 2019.

Edraak's scope of work is focused on supporting the presence of women and their social, economic and political participation in the public sphere. Moreover, advocate for issues that enable them to have full access to their basic rights, achieve gender equality, combat forms of public and private violence and discrimination through support, protection and social counselling for victims of violence and provide community and health education services.

Edraak engages with women and girls' causes through designing advocacy and support campaigns, as well as issuing studies and monitoring reports since 2020 through the Observatory of Gender-Based Violence Crimes against Women and Girls. The Foundation focuses on multi-sectoral partnerships with stakeholders concerned with women's issues, decision-makers, and legislators. Beside the work on integrate and involve men in supporting and advocating for women and girls' issues.

As well, Edraak intensifies interventions in sexual and reproductive health programs, community development, and economic empowerment of women and vulnerable groups in local communities.





Mai Gamal Award for Feminist Research



Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality launched the "Mai Gamal Feminist Research Grant" in gratitude and appreciation for her struggles and in recognition of all her contributions in the field of working on women's issues and combating violence. This grant comes to facilitate the path for young female researchers and put them on the first path of their research career. Mai's journey and attempts at self-education were not easy, and that is why we wanted Mai's passion throughout her life to be a reason for inspiring and extending support to young women to complete Mai's journey of producing knowledge for the Egyptian feminist movement.

This grant is launched in November of each year, and includes a short fellowship to support young female researchers in developing their research projects and skills in the field of feminist research, then forming a research evaluation committee to select the winners.

About Mai Gamal:

An Egyptian feminist researcher who left a clear mark in many fields, ranging from law to feminist struggle to achieve gender justice and equality, and combat violence against women and girls, she passed away on November $_2$, $_202_3$, as a result of the bombing of the Sheikh Radwan neighborhood in Gaza City.

Mai was an active and founding member of the Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality since its inception, where she worked as a digital content manager and played a pivotal role in establishing the Gender-Based Violence Crimes Observatory, then took over the management of the support and advocacy unit at the foundation. She also contributed effectively to developing the content of all awareness campaigns launched by the foundation on women's rights and feminist issues, and contributed to many studies, research papers and reports on gender-based violence.

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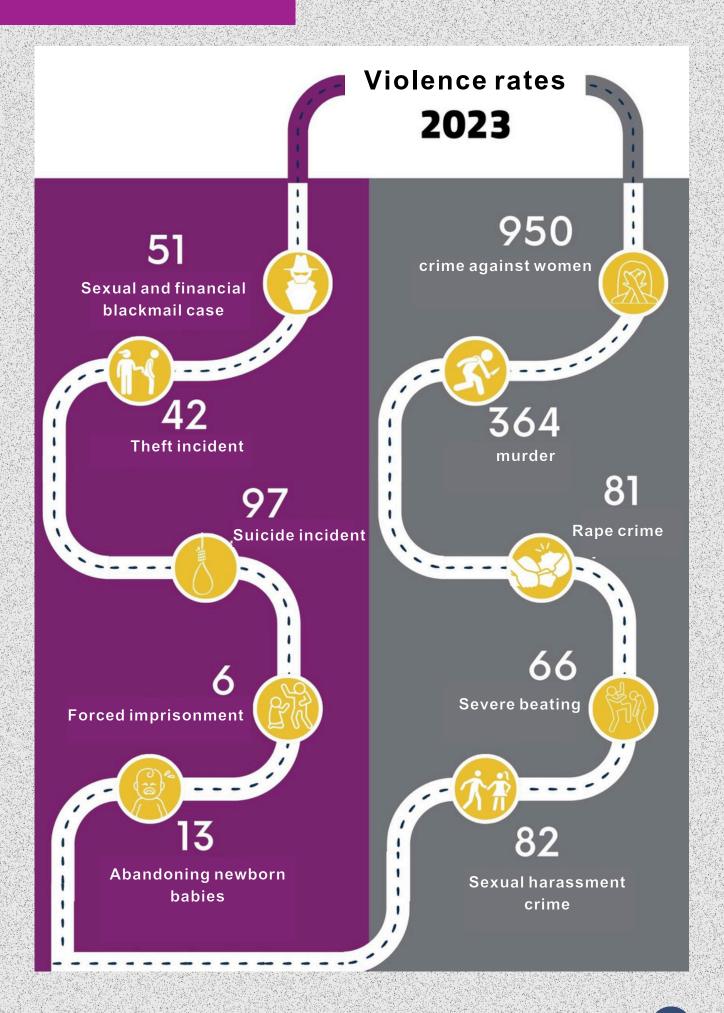


2023

The Observatory of Violence Crimes against Women and Girls Report 2023

The Observatory of Violence Crimes is a monitoring project launched by the Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality in early 2020 to monitor crimes of violence against women and girls during the Corona pandemic and continued to be issued after that, as the rates and rates of crimes of violence against women and the increase in its frequency and forms are evidence of an inherent defect in the bonds of society that requires more legislative and awareness interventions.

The Observatory is a platform for documenting data on officially declared crimes of violence against women and girls, as it relies in its monitoring on what is published on Egyptian public and private news websites, in addition to data from the media office of the Egyptian Attorney General (Public Prosecution, Administrative Prosecution) in an attempt to provide a picture close to reality about the rates of violence against women and girls and its various forms supported by data on the geographical areas in which it is prevalent, the ages of the victims, the motives for the crime, and the gender of the perpetrators



During the year 2023, the number of violent crimes against women and girls in Egypt reached 950 incidents of violence.



During 2023, there were 82 attempted murders women and girls ("postponed murders"), 31 of which were committed by a family member during the second half of the year.



During the second half of 2023, the number of murders of women and girls under the pretext of "honor crimes" reached 9 crimes.



During 2023, the number of murders of women and reached 364 girls incidents, 142 of whom were killed by a member of their families during the second half of the year.









Severe beating

During 2023, 81 rape crimes During 2023, there were 66 were recorded, 25 of which cases severe beatings were committed by a family resulting in fractures, burns, and member during the second temporary and permanent disabilities. including 15 incidents at the hands of a family member during

second half of the year.



Suicide incident

97 suicide incidents of girls and women were recorded Egypt, as well as 34 suicide attempts. The age groups from (12 to 18 years) and (19 to 30 years) recorded the highest suicide rates in the second half of the year, with a total of 60%.



During 2023, 42 incidents of theft of women and girls were recorded, including one incident in which the victim was dragged and 9 murders of women and girls with the aim of robbing them during the second half of the year.





imprisonment

During 2023, 6 incidents of girls and women being detained and prevented from communicating with their families or the outside world were recorded.

half of the year.

sexual harassment

During 2023, 82 incidents of sexual harassment were monitored, including 47 crimes during the second half of the year.



During the second half of the year:

- "The street" is the place where most sexual harassment incidents occurred, with 31 incidents.
- A murder of the victim was recorded after she confronted the perpetrator and a quarrel between them.
- 7 girls/women were beaten and suffered fractures and lacerations as a result of their confrontation with the perpetrator.
- 10 murders of those defending the victim were recorded, including 4 incidents in which the victim was a family member and 6 incidents in which the victim's defender was not related to her.

Abandoning children



During 2023, 13 cases of abandonment of newborn or slightly older girls were recorded, 7 of whom were abandoned by their parents because they did not want to have girls, because they were born with a disability, or because they were the product of a customary marriage or informal relationship.

Refuse to marry



- During the second half of 2023, 9 crimes were recorded, the motive behind which was the victim's refusal to marry, as follows:
- 5 incidents of killing girls and women because they refused to marry the perpetrator.
- 2 incidents of death threats.
- An incident of financial and sexual blackmail due to refusal to marry.
- An incident of facial disfigurement using a sharp instrument due to refusal to marry the perpetrator.
- 4 of these crimes were committed by a member of the victim's family (cousin, two crimes by a former fiancé, one crime by a current fiancé after the victim decided to break off the engagement)

Financial and sexual extortion



During 2023, 51 incidents of sexual and financial extortion were monitored.

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6 incidents of sexual and financial blackmail by a family member were monitored. 2 incidents of sexual blackmail were due to their refusal to marry the blackmailer. 1 incident of rape of a minor girl who responded to sexual blackmail.

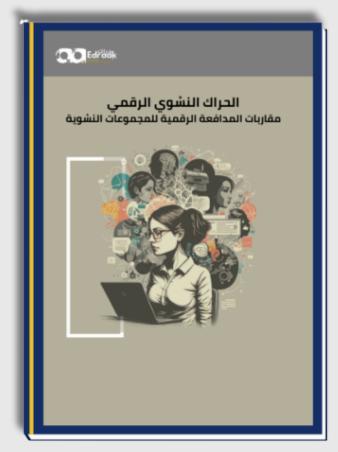
inheritance seizure



- The number of 14 incidents of inheritance seizure were as follows:
- 4 murders and 5 attempted murders of girls and women who demanded their inheritance.
- 18 incidents of beating girls and women who refused to give up their inheritance and demanded it.
- An incident of disfigurement with acid was recorded due to disputes over inheritance.



Analytical paper: Digital feminist activism Digital advocacy approaches for feminist groups



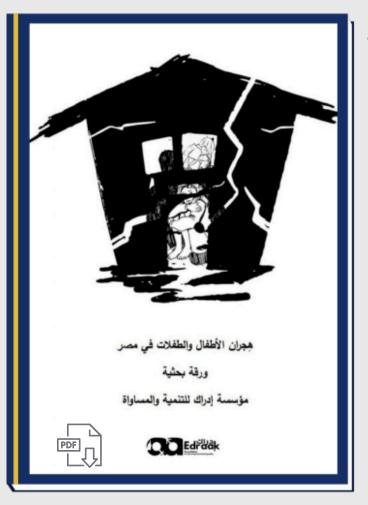
للاطلاع على الورقة وتحميلها



The world and its tools are rapidly evolving, and the Internet is one of the most important tools of the modern era, which has enabled social movements, including the feminist movement in the Arab region, to exploit it effectively. Before the Arab Spring of 2011, feminist activism was limited to civil society institutions with a rights or feminist orientation and some individual efforts, but with the broad societal movement during and after the revolutions, new issues emerged such as sexual harassment, women's deprivation of inheritance, legal discrimination, and women's suffering in divorce, alimony, custody, and granting citizenship. Demands have also evolved to include body ownership, sexuality, self-love. intellectual and material independence. Initiatives have started from individual blogs to become support and pressure circles that have forced institutions governments and progressive discourses, going beyond treating harm to preventing it.

In this paper, we discuss the use of this wave of feminist activism on various social media platforms to bring about intellectual change, the reasons for resorting to them, the advantages and disadvantages of these platforms, and the various types of cultures that have spread due to this type of activism. We will also mention the most famous hashtags and campaigns in the Arab region that have created legal, intellectual, or societal change.





Research paper: Child abandonment in Egypt

The research paper discusses the issue of child abandonment, pointing out its causes and multiple effects on the individual and society. Among the most prominent causes that the paper highlights are: pregnancy outside of marriage, marriage of minors, birth of children with disabilities, birth of girls, and economic conditions that push some families to abandon their children.

The paper confirms that this abandonment leads to serious consequences, including psychological disorders such as invisible child syndrome, social problems such as the phenomenon of street children, and increased exposure of girls to violence and exploitation. It also addresses the absence of Egyptian legislation that recognizes the crime of "family abandonment", compared to more stringent European legislation.

The recommendations indicate the need to develop child protection laws to include clear penalties for the crime of abandonment, and to enhance economic and psychological support for families exposed to crises. It also emphasizes the importance of the role of civil society and the government in improving the conditions of care homes and following up .on the implementation of rehabilitation programs

Finally, the paper highlights real-life stories that reflect the human suffering resulting from this phenomenon, calling for a comprehensive approach to address the causes and effects with a focus on prevention and reintegration of migrant children into their families or .society

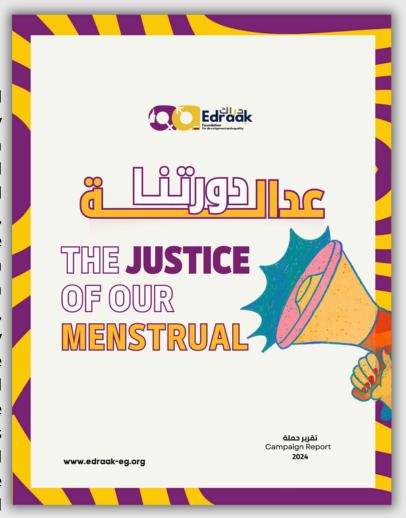
Influence campaigns



The Justice of our Menstrual Campaign

Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality was keen to continue its advocacy efforts for the International Day of Action for Women's Health and the International Day of Menstrual Hygiene, so it launched the "Our Cycle Justice" campaign on May 24, 2024, which lasted for a week, to raise awareness of the importance of adopting a comprehensive gender perspective in practices and legislation at the state, individual, institutional and community levels, to strive to respond to and achieve menstrual justice, and consider it an integral part of health justice, and to acknowledge that access to menstrual hygiene products and health information is a right for all women. The campaign aimed to introduce the concept of/shed light on menstrual justice and call for the adoption of a comprehensive gender perspective in practices and legislation at the state, community and individual levels to strive to respond and achieve menstrual justice, including:

Social solidarity and pressure to adopt a legislative proposal that seeks to oblige the state and business owners to provide menstrual supplies free of charge in public places, workplaces and schools, as a basic and necessary human need to remove obstacles to women and girls' participation in the public sphere and lift the embarrassment and societal stigma that they may be exposed to on a daily basis



Adopting a tax reduction on menstrual supplies as a basic need, not a luxury
Amending the Labor Law by including a one-day monthly leave in the Labor Law for women and girls who suffer from dysmenorrhea, to be granted according to a

Including materials in school curricula that help remove societal stigma from menstruation as a vital sign of women's and

girls' health

medical certificate.

Seeking to take into account women's needs when planning public spaces by ensuring that they are friendly to women and their needs, such as: providing bathrooms designated for women, providing menstrual supplies and sanitary towels









by Monleya Magdi discussed the physical, emotional, and spychological impact of menstrust powerty on women, as well as the impact of the social embarrasment they fixed us to the lack of mentural supplies in public spaces. She emphasized that the absence of these supplies in evriplaces, coupled with the financial inability to purchase tham, would affect working women who might optroits build. She added that it is necessary to work on removing the social stigms surrounding menstruation by discussing it openly and directly and reliand awareness through all media channels. She stressed the importance of including discussions and education about menstruation and discussions and education about menstruation and

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Her body, her right and her right is to decide.

Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality was keen to intensify advocacy efforts for women's bodily autonomy and freedom during October 2024, as body ownership is one of the most important issues that are not talked about in society. Simply mentioning the word "body" in any content becomes suspicious in the view of the recipient, especially in issues of women's sexual and reproductive health.

Edraak launched the "Her Body is Her Right and Her Right to Decide" campaign with the aim of shedding light on the obstacles that limit women's and girls' bodily autonomy, especially in issues of sexual and reproductive health, during and after puberty, including marriage and beyond, and the interventions, pressures and misconceptions they are exposed to, whether from the family, society or healthcare providers, and the reflection of this on marginalizing their rights and reducing their freedom to make informed health decisions regarding their bodies.

This campaign came to break the circle of silence and affirm the right of women and girls to make decisions related to their sexual and reproductive health without guardianship, in a journey that lasted for 10 days, starting on October 20 and continuing until October 30, where we agreed as a number of women's institutions and initiatives to work shoulder to shoulder within the "Her Body, Her Right and Her Right to Decide" campaign with the aim of unifying efforts to spread awareness and support and advocate for women's right to make health and medical decisions regarding their bodies without guardianship, and to work to remove the stigma that accompanies women all the time, even with regard to their sexual and reproductive health, and to call for a review of the procedures and practices that impose restrictions on women's freedom regarding their health decisions.









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مقال article



في اطار الحملة تم نشر مقال " كيف تحول الخرافة بين المرأة ي الدراسطة المقال يتناول تجارب نساء وفتيات مع الخرافات وجسدها" المقال يتناول تجارب نساء وفتيات مع الخرافات والمفاهيم المفلوطة المرتبطة بأجسادهن في المجتمع، بعضهن يعرضن كيف مرزن بقلقًا بسبب تغييرات جسدهن في مرحلة يورض بك مورن بطلة بسبب تغييرات جسدهن في موحلة البلوغ، وافقائرهن للمصادر المحيحة للمقاطفات كما يعرض المقال كيف تنتشر هذه الحرافات حول البلوغ والعذرية والجيض، وتؤثر عل حياة النساء، من القلق النفسي إلى الصراع مع الهوية الجسدية. يبرز المقال أهمية التوعية والتعليم المحيح حول الجسد في نقليل هذه الخرافات وتحسين الصحة النفسية والجسدية للنساذ.

كيف تَحُول الخرافةُ بين للرأة وجسدها؟ As part of the campaign, an article was published entitled "How Myths Stand Between Women and Their Bodies." The article discusses the experiences of women and girls with myths and misconceptions related to their bodies in society. Some of them show how they experienced anxiety due to the changes in their bodies during puberty, and their lack of correct sources of information. The article also shows how these myths about puberty, virginity and menstruation spread and affect women's lives, from psychological anxiety to struggles with physical identity. The article highlights the importance of awareness and correct education about the body in reducing these myths and improving women's mental

بودكاست : كشف النساء للمتنوحات فقط!! podcast



في هذه الحلقة من البودكاست، تم تناول موضوع الوصمة الاجتماعية المحيطة بزيارة عبادات النساء، خصوصًا بالنسبة للنساء غير المتزوجات. يناقش خصوصا بالنسبة النساة عبر المتزوجات، ينافض المتحدثون كيف أيسمح فقط للمتزوجات بزيارة أطباد النساء، يبما أيمتر من غير اللاق أن تقور الفتيات غير المتزوجات بذلك. يطرح النساؤل: هل أمراض النساء مقتصرة فقط على المتزوجات؟ ويستعرضون حالات واقعية لفتيات مراهقات أو بالفات ثم حرمانهن من حقهن في العلاج لمجرد أنهن لسن متزوجات، مما يعكس تأثير الأفكار المجتمعية الخاطئة على صحة النساء وحقوقهن في الحصول على رعاية طبية.

In this episode of the podcast, the social stigma surrounding visiting gynecology clinics, especially for unmarried women, is addressed. The speakers discuss how only married women are allowed to visit gynecologists, while it is considered inappropriate for unmarried girls to do so. The question is: Are gynecological diseases only for married women? They share real-life cases of teenage and adult girls who were denied treatment simply because they were not married, reflecting the impact of societal misconceptions on women's health and their rights to medical care

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شهادات شاركتها معنا نساء وفتيات حول علاقتهن بأطباء وطبيبات النساء، وركزت جميعها على تجاريهن الشخصية في النعامل مع الأطباء، حيث عبرت الكثير منهن عن ب شعورهن بعدم الراحة أو القلق بسبب بعض المواقف التي شعورهن بعدم الراحاء او الفلق سبب بعض العواقف التي واجهنها، مثل عدم الاستماع الجيد لهن أو الشعور بالتجاهل لاحتياجاتهن الخاصة، كذلك تأثير الجانب الديني والمجتمعي على تلك العلاقة مع عدم امتلاك المريضات في بعض الاحيان القدرة على اتخاذ القرار خاصة فيما يتعلق بعض الاحيان القدرة على اتخاذ القرار خاصة فيما يتعلق بالموافقة علي اجراء جراة بمنطقة الرحم

Testimonies shared with us by women and girls Testimonies shared with us by women and girls about their relationship with gynecologists, all of which focused on their personal experiences in dealing with doctors. Many of them expressed their feelings of discomfort or anxiety due to some of the situations they faced, such as not listening to them well or feeling that their special needs were ignored, as well as the impact of the religious and societal aspects on this relationship, with patients sometimes not having the ability to make a decision, especially regarding consent to undergoing surgery in the uterine area.





تة نقاشية Discussion session

From the "Her Body Her Right and Her Right is to Decide" salon, which was held in partnership between Edrank Foundation for Development and Equality and Superwoman Initiative, to discuss body ownership and medical decision- disparation in the discuss body ownership and medical decision- disparation in the discussion of the disparation in the discussion was saling related to the uterus, with attendees sharing their own experiences and learning about the tools they can use to protect their gibts related to their bodies. The salon was attended by the Executive Director of Edrank Foundation for Development and Equality, Polymore and Equality, Nagwa Ibrahim, the Executive Director of Superwoman Initiative, Aya Mounir, Dr. Salma Salot, elication program at Edrank Foundation, and a large number of active participants.











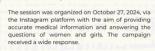
Live broadcast



المتابعات حول الأمراض التي تصيب النساء، وخاصة الأمراض المتعلقة بالرحم والجهاز التناسلي. تم تنظيم الجلسة في 27 أكتوبر 2024، عبر منصة انس يهدف تقديم المعلومات الطبية الدقيقة والإجابة على تساؤلات

النساء والفتيات وقد لاقت الحملة استجابة واسعة. تم الاجابة خلال الجلسة على 35 سؤال حيث تنوعت ما بين أسئلة تتعلق بالحمل والدورة الشهرية، وأمراض الرحم، والختان وتأثيراته، تجميد البويضات، ووسائل منع الحمل، وتكيسات المبايض، وبطانة الرحم

A live broadcast session was organized with Dr. Yasmine Abu El-Azm - a gynecologist - to answer inquiries from followers about diseases that affect women, especially diseases related to the uterus and reproductive system.



During the session, 35 questions were answered, ranging from questions related to pregnancy and the menstrual cycle, uterine diseases, circumcision and its effects, egg freezing, contraceptives, ovarian cysts, and endometriosis

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Childbirth is your decision, care is my right

Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality launched the campaign "Childbirth is your decision, care is my right" from July 13 to 18, to discuss the issue of child abandonment. Parents' abandonment of their children is one of the most influential and most ignored crimes, and represents a complex challenge within the challenges of social issues. Therefore, Edraak Foundation was keen to uncover this hushed-up issue, especially since there are no official statistics on the number of cases of abandonment. While Egyptian law has tried to provide protection for our children and protect their rights, it has not recognized the crime of the head of the household abandoning the marital home or failing to fulfill parental care obligations as a crime in itself. In this case, the child remains under the care of the legislation regulating the mother's living expenses only. The law also grants the mother the right to separation and divorce as a result of abandonment in the case of official relationships. Except for the provisions of alimony, there is no legal responsibility on the husband to abandon the wife and her child without care or bearing the burden of upbringing and the responsibilities of parenthood that are due to him and to evade any obligation due to him.



And believing that this issue overlaps and intersects with other problems such as children of unknown parentage, human trafficking, gender-based violence, underage marriage, and other problems related to the issue of abandoning girls, which are one of its causes or results, and in light of the effects resulting from this crime, the consequences of which are borne by the children/girls in addition to the mother. Through our campaign "Childbirth is your decision.. Care is my right", we emphasize the urgent need to shed light on these problems and address them within the legal framework and whether there is an urgent need for a text criminalizing abandonment in light of the comparative legislation of other countries that have taken a positive approach in this regard, and to identify the aspects of protection and care provided for the child in this regard, and to review the root causes of the problem and its serious repercussions























The method is a decision... her right to choose



Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality launched its campaign "The method is a decision.. her right to choose" in conjunction with World Contraceptive Day, which falls on September 26 of each The campaign vear. prepared under the supervision of a specialized doctor, to enable women and girls to decisions regarding their reproductive health consciously, freely, and responsibly



because of the widespread تحمله فبتضطر تستخدم الوسيلة المتاحة في الوحدة

يِستَخْدَمها الزَّوجِ أو حتى عشان تكلفة الوسيلة أعلي مما يمكن للأسرة

الصحية.



Opening Statement

World Contraception Day, which this العالمي لوسائل منع الحمل، والذي يوافق وهذا العام 2024, marks the 30th anniversary هذا العام 2024 ذكرى مرور 30 عام على of the International Conference on المؤتمر الدولي للسكان والتنمية، الذي انعقد عام 1994 في القاهرة؛ لوضع خطة Population and Development, held in عمل تضمن وتحافظً على الحقوق الإنجابية Cairo in 1994, to develop a plan of action والجنسية للأفراد، وتلزم الحكومات بتوفير that guarantees and preserves the reproductive and sexual rights of المنتجات الصحية اللازمة ضمن ميزانيتها individuals, and obliges governments to وإيماناً بحق النساء والفتيات في اتخاذ within their budgets as a basis for القرارات بشأن صحتهن البنجابية development.

In the belief in the right of women and girls to make decisions about their والمساواة حملة "الوسيلة قرار .. حقما reproductive and sexual health, including family planning decisions, Edraak Foundation for Development المستخدمة في تنظيم الأسرة والتركيز and Equality is launching the "Method على حقوق النساء والفتيات في الوصول is a decision.. Her right to choose" واتخاذ القرارات الصحية بشأن وسائل منع campaign over 5 days to raise awareness about the methods used in تُعرَّف الصحة الإنجابية بأنها حالة من family planning and focus on the rights في جميع في جميع والعقلي والاجتماعي في جميع of women and girls to access and make الأمور المتعلقة بالجهاز التناسلي، في contraception and family planning.

مرغوب فيه، بالإضافة إلى حماية النساء as a النساء Reproductive health is defined as a state of physical, mental and social well- الفتيات من فيروس نقص المناعة being in all matters related to the البشرية، وتوفير السلع والخدمات الصحية reproductive system, at all stages of life. إنجابية وجنسية إنجابية وجنسية Reproductive health includes safe births and desired pregnancy, in addition to protecting women and girls from HIV, and providing the health goods and services necessary for good reproductive and sexual health.

البيان الافتتاحي يحتّفل العالم في ال 26 من سبتمبر باليوم ىاعتبارها أساساً للتنمية.

> والجنسية التي تتضمن قرارات تنظيم الأسرة، تطلق مؤسسة إدراك للتنمية تختار " على مدار 5 أيام للتوعية بالوسائل

الحمل وتنظيم الأسرة.

جميع مراحل الحياة. وتشمل الصحة decisions regarding الإنجابية أن تكون الولادات آمنة والحمل

misconceptions about some contraceptive methods, especially the methods that the

Or even because the cost of the method is higher than the family can afford, so they are forced to use the method available in the

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husband can use

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Break the mold campaign

Edraak Foundation launched the "Break the mold" campaign on November 25, coinciding with the 16 days of activism against violence against women, with the aim of shedding light on the stereotyping that women and girls are exposed to as a type of psychological violence that society inflicts upon them, in addition to breaking the stereotypes imposed on women and girls as a form of gender-based violence.

























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Today we conclude the "Break the Mold" campaign, which was launched on November 25, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, in support of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, and continues until December 10, which is International Human Rights Day.

At the end of our campaign, we affirm our rejection of all forms of stereotyping that surround women from all sides and place them in specific molds within a framework of preconceived judgments, which limits their capabilities and participation in the public and private spheres and deprives them of their basic rights and life powers, in addition to being a form of violence against women.

The stereotyping and discrimination practiced against women is fueled by society, customs and traditions under societal guardianship and appears in many practices that increase the burden on women and emphasize the imbalance of justice and inequality.

In addition, gender stereotypes, especially those that are cumulative and intersect with other stereotypes, can have a double negative impact on certain categories of women, such as women with disabilities, women from lower classes or those with low economic status, and immigrant women.

Therefore, it is necessary to work on raising awareness to confront the stigma and stereotyping surrounding women and girls, in addition to working on changing the societal culture hostile to women, in the street, the media and school curricula. With attention to developing public policies to confront stereotyping and gender-based violence and presenting a positive and realistic image of women away from the stereotype.

نختتم اليوم حملة "اكسري القالب" التي انطلقت يوم25 نوفمبر في اليوم العالمي للقضاء للعنف ضد المرأة دعما لأنشطة 16 يوم لمناهضة العنف ضد المرأة، وحتى اليوم 10 ديسمبر والذي يوافق اليوم العالمي لحقوق الإنسان.

نؤكد في ختام حملتنا على رفض كافة أشكال التنميط الذي يحيط بالنساء من كل جانب ويضعهن في قوالب محددة في إطار من الأحكام المسبقة، الأمر الذي يحد من قدراتهن ومشاركتهن في المجالين العام والخاص ويحرمهن من حقوقهن الأساسية وصلاحياتهن الحياتية، فضلا عن كونه أحد أشكال العنف ضد النساء.

التنميط والتمييز الذي يمارس ضد النساء يغذيه المجتمع والأعراف والتقاليد في ظل وصاية مجتمعية ويظهر في ممارسات عديدة تزيد من العبء الواقع على النساء وتؤكد على اختلال العدالة وعدم المساواة.

كما أن القوالب النمطية الجنسانية خاصة التراكمية والمتقاطعة مع قوالب نمطية أخرى يمكن أن يكون لها تأثير سلبي مضاعف على فئات معينة من النساء، مثل النساء ذوات الإعاقة، والنساء المنحدرات من الطبقات الدنيا أو ذوات الوضع الاقتصادي المتدني، والنساء المهاجرات.

ولذلك من الضروري العمل على زيادة الوعي لمواجهة الوصم والتنميط الذي يحيط بالنساء والفتيات، إلى جانب العمل على تغيير الثقافة المجتمعية المعادية للنساء، في الشارع ووسائل الإعلام والمناهج الدراسية، مع الاهتمام بوضع سياسات عامة لمواجهة التنميط والعنف القائم على النوع الاجتماعي وتقديم صورة إيجابية وواقعية للمرأة بعيدا عن الصورة النمطية.

Joining forces to intensify efforts



My Safe Work is a Priority campaign

The "My Safe Work is a Priority" campaign, which started on April 28, the World Day for Safety and Health at Work, and ended on May 1, the Labor Day in Egypt, focused on providing the necessary protection for women in the work environment, especially since they represent the category that is subject to various forms of attacks that affect their rights as workers, such as: arbitrary dismissal, deprivation of equal wages with men who do the same job, and employers' failure to adhere to legal working hours. In addition to other violations such as sexual, physical and psychological violence.

The campaign came out with a proposal for procedures in light of Convention No. 190 of the International Labor Organization, and on the other hand, it represents the application and activation of a number of basic human rights, stipulated in the Human Rights Law and also in the Egyptian Constitution. So that the official authority in Egypt can take them to provide every working woman with a safe work environment. In partnership with a group of civil society institutions and initiatives: Super Women, Al-Noon for Family Care, Free Southern Foundation, Solomon Podcast, and efforts to support human rights defenders.

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This webinar mainly discussed the issue of safe work environment and how we can enhance the safety and security of workers in work environments in various service and economic activities. The discussion focused on providing protection for women - in particular - as they bear the brunt of various forms of discrimination and violence in the work environment. The webinar also discussed ILO Convention No. 190 and its importance in achieving a safe work environment, and Egypt's position on it, in addition to the national efforts currently being made to provide a safe work environment, whether by the government or civil society organizations.



Eye on Sudan

The campaign aimed to draw the world's attention to the repercussions of the ongoing war in Sudan since April 15th until the writing of this statement

The fighting began on the morning of April 15th, 2023 between the Sudanese army forces and the Rapid Support Forces militias in the heart of the capital Khartoum

The Rapid Support Forces militias were able to extend their control over large parts of the capital Khartoum, Darfur State and Al-Jazeera. The government moved to the city of Port Sudan overlooking the Red Sea.

The expansion of the militia's control and the repeated withdrawal of army forces from sites with large populations affected the delivery of humanitarian aid and accelerated the destruction of infrastructure, which affected access to basic services, energy and electricity services and access to water throughout the country and in areas most affected by the conflict.



About ${\tt 15}$ million people are now in need of urgent health assistance in Sudan

Nine million people have been forcibly displaced from their homes, farms have been looted and farmers' crops have been stolen by armed forces, whether regular or not, preventing the entry of relief supplies into areas under the control of opponents and using starvation as a weapon of war.

The humanitarian situation in Sudan has reached a post-catastrophic collapse stage and the devastating effects are being felt by citizens, both men and women, without exception. We are well aware of the specific effects of armed conflict on women, children, people with disabilities and other marginalized groups, so this campaign has tried to review the context of the situation in Sudan, especially since we are on the brink of a cholera outbreak.

Workshops and trainings



Exploring and learning advocacy methods and tools

A number of sexual and reproductive health issues are not widely known, and at best are met with denial or ridicule, as the social context works to reduce women's pain and complaints. In order for Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality to spread awareness of women's and girls' issues, the Foundation held a training workshop "Exploring and learning advocacy methods and tools in health and sexual education issues" over three consecutive days, during which participants were able to learn how to create a digital advocacy campaign in sexual education issues, starting from analyzing the campaign topic and the general context and up to the

follow-up and evaluation stage

The first session was moderated by Dr. Salma Emad, who discussed the importance of health and sexual education and how to work on sexual and reproductive health issues and topics according to age targets.

The second and third sessions were moderated by trainer Mr. Mahmoud Abdel Zaher, who discussed the nature of advocacy, its principles and levels, and how to plan digital advocacy campaigns, starting from analyzing the topic and up to the evaluation and follow-up stage.

In the fourth session, the trainer, Dr. Amr Wagih, discussed the topic of how to create advocacy campaigns on social media and deal with the digital audience on sexual and reproductive health issues







Monitoring and Evaluation Workshop

Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality held a two-day monitoring and evaluation skills workshop for its team, as part of the project to enhance health protection for women and girls (Her Right to Decide), between February 22 and 23. The workshop provided the information and monitoring and evaluation skills required to help the team develop a monitoring plan and be able to develop and implement monitoring and evaluation activities during the different stages of the project.

During the workshop, the team was able to identify the importance of monitoring and evaluation and the differences between them. Their ability to design a monitoring and evaluation plan for their projects developed, in addition to identifying the different types of evaluations and determining the type of study appropriate for the different stages of the project. On the other hand, the participants learned about the different methodologies, mechanisms and tools for collecting data.





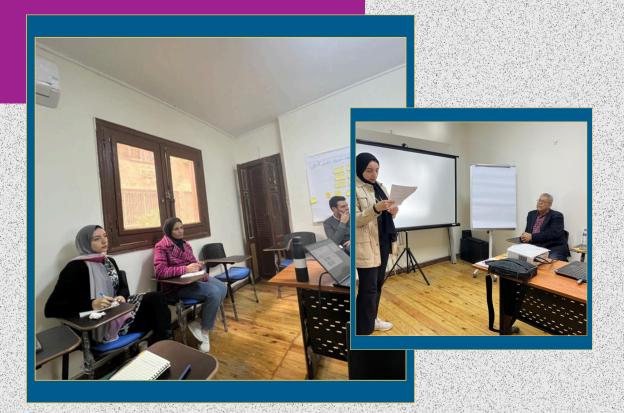


Digital Security Workshop

Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality held a digital safety workshop for the work team, within the framework of the project to enhance health protection for women and girls (Her Right to Decide), which lasted for two days, with the aim of developing their digital safety and security behaviors while they are in the digital space.

The workshop covered several topics, the most important of which were: learning about digital security, threats on the Internet, and computer operating systems. In addition to the above, participants were able to learn how to deal with various threats and secure their personal accounts on social media platforms.





Strategic Planning Workshop

Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality held a strategic planning workshop for the work team, within the framework of the project to enhance health protection for women and girls (Her Right to Decide), over two days, to develop the team's skills in the area of institutional planning.

During the two days, the team was able to learn how to develop a strategic plan for the organization by defining its vision, mission and general principles. In addition to identifying strengths, weaknesses. opportunities and challenges and how to address them, and on the other hand, identifying issues that can be worked on during the period following the workshop.



Various activities

Anti-Discrimination Commission Launch Conference



The Anti-Discrimination Commission Working Group held its first press conference to announce the establishment of the task force and its plan to push for the Anti-Discrimination Commission Law on Wednesday, July 10.

The task force was formed by the Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality and a number of civil society organizations and Front for Egyptian initiatives: the National Future Builders Association. Women, the Egyptians Without Borders Foundation. Superwomen Initiative, Moanath Salem Initiative, Cairo Foundation for Development and Law, and the Egyptian Women's Issues Foundation, in addition to individuals joining at the invitation of the Serious Women Foundation to discuss the establishment οf an anti-discrimination commission, which is stipulated in the 2014 Constitution, but no law has been issued regarding it yet



consultative meeting to discuss progress and challenges in implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action



Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality hosted a consultative meeting with a number of civil society organizations working on women's issues and feminist initiatives; To discuss the efforts of civil and national institutions and organizations concerned with women's issues, and the progress made and challenges facing the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action 30 years after its adoption in 1995 during the Fourth World Conference on Women. The meeting was attended by (Women's Issues Foundation, New Woman Foundation, Cairo Foundation for Development and Law, Egyptians Without Borders Foundation, Noon Foundation for Family Care, Your Voice Initiative, My Right Initiative, Bar Aman Initiative, Mo'net Salem Initiative, Sand Initiative).





Discussion session Her body, her right and her right to decide

From the "Her Body Her Right and Her Right is to Decide" salon, which was held in partnership between Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality and Superwoman Initiative, to discuss body ownership and medical decision-making related to the uterus, with attendees sharing their own experiences and learning about the tools they can use to protect their rights related to their bodies. The salon was attended by the Executive Director of **Edraak Foundation for Development and** Equality, Nagwa Ibrahim, the Executive Director of Superwoman Initiative, Aya Mounir, Dr. Salma Emad, Advocacy Officer at the Women's Health Education Program at Edraak Foundation, and a large number of active participants.



Podcast Her body, her right and her right to decide



In this episode of the podcast, the social stigma surrounding visiting gynecology clinics, especially for unmarried women, is addressed. The speakers discuss how only married women are allowed to visit gynecologists, while it is considered inappropriate for unmarried girls to do so. The question is: Are gynecological diseases only for married women? They share real-life cases of teenage and adult girls who were denied treatment simply because they were not married, reflecting the impact of societal misconceptions on women's health and their rights to medical care.

To listen to the episode on:





Regionally

Moderated by Ms. Nagwa Ibrahim - Executive Director of Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality for the session "Freedom from Violence, Stigma and Stereotypes"





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Ms. Nagwa Ibrahim's intervention during the Arab Women's Civil Society Network's convening of parallel regional consultations to assess progress made in implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform after thirty years, in which she spoke about stigma and stereotyping as one of the forms of violence faced by women and girls, and pointed out the importance of working to eliminate it through networking and joint cooperation.

Speech by Ms. Nagwa Ibrahim during the conference to launch the parallel regional report on the Beijing +30 Platform for Action



During the conference held by the Arab Network for Women's Civil Society for parallel regional consultations to assess the progress made in implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform after thirty years, Najwa Ibrahim, Executive Director of Edraak Foundation, stressed the importance of involving young women at various levels, whether in international platforms, regional conferences, or national work.

She explained that this is the first time that the Arab region has issued a joint report parallel to the Beijing Report, which represents a great opportunity for greater interventions at the regional and international levels for Arab countries, as Edraak worked to issue the Egypt Report and then the Arab Region Report in cooperation with a number of civil society institutions and initiatives in various countries.

General issues at the national level

Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality issued a statement condemning the statement of the Egyptian Olympic Committee regarding boxer Yomna Ayad on July 28.



Text of the statement

The menstrual cycle is not shameful, but the shameful thing is that we do not follow up on the athlete to know the timing of her ovulation, and take the necessary precautions for weight gain and hormonal changes during this period. We condemn the statement of the head of the mission, which reinforces the stigma of the menstrual cycle in society, and makes disclosing it contrary to customs and traditions, which are the same customs and traditions that increase the monthly suffering of women and girls and help isolate them from the public sphere.

The menstrual cycle is a natural matter related to the health of women and girls. Do all girls and women participating in the Olympic Games not have their periods during the games? Of course not, and that is why we must take this issue into consideration, in terms of following up on the timing and dates of the menstrual cycle for 6 months, taking into account weight gain resulting from fluid retention, and prescribing medications that may be delayed until after the Olympic Games.

Are the Egyptian mission leaders and the accompanying doctors taking the circumstances of women and girls seriously, or are they evading responsibility and placing the burden on the players and helping to stigmatize them?

Edraak Foundation issued a statement regarding the irresponsible statements of a gynecologist, in cooperation with the "Her Body is Her Right and Her Right is Decided" campaign team, in addition to the participation of a number of citizens by sharing their signatures.



We, the undersigned group, condemn what was stated in the circulated video of an obstetrician and gynecologist in which she spoke about cases of women who arrived at the hospital where she works. The doctor did not respect the ethics of the profession, as she issued moral judgments in advance about the patients while talking about them in a crude sarcastic manner, which we consider a blatant violation of the ethics of the profession and a breach of the foundations of health care that require neutrality and respect for patients, their feelings and their privacy.

The doctor interfered in the details of the patients' personal lives and projected her beliefs onto her professional practice. In the video that was widely circulated on social media, she encouraged physical violence against girls and beating them by their parents as a method of upbringing, attacking modern education schools, claiming that they are the cause of moral corruption.

We therefore confirm that these actions undermine women's confidence in the healthcare system and exacerbate the psychological effects on women and girls who seek medical assistance for sensitive issues related to their bodies and health. We also emphasize that protecting the dignity and privacy of patients and maintaining their confidentiality are among the basic principles that the medical profession adheres to, and that any violation of this principle is a clear violation of professional ethics.

We have previously addressed the problems of gynecologists' dealings with female and female patients and the extent of women's ability to deal with the medical system and make medical decisions, during the "Her Body is Her Right, Her Right is Decided" campaign. We noticed from the testimonies of some women and girls that they were uncomfortable dealing with gynecologists for fear of projections and biases in dealing.

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الاجتماعي للمبادرات والنظمات النسوية، وجاء على رأس الأولويات: "ضرورة مواصلة العمل وبذل الچهد المُشترك بتشكيل مجموعة عمل دائمة. للاشتباك والتفاعل من خلال أنشطة المناصرة والتوعية المندة. لتعزيز حقوق الصحة الجنسية Journalist Hajar Othman published a report on the "Her Body, Her Right and Her Right to Decided" campaign on the "fakr tny" platform, in which she discussed the campaign's vision of breaking taboos and misconceptions about women's bodies and the right of women and girls to make medical decisions regarding their bodies without the guardianship of male relatives.

Several press sites, such as Darb, Al-Manasa, and Al-Bawaba News, published the opinion of the Edraak Foundation for Development and Equality regarding the irresponsible statements made by the gynecologist, especially after the Medical Syndicate's response and positive action regarding the doctor.



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