ADDRESSING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

Gender-based violence (GBV) refers to any harmful act against an individual or group based upon their sexual or gender identity. Disproportionately affecting women and girls, GBV can include sexual, physical, mental and economic harm carried out in public or in private. Although GBV can occur at any point in a person’s life, the risk increases considerably during humanitarian crises.

GBV INCLUDES

- Sexual Assault
- Child, Early and Forced Marriages
- Denying Access to Economic Resources
- Sex Trafficking
- Intimate Partner Violence
- Female Genital Mutilation
- Psychological and Emotional Abuse
- Stalking

THE PROBLEM

1 in 3 women experiences GBV in their lifetime.

Since the COVID-19 pandemic, 1 in 2 women report that they or a woman they know have experienced violence.

200 million women have experienced female genital mutilation or cutting.

Globally, as many as 38% of murders of women are committed by an intimate partner.

OUR APPROACH

PREVENTION
By increasing community awareness and employing social and behavior change strategies, we prevent GBV and challenge harmful practices.

MITIGATION
By establishing effective redressal systems and adopting Do No Harm (DNH) policies, we mitigate the risks of GBV with safe programming.

RESPONSE
By strengthening the capacity of national and community-based health systems and enabling survivors to access comprehensive care through improved referral pathways, we respond to GBV and promote community resilience.

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