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Women are the Backbone of Society

The role of women in the development of society is of the utmost importance

Women are the backbone of families and societies. They bring life and joy into the world. When a country's economy and overall situation change, women take the lead in helping their families adjust to new realities and challenges. They play an important role in facilitating changes in family life, and they are usually the main caregivers, holding their families and communities together. The role of women in society ensures the stability, progress, and long-term development of nations.

Extensive research has proven that women and girls are the most negatively affected by emergencies and crises. Crises are usually associated with images of violence and grief. Women and their everyday needs may be dismissed and considered secondary. However, KSrelief prioritizes women's rights to dignity, to socio-economic empowerment, and to their safety and wellbeing by providing emergency gender-based violence services, in partnership with international organizations.

KSrelief Women-Focused Projects:



113,688,084
Beneficiaries



533,746,786
USD



815
Projects



70+
Beneficiary Countries

Sectors:

- 🍷 Food and Agriculture Security
- ⌘ Multi-Cluster
- 🏥 Health
- 🏠 Shelter and Non-Food Items
- Early Recovery
- 🛡️ Protection
- ⌘ Humanitarian and Emergency Relief Coordination
- 🍽️ Nutrition
- 🚰 WASH
- 📖 Education
- 🚚 Logistics



Providing Emergency Gender-Based Violence Services for the Most Vulnerable Women and Girls in Yemen

KSrelief and UNFPA implemented this project to enhance gender-based violence (GBV) services for Yemeni women and girls. The project enabled women and girls to receive a comprehensive package of services to meet their immediate needs, and established centers for their protection and empowerment. By working closely with affected populations, the project aimed to improve the physical and mental wellbeing of women and girls.

Governorates:

Aden, Lahij,
Hadramawt, Al Mahrah,
Ma'rib, Shabwah

Beneficiaries:

78,800+
women and girls were reached

Services:

- Women and girls' safe spaces (WGSS)
- Empowerment grants to GBV survivors
- Legal assistance
- Psychosocial counseling

Protecting and Empowering Women and Girls Affected by Gender-Based Violence in Yemen

KSrelief and UN Women launched the project with the overall goal of promoting self-reliance and social cohesion for displaced and vulnerable women in communities in areas affected by the ongoing conflict in Yemen. Specifically, the project aimed to support women's access to livelihoods and increase protection for women and girls from all forms of violence.

Objectives:

1. Increase access to specialized psycho-social, protection and legal services.
2. Promote economic opportunities and positive coping mechanisms.
3. Developing training manuals and materials focusing on protection and economic empowerment, especially in conflict situations.

Services:

- Psychological support and GBV services
- Legal assistance
- Childcare
- Hotline services



>>> Escaping Abuse: Samah's Search for Freedom

Samah, a 33-year-old GBV survivor from Aden.

"This shelter has helped me to start a new life. I have regained my freedom! I now have the right mindset and qualifications."

After their first year of marriage, problems arose between Samah and her husband. The abuse began verbally, then became physical. The situation escalated even more, to the point that her husband would attempt to burn and even to imprison her. Samah tried to be patient and hope for a change, but to no avail.

One day, Samah's husband left for work one day without locking the door. Samah escaped and sought help from her family, but they refused to accept her. She went to an old friend, who offered to take her to a women's shelter, "Women and Girls' Safe Spaces (WGSS)" in Aden, which was funded by KSrelief.

"I have two daughters, ages two and one," Samah revealed. "When I ran away, I called my sister-in-law to take care of them. This was the most difficult decision of my life, but I had to save myself from this hell".

The shelter manager took a risk and decided to contact Samah's husband to convince him to grant her a settlement and a divorce. At first, he was very angry and was not willing to cooperate. However, the manager did not give up; with continuous effort, and with the help of the husband's brother, they were able to reach an agreement. The shelter provided Samah with legal support, and she was reunited with her daughters as part of the divorce settlement.

While at the shelter, Samah received psychosocial support and skills training. The shelter provided a job opportunity for Samah at a local humanitarian organization. Today, Samah is living in her own home with her two daughters. She is financially self-sufficient, and is even able to help support the rest of her family.



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