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Take away on  
**Sexual and Gender  
Based Violence**

## Training on role of health workers in the cases of GBV

FWLD conducted training program on Role of Health workers in the cases of Gender Based Violence Training was focused on the capacity enhancement of health workers during the service provided to the victims of GBV. The training included sessions on overview of GBV, guiding principles for working with survivors and identification, case studies, health service to victim of GBV, forensic examination, psychosocial counseling among many.

District : Bajura



**FIRST EVENT**

November 6 – 9, 2022



**SECOND EVENT**

November 10 – 13, 2022



## Dialogue on the roles of Local Level in addressing GBV

FWLD conducted a district level workshop with 2 local level governments was conducted. Mayors, Deputy Mayors and Chief Executive Officers of both municipalities along with the ward chairs and ward members, Executive member, member of judiciary committee and conciliator participated as the

attendees of the workshop. An intensive discussion was done in the workshop. Issues of discussion were cost-sharing of the safe house, effective service from OCMC, establishment and functioning of GBV Elimination Fund, referral pathway, appointment of protection officer and others.



11th November, 2022  
Jaya Prithivi  
Municipality and  
Bithadchir Rural  
Municipality,  
Bajhang



14th December, 2022  
Mangalsen  
Municipality,  
Safebagar Municipality  
and Kamalbazar  
Municipality,  
Accham



18th December, 2022  
Badimalika  
Municipality  
and Budiganga  
Municipality,  
Bajura

## Dialogue on Role of Kathmandu Metropolitan City to Address GBV



A Program on policy dialogue on role of Metropolitan City to address GBV was jointly organized by FWLD and Kathmandu Metropolitan on December 2, 2022 at Sap Falcha, Babarmahal. Ward Chair of Ward number 11, who is also the chair of the Legislative Committee Mr. Hira Kaji Chandukar chaired the program. Mr. Deepak Adhikari, department head of The Social Development Department of the

Metropolitan presented on the current affairs and works of the metropolitan. Advocate Meera Dhungana from FWLD presented on the laws in GBV and Advocate Sabin Shrestha presented on the policies and GBV Fund. Ward chairs, ward secretaries, ward members judicial committee members and journalists were the guests of the program.

## Dialogue program on the implementation of laws against sexual violence

A dialogue program on the implementation of laws against sexual violence was conducted on 29th December, 2022 in Kathmandu. The event saw participation of Undersecretary of Office of Prime Minister and Council of Ministers and Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizen, representatives from Ministry of Law and Parliamentary Affairs, head of Department of Social Development (Kathmandu Metropolitan City), ward secretary of ward office-11 (Kathmandu), advocates, police officers and law students.



# Interactive Orientation with Multi Sectoral Service Provider to Address GBV from Victim Centric Approach



## BAJHANG

8th - 12th November, 2022

FWLD conducted "Interactive Orientation with Multi Sectoral Service Provider to Address GBV From Victim Centric Approach" in Bajhang District from 8th to 12th November, 2022. Representatives from District police office, district court, district government attorney office, district hospital (OCMC), chairperson, member and secretary of judicial committee of Jaya Prithivi Municipality and Bithadchir Rural

Municipality, Safe house, Legal aid committee and mediators actively participated in the training. In total, 15 sessions were conducted interactively related to gender, patriarchy, sexuality, laws to address GBV, role of local judicial committee, rights of crime victim, mock trial sessions, compensation and interim relief in the case of GBV, psychosocial counseling to the victim and communication skills. Participants appreciated

the modality of the training and infographic videos in different theme. Participants from different agencies expressed their strong commitment to response to GBV from victim centric approach and coordinate and support each other to provide effective service to the victim of GBV. The program was facilitated by Sr. Advocate Meera Dhungana, Advocate Nabin Kumar Shrestha and Ms. Ratna Maya Lama.



## BAJURA

15th - 19th November, 2022

FWLD conducted "Interactive Orientation with Multi Sectoral Service Provider to Address GBV From Victim Centric Approach " in Bajura District from 15th to 19th December, 2022. Mayor of Badimalika Municipality graced the opening ceremony as Chief Guest. Representatives from district police office, district court, district government attorney office, district hospital (OCMC), chairperson, member and secretary of judicial committee of Badimalika Municipality and Budiganga Municipality, Safe house, Legal aid committee, district bar association, psycho-social counselors and mediators actively participated in the training. In total, 15 sessions were conducted interactively related to gender, patriarchy, sexuality, laws to address GBV, role of local judicial committee, rights of crime victim, mock trail sessions, compensation and interim relief in the case of GBV and communication skills. Participants appreciated the modality of the training and showed common commitment to work together to end GBV. Further, they stated that they will provide service from victim centric approach and coordinate and support each other to provide justice to the victim of GBV.



## Discussion on Creating Safe Space with Beneficiaries



A discussion program on creating safe space with beneficiaries was conducted on November 3 2022 at Hukum Darbar, Kathmandu.

The discussion programs were conducted with three groups of food and non food item beneficiaries (Group A 10AM - 12PM, Group B 1PM - 3 Pm) supported by CAC Nepal and Maiti Nepal. The main point of the program was to train the beneficiaries on laws and legal protection mechanism and also about legal identity and citizenship.

## Leadership building training



FWLD organized a Capacity Building Program in collaboration with Jagriti Mahila Mahasangh on 16 November 2022 where Adv. Binu Lama and Advocate Roshana Pradhan oriented the participants on the importance of Citizenship' and legal identity, process of acquiring the citizenship and sexual and gender-based violence and how FWLD has been providing legal assistance. The participants also discussed their stories and their hardships on the above issue.

### Writ petition demanding legal recognition of marriage of gender and sexual minorities

FWLD and Mitini Nepal jointly filed a writ petition on December 5, 2022 demanding legal recognition of marriage of gender and sexual minorities amending the current provisions related to marriage in the National Civil Code, 2074. The writ petitioners are Laxmi Ghalan and Sarita KC from Mitini Nepal and Advocate Sabin Shrestha, Advocate Binu Lama, Advocate Roshana Pradhan, Advocate Deepesh Shrestha and Advocate Dechen Lama from FWLD.



◦ Campaign against Gender Based Violence ◦

## Discussion Program to Address Gender Based Violence and Effective Service Delivery



On the occasion of 16 days violence against women, the Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizen (MoWCSC), Koshish and FWLD jointly organized a program on December 7, 2022. The Chief Guest of the Program was the Minister of Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizen Honorable Uma Regmi. The program was chaired by the Secretary of the Ministry, Mr. Dilliram Sharma. Three working papers were presented in the program where the Joint Secretary of the Ministry Ms. Laxmi Kumari Basnet presented

on the updates of works done by the Ministry, Matrika Poudel from Koshish presented on Impact on mental health due to violence and Advocate Sabin Shrestha from FWLD presented on the Gender Based Violence Laws, its implementation status and service delivery. An interaction round was conducted after the three papers were presented. Representatives from government, non-governmental organizations, police and journalists were the attendees of the program.

On the occasion of 43rd CEDAW Anniversary

**Addressing Sexual Violence in Nepal: Awareness and Prevention**

December 18, 2022  
Time: 3:00 - 4:00 pm

<https://www.facebook.com/first.org>

**MAHARATI BASHA**  
Member, FAI (Forum) Committee

**SHREKSHNA**  
Koshish President, FAI

**MANIKA BISHET**  
FAI  
Minister of Women, Children and Senior Citizen

**DEBBIKA LAMA**  
Member, FAI

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FWLD



Addressing Sexual Violence in Nepal: Prevention and Awareness...  
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**Released Legal Information on TikTok on the occasion of 16 Days Campaign against Gender Based Violence**

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

Discrimination is punishable offense

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

साइबर हिंसा विरुद्धको कानुन

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

"नाई" भनेको नाई नै हो

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

बोक्सीको आरोप पनि महिला विरुद्धको हिंसा हो

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

बहुविवाह विरुद्धको कानुन

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

तेजाब जन्य हिंसा पनि महिला विरुद्ध हुने हिंसा हो

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

स्थानीय तहमा लैङ्गिक हिंसा निवारण कोषको स्थापना गरौं

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

वैवाहिक बलात्कार विरुद्धको कानुन

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

जबर्जस्ती करणी गम्भीर अपराध हो, यस विरुद्ध आवाज उठाउँ !

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

ILO महासन्धि १९० अनुमोदन गरौं

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

प्रजनन स्वास्थ्य अधिकार विरुद्धका कार्य लैङ्गिक हिंसा हो

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

दाईजो प्रथा अन्त्य मरो

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

बाल विवाह विरुद्ध अवाज उठाऔं

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

महिनावारी भएको अवस्थामा गरिने छुवाछुत अपराध हो

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

गर्भपतनलाई अपराधिकरण गर्ने कानूनी व्यवस्थाहरु खारेज मरो

16 DAYS Campaign  
Against Gender Based Violence

मानव बेचबिखन विरुद्धको कानूनको संशोधन



Take away on  
**Access to Justice**

**Consultation program with Service Providers**



↑ *13th October  
2022, Nepalgunj*



↑ *28th November,  
2022, Ilam*

FWLD organized consultation program with service providers on access to justice of women and marginalized group and use of e-justice system during COVID-19 pandemic. Representatives from District Court, Office of District Government Attorney, District Police Office, Bheri Provincial Hospital (OCMC), Legal Aid Committee, Judicial Committee (Nepalgunj Sub Metropolitan City, Winrock International, Insec, NHRC province office and District bar association participated in the discussion program. The objective of the program was to map the status of access to justice of women and marginalized community during COVID 19, good practices and challenges faced during delivery of service. Also, the discussion was carried out on the use of e-justice system during covid 19 pandemic and its future prospects.

↓ *4th December  
2022, Surkhet*



↓ *25th December,  
2022, Hetauda*



← *26th December,  
2022, Birgunj*

## Dialogue program with Women and Marginalized Community

FWLD organized dialogue program with women and marginalized community on access to justice of women and marginalized community and use of e-justice system during COVID-19 pandemic. The program was conducted to gather information about the status of access to justice and use of E-justice system during COVID 19 pandemic for the research. Service seekers shared the challenge faced by them during covid 19 while reaching out to judicial sector for justice and their experience while using E-Justice system.

13th October 2022  
Nepalgunj



28th November, 2022  
Ilam



4th December 2022  
Surkhet



25th December 2022  
Makwanpur

26th December 2022  
Parsa



## Take away on **Citizenship/Legal Identity**

### Memorandum on Election Manifesto

FWLD concluded 9 one-to-one meetings on 14 October 2022 with the representatives of 9 different political parties and submitted a memorandum asking the political parties to include citizenship issues, especially amending the current citizenship Act as per the Constitution of Nepal as one of the main agenda in their manifesto in the upcoming general elections. The list of the political parties whom FWLD submitted the memorandum is as follows:

- Nepali Congress
- Communist Party of Nepal (Unified Marxist–Leninist)
- Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist Centre)
- Communist Party of Nepal (Unified Socialist)
- People's Socialist Party, Nepal (Janata Samajbadi Party)
- Democratic Socialist Party, Nepal
- National Democratic Party
- National Democratic Party Nepal (Kamal Thapa)
- National People's Front Party

The all the parties responded positively in this matter.



▲ *Nepali Congress*



▲ *Communist Party of Nepal  
(Unified Marxist–Leninist)*



▲ *Communist Party of Nepal  
(Maoist Centre)*



▲ *People's Socialist Party, Nepal  
(Janata Samajbadi Party)*



▲ *Communist Party of Nepal  
(Unified Socialist)*



▲ *National People's Front Party*



▲ *National Democratic Party*

## Media orientation program on concerns of people without citizenship in the upcoming general elections

FWLD conducted a "Media Orientation Program" on 16th October 2022 at Hukum Darbar, Kathmandu. The topic of the media orientation was, "Concerns of people without citizenship in the upcoming general elections".

The program had 3 speakers who are deprived of their citizenship telling the media to include citizenship issues as one of the main agenda in their manifesto in the upcoming general elections. The speakers were as follows: Indrajit Saphi, Pratik Sunuwar and Farhad Banu.

Advocate Binu Lama Moderated the program and Advocate Sabin Shrestha spoke about the challenges and urgency to amend the citizenship Act according to the constitution and also addressed the questions of the media's representatives.



## Implementation of CEDAW Concluding Recommendation: Ratification of UN Conventions on Statelessness

A Discussion on the "Implementation of CEDAW Concluding Recommendation: Ratification of UN Conventions on Statelessness" was conducted with the representatives of the National Women Commission, National Human Rights Commission, Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizens, Media Persons, Lawyers, NGOs, and various concerned Networks at Hukum Darbar, Kathmandu on October 19, 2022. The president of FWLD Senior Advocate Geeta Aryal chaired the event, the chair of National Women Commission Honorable Kamala Parajuli, the member of National Human Rights Commission Honorable Lily Thapa, the Deputy Secretaries of the MoWCSC Ms. Mamata Bastola and Ms. Mamata Bista graced the event as guests. Advocate Sushama moderated the program, Senior Advocate Meera Dhungana from FWLD shed light on the objectives of the program and Advocate Binu Lama from FWLD presented a presentation on the UN Conventions of Statelessness. Over 50 participants attended the program.



## Discussion with media on the citizenship rights

A discussion program with media on the citizenship rights and issues in context of upcoming general election was conducted on 10th November, 2022 on Dhangadhi, Kailali. The program saw participation of representatives from various media houses and a local representative. Adv. Renu Pradhan Shrestha moderated the program and Adv. Deepesh Shrestha presented on the citizenship issues in context of upcoming general election along with the international obligations of Nepal regarding the citizenship rights.



## Discussion program on Legal Identity (Citizenship and Birth Registration)

FWLD organized a discussion program in collaboration with municipalities to the local government's representatives from all wards including Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chief administrative Officer, Civil registration department, ward-chair and ward secretaries and

lawyers. The objective of the program was to aware the ward of the Municipality the importance of legal documents and legal identity. The roles of the local level government on legal identity were also discussed in the program.



◀ 25th November, 2022  
Dhankuta  
Municipality



◀ 27th November, 2022  
Bhadrapur  
Municipality



◀ 28th November, 2022  
Ghorahi Sub-  
Metropolitan



◀ 30th November, 2022  
Kageshori-Manohara  
Municipality



◀ 30th November, 2022  
Bhimdatta  
Municipality



◀ 14th December, 2022  
Mangalsen  
Municipality,  
Safebagar Municipality  
and Kamalbazar  
Municipality



◀ 15th December, 2022  
Badimalika  
Municipality, Bajura

## Forum theatre on the issue of citizenship through mother

FWLD organized two forum theaters on the issue of citizenship through mother in two different places of Kathmandu on December 30, 2022. The places where the forum theaters were performed were BG Mall, Bus Park and Swoyambhunath, Kathmandu.

The forum theatre was then followed by a discussion with the audience on the issue and how to ensure equal right of Nepali mother to confer citizenship certificate from their name.



FWLD organized two forum theaters on the issue of citizenship through mother in two different places of Lalitpur on December 31, 2022. The places where the forum theaters were performed were Patan Durbar Square and Shankhapark, Lalitpur.

The forum theatre was then followed by a discussion with the audience on the issue and how to resolve the challenges.





## Take away on **Sexual and Reproductive Health Right**



### Interactive discussion program with journalists

On 17th October 2022, FWLD and Ipas Nepal organized an interactive discussion program with editors, sub-editors, desk-editors and journalists on the issue of reproductive health and safe abortion.

The program was graced by guests from Lumbini Province, Provincial Health Directorate.

Director Dr. Binod Giri and Senior Public Health Trainer Dr. Roshan Lal Chaudhary.

Based on the group activity among journalists, Advocate Sabin Shrestha from FWLD presented on the role of editors and journalists in ensuring journalism of safe abortion from human rights perspective.

Advocate Neha Gurung of FWLD moderated the program, Ms. Madhabi Bajracharya of Ipas Nepal shed light on the objective of the program and Advocate Nabin Shrestha gave a vote of thanks after a short remark by the Director Dr. Giri

## Orientation program for multi-stakeholders

On 18th October 2022, FWLD and Ipas Nepal organized an orientation program for multi-stakeholders on the issue of safe abortion rights and OCMC. Ms. Madhabi Bajracharya of Ipas gave presentation on the Laws, Policies, and Practices in Nepal. Advocate Sabin Shrestha from FWLD presented on the roles of multi-stakeholders in ensuring safe abortion service as a right within OCMC. Advocate Nabin Shrestha conducted the group discussion on case studies. Special guests were Medical Superintendent of Kapilvastu District Hospital Dr. Kishore Banjade, and Officer of Health Office, Kapilvastu Mr. Aniruddha Srivastav. Furthermore, other participants included representatives from OCMC, District Police, District Attorney General, Judicial Committee, Mediators, and health service providers among others. The program was moderated by the Health Officer of Family Planning Supervisor, Mr. Pravash Panthi.



## Policy Dialogue to discuss Amendment of SMRHR Act

On 9 November 2022, Family Welfare Division (FWD) organized a policy dialogue with experts to discuss on the amendment of Safe Motherhood and Reproductive Health Rights Act, 2075. The dialogue was held among Under Secretary from Law Department of the Ministry of Health and Population (MoHP), FWD, legal experts from FWLD and medical experts in reproductive health. The meeting was a continuation of previous policy discussions on the issue and was focused on receiving experts opinion on the amendment proposal. FWLD provided the expert and logistic support to conduct the program. The meeting discussed in detail on the need for amendment proposal of SMRHR Act. Advocate Sabin Shrestha briefed the meeting on the issue and Nepal's international commitment.



## RHRWG Meeting



On 17th November 2022, FWLD (as a secretariat) organized the meeting of Reproductive Health Rights Working Group (RHRWG) to discuss on three major agendas :

- Update and discuss on amendment bill of SMRHR Act.
- Review of National Safe Abortion Day Celebration, held on 25 & 26 September.
- Plan any possible activities to celebrate the 16 days campaign on Violence Against Women from SRHR perspective.

## Panel Discussion linking RH violation with GBV

On 8th December, 2022 FWLD and Ipas Nepal organized a panel discussion program to discuss the understanding of "violation of reproductive health rights as an integral part of Gender-Based Violence (GBV). The event also marked the occasion of international dignified menstrual day. The program was chaired by FWLD's president Senior Advocate Gita Aryal. The panelists included Ms. Roshani Karki, Joint Secretary of the GESI Department of MoHP, Ms. Chhiring Kippa Lama, DSP Nepal Police, and Pratikshya Nepal, Patan, OCMC focal person. The panel session was hosted by Advocate Nabin kumar Shrestha while the moderation was done by Advocate Neha Gurung Ms. Madhabi Bajracharya of Ipas Nepal gave welcome remarks and shared the objective of the program.

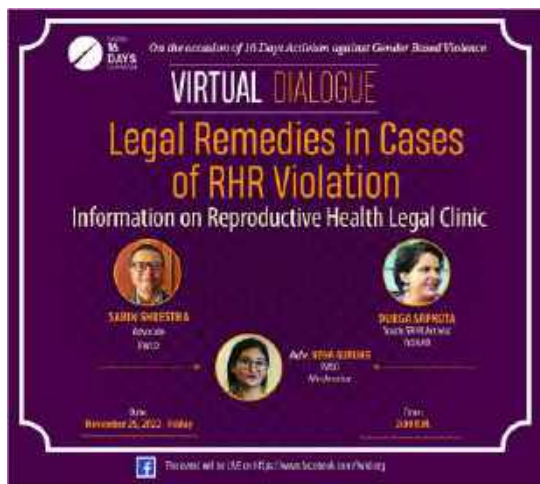


# Strategic Meeting to Strengthen Right to Safe Abortion



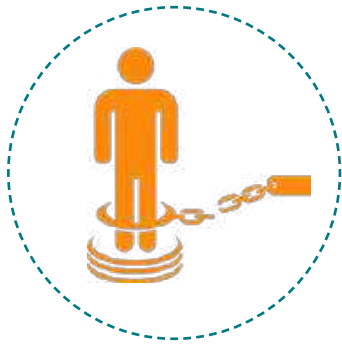
On 11th December 2022, FWLD and CRR conducted a strategic meeting with stakeholders to discuss the status of advocacy and implementation of safe abortion rights in Nepal. The meeting was productive in mapping the possible solution and

way forward in strengthening SAS rights in Nepal. The discussion was led by Advocate Purna Shrestha as a presenter. While Advocate Neha Gurung moderated the program.



FB Live on RH Legal Clinic  
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Take away on

# Implementation of Palermo Protocol

## Workshop with lawyers on necessary amendment of laws

FWLD organized a workshop with lawyers on necessary amendment of laws to make it inline with the Palermo Protocol on 7 December 2022. FWLD presented the proposed amendments on anti trafficking laws where the lawyers provided their feedback and suggestions.



## Discussion meeting with concerned civil society organizations



FWLD organized a discussion meeting with concerned civil society organizations on necessary amendment of laws to make it inline with the Palermo Protocol on 8 December 2022. FWLD presented the proposed amendments on anti-trafficking laws where the CSOs provided their feedback and suggestions.



## Take away on **Child's Rights**

**बाल अधिकार:  
बनौं सबै जिम्मेवार**

रेडियो कार्यक्रम

शनिवार बिहान १०:३० बजेदेखि ८:०० बजेसम्म

पुनः प्रसारण:  
आइतबार साँझ ६:०० बजेदेखि ६:३० बजेसम्म

रेडियो सगरमाथा  
एफ. एम. १०२.४ मेगाहर्ज

Logos: UNICEF, FWLD, 102.4 FM

### Eight episode

**Child Sexual Exploitation and  
Legal Aspects**

**Aired on: – Oct 3, 2022**

**Speaker: Dechen Lama, Advocate**  
<https://youtu.be/5xvyjpRfyHU>

### Nineth episode

**Child Rights and Convention on  
the Rights of the Child**

**Aired on: Oct 10, 2022**

**Speaker: Binu Lama, Advocate**  
<https://youtu.be/IXLjBm36tZE>

### Tenth episode

**Causes, Symptoms and Solutions  
of Psycho-social and Mental  
Problems in Children**

**Aired on: Oct. 16, 2022**

**Speaker: Mr. Pitambar Koirala,  
TPO Nepal**  
<https://youtu.be/v02Lk8j3JBc>

## Orientation program on legal provisions relating to child protection

FWLD conducted an orientation program to local facilitators regarding the community outreach on legal provisions relating to child protection. The program saw the participation of lawyers and

a representative from local level. Adv. Deepesh Shrestha presented on the legal provisions relating to child protection in Nepal.



*Butwal, Lumbini Province  
17th October, 2022*



*Dhangadi, Sudurpaschim Province  
9th November, 2022*

## Workshop with key CRVS stakeholder



A 2-day workshop with key CRVS stakeholder for implementation of eCRVS system was conducted from 13th to 14th November, 2022 in Dhulikhel, Kavre. The workshop was organized by Department of National ID and Civil Registration (DNICR) and National Statistics Office (NSO) with the logistic

support from UNICEF and FWLD. The workshop saw participation of director general, directors, joint secretaries, computer engineers, system analyst, data base administrators of DNICR and NSO, and representatives from UNICEF, WHO, GIZ, UNFPA and FWLD.

## Community Outreach Program regarding the legal provisions of child protection



**Date** : 11th November, 2022  
**Venue** : Kotihawa, Tilottama Municipality-15, Butwal  
**Facilitator** : Adv. Nagendra Bashyal  
**Participants** : Students and the local representatives



**Date** : 11th November, 2022  
**Venue** : Gautam Budhha Secondary School, Kapilbastu, Lumbini Province  
**Facilitator** : Kamala Bahik  
**Participants** : Students of the school and the local representatives



**Date** : 11th November, 2022  
**Venue** : Shree Mahatma Higher Secondary School, Chiprahiya, Lumbini Province  
**Facilitator** : Adv. Sadhana Pandey  
**Participants** : Students of the school



**Date** : 11th November, 2022  
**Venue** : Janata Secondary School, Butwal Sub-metropolitan City-8, Lumbini Province  
**Facilitator** : Adv. Gomati Sunar (Deepa)  
**Participants** : Students of the school and a local representative.



**Date** : 12th November, 2022  
**Venue** : Rupandehi Lilaram High School, Siddharthanagar-8, Lumbini Province  
**Facilitator** : Adv. Shyam Raj Ghimire  
**Participants** : Students of the school and the local representatives



**Date** : 1st December, 2022  
**Venue** : Dhangadi Sub-metropolitan City-2, Sudurpaschim Province  
**Facilitator** : Adv. Renu Pradhan (Shrestha)  
**Participants** : Students of the school and the local representatives



**Date** : 3rd December, 2022  
**Venue** : Tikapur Municipality-9, Jhunga, Sudurpaschim Province  
**Facilitator** : Adv. Kamal Bahadur Dhama  
**Participants** : School level students of the community



**Date** : 3rd December, 2022  
**Venue** : Janaki-7, Latakaniya, Kailali, Sudurpaschim Province  
**Facilitator** : Adv. Lok Bahadur Chaudhary  
**Participants** : School level students of the community



**Date** : 3rd December, 2022  
**Venue** : Hasanpur, Dhangadi Sub-metropolitan City-5, Sudurpaschim Province  
**Facilitator** : Adv. Suvash Chandra Upadhyaya  
**Participants** : School level students of the community



**Date** : 6th December, 2022  
**Venue** : Dhangadi Namuna Pravidhi School, Dhangadi, Sudurpaschim Province  
**Facilitator** : Adv. Paras Basnet  
**Participants** : School level students of the community

## Local level dialogue

FWLD conducted a local level dialogue titled “Establishing and Strengthening Appropriate Service for Women and Children subject to Violence”.



16th December, 2022  
Bajura, Sudurpaschim  
Province



17th December, 2022  
Safebagar, Achham,  
Sudurpaschim  
Province



21st December, 2022  
Tilotama Municipality,  
Lumbini Province

## Legal provisions on parenting and child custody in Nepal

A discussion program regarding the legal provisions on parenting and child custody in Nepal was conducted on 17th December, 2022 in Butwal, Lumbini Province. Lawyers, police officers, members of Judicial Committee, representatives from Child Rights Organization, child care homes and foster parents were presented in the discussion program.





Take away on

# Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM)

## Consultation Meeting

FWLD/WFDM under SUPER Project organized a Consultation Meetings on GEDSI Responsive in Provincial, District and Local Level Disaster Planning and Response.



◀ 5th December, 2022  
Surkhet



◀ 6th December, 2022  
Nepalgunj



◀ 20th December, 2022  
Dhangadhi



◀ 21st December, 2022  
Dadeldhura



◀ 23rd December, 2022  
Bajhang



◀ 25th December, 2022  
Dhangadhi



## Take away on **Supplementary Activities**



Facilitation to FWLD for protecting and promoting issues of human rights including environment, education, health, food sovereignty through public interest litigations (PILs) by Food Rights Network, Dang on November 5, 2022.

## Memorandum of Understanding between FWLD and Association of Youth Organizations Nepal (AYON)



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**The Himalayan**

**Eligible citizens urge parties to address citizenship issue**

**Himalayan News Service**  
Kathmandu, October 16

Eligible citizens who have been deprived of their citizenship due to non-enactment of a new federal citizenship law have urged political parties to end the dirty game of politics over citizenship issue and immediately address their concerns.

The new citizenship bill remains in limbo with President Bidhya Devi Bhandari using pocket veto against the bill, which the ruling political alliance and civil society members have termed 'an unconstitutional act'.

Speaking at an interaction organised by the Forum for Women, Law and Development, Chair of Citizenship-less Struggle Committee Indrajit Saffi, 29, who is a civil engineer, said his parents and grandparents were Nepali citizen but he was not able to get his citizenship.

Saffi is scoured by statelessness because his father has citizenship by birth. He went to India in 2015 to pursue higher studies as he was yet she cannot make her citizenship.

Pratik Sunwar, 22, a resident of Khotang district, said his father and mother were both Nepali citizens, but as his father was working in Hong Kong, he was unable to obtain his citizenship on the basis of his mother's Nepali nationality. He said his father told him that he could not return to Nepal for 10 years.

Executive Director of FWLD Sabin Shrestha said the parties needed to make a pledge in their election manifesto that they would make new laws, if necessary, to ensure that all eligible citizens would be able to exercise their right to obtain Nepali citizenship.

Shrestha said in accordance with the constitution, a new citizenship law should have already been enacted within three years. He accused President Bidhya Devi Bhandari of violating the constitution by not granting assent to the citizenship bill. "The constitution does not give power to the president

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**GBV prevention fund established in only 115 local levels**

**Rastriya Samachar Samiti Kathmandu, December 3**

Among the 753 local levels across the country only 115 municipalities have established the gender-based violence prevention fund.

This was shared at a policy dialogue organised on the occasion of the 16-day campaign against violence against women in the capital city today. The event was hosted jointly by Kathmandu Metropolitan City, Forum of Women, Law and Development and UN Women.

Speaking at the programme, executive director of FWLD Sabin Shrestha said that even though the GBV fund could be used for violence survivors, many local levels were found to be hesitating to do so.

The Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizens had initially released a budget of Rs 100,000 each for every local level in the country to set up the fund. Province 1 government has also granted an additional 500,000 rupees to the rural municipalities and municipalities in the province. Many municipalities have allocated up to Rs one million to the fund.

There is a provision whereby the concerned local level receives an amount equivalent to what it has spent through the fund for violence survivors. However, the fund money has not been spent at the local level. It was shared at the programme that the money from the fund was not spent even in metropolitan cities.

On the occasion, head of the social development department of Kathmandu Metropolitan City Deepak Achikari said the department was conducting awareness programme against gender-based violence.

Former president of FWLD Meera Dhungana stressed the need to launch a campaign to end evil social practices such as child marriage and polygamy.

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**धनगढी समाचारदाता धनगढी, कात्तिक २४ गते**

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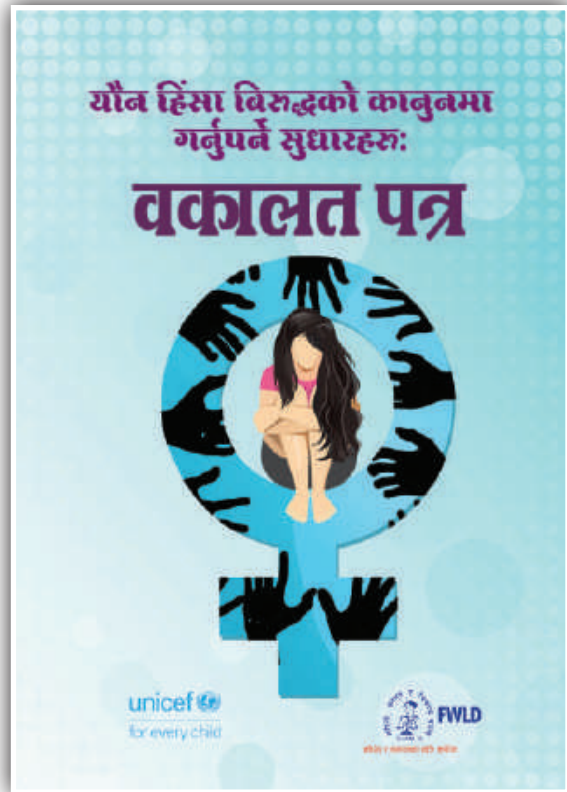
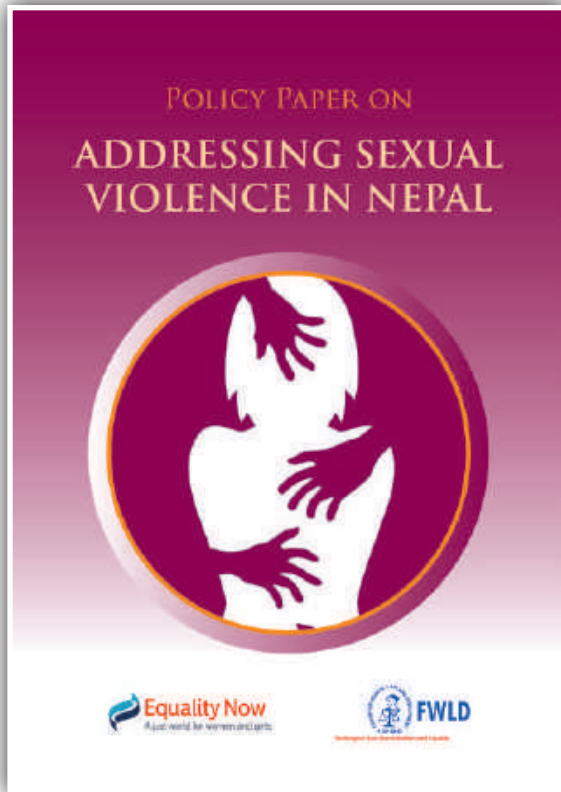
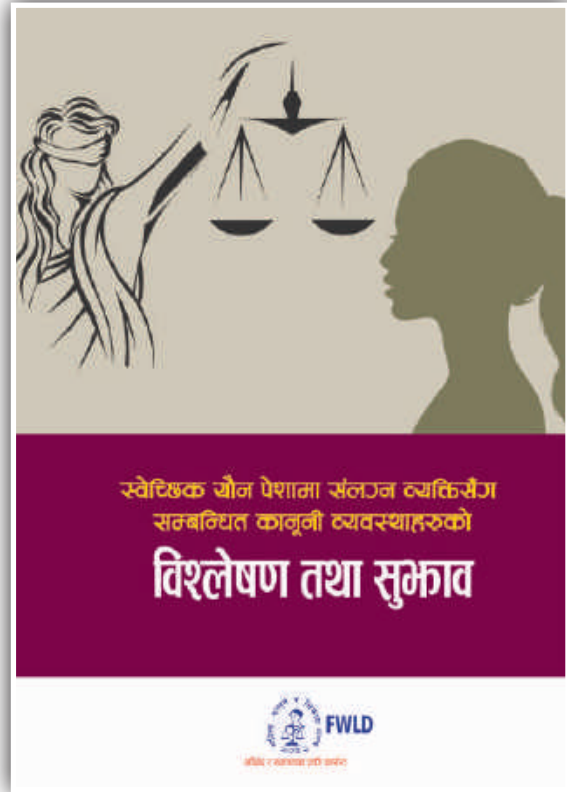
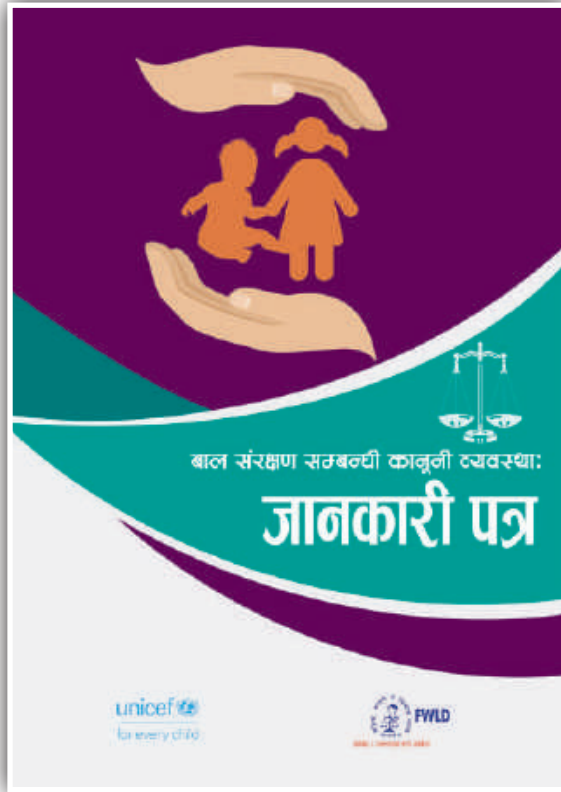
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