



WHAT IS GBV?

GBV stands for 'Gender-Based Violence'.

GBV is rooted in gender inequality. It is one of the most notable human rights violations within all societies. GBV is directed against a person because of their gender. Both women and men experience GBV. The majority of victims are, however, women and girls.

If you are a victim of GBV, you are a victim of a crime!

If you are aware of someone suffering from GBV: ACT!

Addressing gender inequality is the focus of one of the M16 United Nations SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals).

SDG 5 states: "Ending all forms of discrimination against women and girls is not only a basic human right but it is also crucial to accelerating sustainable development. It has been proven time and again that empowering women and girls has a multiplier effect and helps drive up economic growth and development across the board."

1 in 3 (35%) of women and girls in the world have experienced physical and/or sexual violence in their lifetime. This does not include other forms of violence such as exclusion, stigma, name-calling and structural violence.



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