

# Press Release Central Agency for Public Mobilization And Statistics

#### On the Occasion of the International Day For Elimination of Violence Against Women

#### 30% of total ever married women were subjected to violence during 2014

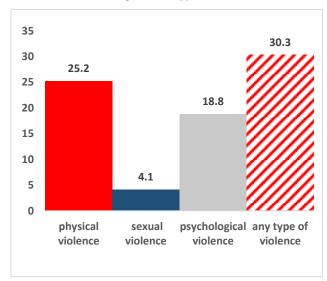
Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics on '70/11/2015 has issued a press release on the occasion of the International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women. General Assembly of the United Nation adopted November 25<sup>th</sup> every year as the International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women under the theme of "unite to end violence against women".

The recent figures from WHO show that 35% of women worldwide are subjected to physical violence from their partners or sexual violence from others.

### According to Egypt, Demographic and Health Survey 2014 One out of four women are subjected to physical violence from husbands

- Survey data indicates that more than 30% of ever married women have been subjected to a form of physical, psychological or sexual violence from their husbands.
- 25.2% of ever married women were subjected to physical violence from husbands.
- Sexual violence is less prevalent in Egypt; where about only 4% of ever married women were subjected to sexual violence from their husbands.
- About 19% of total ever married women have suffered psychological violence from their husbands.

Percentage distribution of ever married women who were subjected to violence from their husbands according to the type of violence



#### Low education level makes women more receptive to violence

- 39.5% of ever married women with primary educational level/some secondary have been subjected to violence from their husbands.
- Compared to 25% of those with secondary educational level or higher.

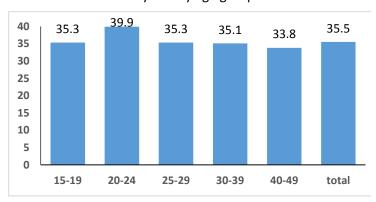
## Around one third of ever married women were subjected to some sort of violence from their husbands at rural Upper Egypt

 Percentage of ever married Women who were subjected to physical, sexual or psychological violence from their husbands in Upper Egypt was 32.4% and this represents the highest level of violence, while in Lower Egypt was 29.1%, in urban governorates was 29%, and frontiers governorates was 25.5%.

## One out of every three married women exposed to physical violence since the age of 15

- The overall ratio of ever married women who exposed to physical violence by anyone since age of 15 was 35.5%.
- 39.9% of ever married women of age group (20-24) are exposed to physical violence from any one since age of 15.

Percentage distribution of married women who were subjected to physical violence from anyone since the age of 15 years by age group



#### Female Circumcision

- More than half of ever married women who were circumcised were between seven and ten years of age when they were circumcised, and virtually before age 15.
- Nearly 6 of every 10 women believed that the circumcision practice should continue.
- Nearly half women thought that men also preferred the circumcision practice to be continued.
- Survey data shows that Female circumcision declines when both women's education level and household economic and social level increases.