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On The Occasion Of The International Day For Elimination Of Violence Against Women

Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics has issued on 24 /11 /2022 a press release on the occasion of the International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women, which the world celebrates on November 25 of each year to demand an eliminate of violence against women Under the slogan of (Unite to end violence against women) It is a UN initiative of 16 Days of Activism (November 25 - December 10) that concludes on the day it commemorates International Human Rights Day (10 December). The world celebrates this day under the slogan (Orange the World: End Violence against Women Now!), which is considered one of the most common crimes that all human rights and feminist organizations try to fight. This crime turns to be an increasing phenomenon in all societies around the world. Such violence takes many forms according to society and its cultural nature, in addition to discrimination and gender inequality, which is considered a form of violence.

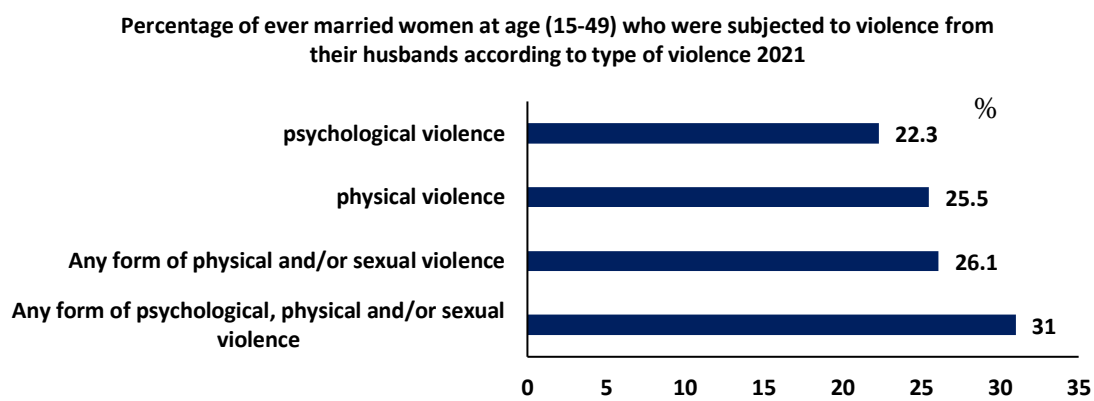
Global indicators according to World Health Organization statistics:

- About 736 million women all over the world are exposed to physical and/or sexual violence by husbands or others in their lifetime, or one-in-three women.
- One-in-four young women (aged 15-24) has already experienced violence during around their mid-twenties.
- One-third of women (27%) between the ages of 15 and 49 who have ever been married report that they are subjected to some form of physical and/or sexual violence by their husbands.
- 71% of all victims of human trafficking in the world are women and girls, and three out of four of these women and girls are subjected to sexual violence.
- 6% of the world's women report experiencing sexual violence from someone other than their husband and given the high level of underreporting associated with sexual violence, the true number is likely to be much higher.

The most important statistical indicators of violence against women according to the Egyptian Family Health Survey 2021 results:

Violence by husband for currently and previously married women in the age group (15-49 years):

- 31% of currently and previously married women have experienced some form of physical or psychological or sexual violence by their husbands during 2021.
- 22.3% of currently and previously married women have suffered psychological violence during 2021.
- Nearly a quarter “25.5%” of currently and previously married women were subjected to physical violence by their husbands during 2021.

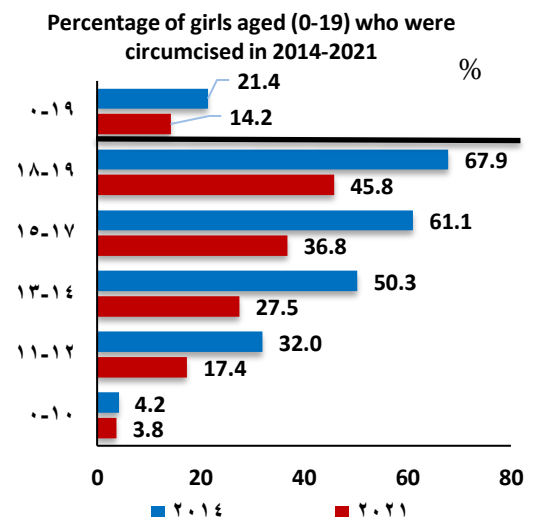


Harmful traditional practices against girls:

female circumcision is one of types of violence against women, and it is a widespread practice in Egypt, despite the efforts made since the nineties, but this phenomenon is still ongoing. Statistics indicate, according to Egyptian Family Health Survey 2021, that the rate of female circumcision is significantly decreased even more among girls.

Girls circumcision:

- 14.2 percentage of girls in the age group (0-19 years) has been circumcised.
- Percentage of circumcised girls decreases in 2021 compared to 2014 by about 7 percentage points.
- Only 27.0% of girls are expected to be circumcised in the age group (0-19 years) in 2021, compared to 56.3% in 2014.



The state's efforts to protect Egyptian women:

Regarding female circumcision:

- Issuance of Law No. 10 of 2021 amending some provisions of Penal Code (articles of the crime of female circumcision). The amendments included deletion of any reference to use of the medical justification and Article 61, the intensification of penalties by raising minimum and maximum penalty, the introduction of independent penalties for doctors and nurses, and other penalties in the facility, as it was introduced and expanded. Sinning to include new forms of criminalization of all forms of incitement, encouragement, or accusation to commit a crime.
- The National Committee for the Elimination of Female Genital Mutilation held events in conjunction with the International Day and the National Day for "Anti-FGM," and launched new phases of "Protect Her from FGM" campaign for the third year consecutively. More than 7 million beneficiaries benefited from the campaign's activities during 2021.

Regarding violence against women:

- The National Council for Women established units to combat violence against women, bringing the total number of units established to 26 units at the level of Egyptian universities.
- Preparing (3) medical response units "safe women's clinics" in public and private university hospitals and working to open them officially during 2022. This brings safe units total to (8) units, all of whose medical staff have been trained to deal with cases of violence.
- Participation in the issuance of a decision to establish the "Combined Unit for Protection of Women from Violence" comprising the sectors and concerned parties, pursuant to Prime Minister Decision No. 2021/827.

Data sources:

- World Health Organization (WHO) www.who.int
- Egyptian Family Health Survey 2021.
- The National Council for Women (A digital statement of harvest activities of the National Council for Women 2021).