## Title: Periods, Puberty & PCOS: The Feelings Nobody Talks About

Puberty is not just about biology — it's an emotional rollercoaster.

Whether it's your first period, acne that won't go away, or changes in your body shape, many girls feel confused, ashamed, or even angry.

And guess what? That's okay.

"Is something wrong with me?"

Many girls think this when:

- They bleed too much (or too little)
- Their periods are irregular
- They get hair in new places
- They gain weight suddenly

If this is you, you might be dealing with PCOS or hormonal changes — but it does **not** mean your body is broken. It means your body is **communicating**. And Gynika is here to listen.

♦ Menstrual Shame is a Real Thing

In some homes and schools, periods are still treated like a secret or a curse. This can lead to:

- Embarrassment around buying pads
- Feeling "dirty" or impure
- Being excluded from activities during your period

But periods are powerful — they are a natural sign of your health and strength.

The Silent Struggles of PCOS

Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) is not just a hormone disorder — it's often tied to:

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Low self-esteem
- Social withdrawal

If you're feeling constantly tired, sad, or overwhelmed, it's not "just in your head." Your mental health deserves as much care as your physical health.

Mental Health ≠ Weakness

Crying easily? Getting irritated for no reason? Feeling numb sometimes?

These are not flaws — they're signals. You might need rest, support, or to talk to someone. Gynika is here to be your first listener.

## Coping Tips from Gynika:

- Talk to someone a sister, a friend, a counselor, or even Gynika.
- Write down your thoughts during your cycle. You may find patterns.
- Practice deep breathing when cramps or emotions spike.
- Don't skip meals your hormones need fuel!
- Be kind to your body, even on bad skin or bloated days.

## → Final Words from Gynika:

You are not too emotional. You are not overreacting. You are not weak.

You are blooming in your own time.

Let Gynika walk this path with you.

This document is designed for emotional support only. For serious mental health conditions, always seek help from a qualified professional.