

- UNDER INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW, THE RIGHT TO HEALTH EXTENDS TO THE EFFECTIVE PROTECTION FROM ALL FORMS OF VIOLENCE
- VIOLENCE NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED IN A **COMPREHENSIVE & PROACTIVE WAY**, INCLUDING AS A CAUSE OF SERIOUS HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS & AS A **CONSEQUENCE OF A LACK OF POLITICAL WILL TO EFFECTIVELY INVEST IN HUMAN RIGHTS AS A PRIORITY**
- **A NON-BINARY APPROACH TO GENDER & GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE IS WELL ROOTED IN INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW**
- **VIOLENCE AGAINST LGBTQIA+ PERSONS IS INSTITUTIONALIZED BY PREJUDICED SYSTEMS GROUNDED IN LAWS & POLICIES THAT IMPEDE OR FORBID THE EXERCISE OF ONE'S OWN PERSONHOOD**
- PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ARE THREE TIMES MORE LIKELY TO EXPERIENCE PHYSICAL, SEXUAL & EMOTIONAL VIOLENCE THAN PERSONS WITHOUT DISABILITIES
- GENDER-BASED **VIOLENCE** APPLIES TO CISGENDER & TRANS WOMEN & GIRLS & IS ONE OF THE **MOST PREVALENT HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS** WORLDWIDE
- **WE NEED TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF DEFINITION** OF GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE BASED ON SEXUALITY, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY & SEX CHARACTERISTICS
- UNDER INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW, **STATES ARE ALSO RESPONSIBLE** FOR GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE RESULTING FROM ACTIONS OR OMISSIONS BY STATE & NON-STATE ACTORS
- **VIOLATIONS OF WOMEN'S SEXUAL & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH RIGHTS ARE FORMS OF GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE** THAT MAY AMOUNT TO TORTURE OR CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT (SUCH AS FORCED STERILIZATIONS, FORCED PREGNANCY CRIMINALIZATION OF ABORTION, DENIAL OR DELAY OF SAFE ABORTION & POST ABORTION CARE, FORCED CONTINUATION OF PREGNANCY)
- **COVID-19'S IMPACT ON VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN**: THE PANDEMIC HAS LED TO AN INCREASE IN CALLS TO **HELPLINES** ABOUT **CHILD ABUSE**. **INCREASED SEXUAL EXPLOITATION & CYBERBULLYING** HAVE ALSO BEEN REPORTED
- IN AREAS OF CONFLICT, CONFLICT-RELATED SEXUAL VIOLENCE IS USED AS A TACTIC OF WAR, TORTURE & TERRORISM
- STATES EMBROILED IN CONFLICT OFTEN HAVE AN INSUFFICIENT NUMBER OF QUALIFIED, TRAINED HEALTH-CARE WORKERS AVAILABLE TO TREAT SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE
- CIVIL SOCIETY ACTORS EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS IN ADDRESSING THE MEDICAL NEEDS OF SURVIVORS OF VIOLENCE
- STRUCTURAL VIOLENCE IS A SUBTLE & QUITE OFTEN AN **INVISIBLE FORM OF VIOLENCE NORMALIZED THROUGH LAWS, POLICIES & THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF CERTAIN PRACTICES** THAT HAVE THEIR ROOTS IN LEGACIES OF COLONIALISM & RACISM
- GLOBALLY, **POLICE BRUTALITY & IMPUNITY** CONTRIBUTE TO NON-REPORTING OF SEXUAL & GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE
- THE LEGACY OF **DISCRIMINATORY SPATIAL PLANNING & LAND DISPOSSESSION** PERSIST TODAY. THE RESULTING **INEQUALITY IN SPATIAL PLANNING & ALLOCATION IS VIOLENCE, YET POSITIONED AS CIRCUMSTANTIAL**
- THE RIGHT TO HEALTH INCLUDES **THE RIGHT TO HEALTHY OCCUPATIONAL CONDITIONS**
- **ATTACKS ON MEDICAL FACILITIES & PERSONNEL** IN PROTRACTED & RECENT CONFLICTS CONTINUE
- A **HOLISTIC RESPONSE TO VIOLENCE** MUST ADDRESS THE WAYS IN WHICH VIOLENCE MANIFESTS IN DIFFERENT CONTEXTS

VIOLENCE & THE RIGHT TO HEALTH

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