**COUNTRY: LEBANON** 

COMMITEE: UNWOMEN



The Lebanese Republic is an Arab and Middle Eastern country on the Eastern Mediterranean Coast between Israel and Syria. Capital of Lebanon is Beirut. Lebanon's population is over 6 million. Lebanon's economy: According to the report, the country's gross domestic product fell from around \$55 billion in 2018 to \$20.5 billion in 2021. The Lebanese pound has lost 95 percent of it's value against the dollar in the last 3 years. While 1 US dollar was 1500 Lebanese pound in August 2019, it is now close to 40 thousand Lebanese pound.

No matter where we live, gender equality is a human right. Devoloping gender equality means a healthy society for women and men. Lebanon have one of the most vibrant feminist movements in the Arab region. Lebanese women's suffrage recognized in 1952. Lebanon has good sides as well as bad sides. The traditions limits women's freedom and speech. Lebanon is one of the countries with the shortest maternity leave in the world. Issues such as divorce, property rights and child custody are decided by religious laws that heavily discriminate against women. There are only 6 women in Lebanon's 128 member parliament and women are underrepresented in science, technology and engineering.

How much maternity leave is given to women in other countries, women in Lebanon should also be given the same right. Gender equality should be prioritized when deciding on laws. Families should raise their children by communicating and promoting gender equality. Women should not be despised. Informative adverstisements and documentaries should be made to show that every women can work in any job.

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