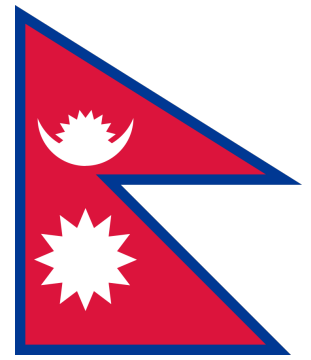


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Committee: UN Women

Agenda Item: Elimination of Raising Domestic Violence During Covid-19 Pandemic

Country: Nepal

Our country,

Nepal is a South Asian country that has been trying to deal with many problems for centuries.

With a population of about 29.14 million, Nepal is the 49th most populous country in the world. In addition, economically speaking, one out of three people lives below the level of the poverty which prevents us from developing in many different sectors.

As long as Nepal is concerned, it is highly patriarchal society however there are lots of women foundations. Such as The Women's Foundation Nepal which is a non-profit and non-governmental organization that helps women and children who have hard living condition circumstances. To those people who are in need, should be able to utilize from their basic human rights. The source that they benefit from is a Shelter Home and support. They provide a safe Shelter Home, which covers all their needs. To support women medically, psychologically and legally.

With 78% of all violence cases, domestic violence is the greatest cause of injury to women in Nepal. Furthermore Nepalese women are being trafficked to India. On top of that, as if wasn't enough Nepalese women have to live with superstitions related to menstrual cycle claiming that they are not pure and should be avoided. Because of these kinds of beliefs women's representation has dramatically increased to 29% in the November 2013 elections from 2.9% in 1991. Now women are taking place in politics and making important decisions at all levels.

From the dawn of humanity violence against women has always been part of our society, it has increased in the last few years compared to previous ones specially during the Covid-19 Pandemic in the whole world. Unfortunately Nepal is one of the countries with the heights rate concerning this issue. We as a country are trying to find solutions, in the hope of global collaboration. We understood that in order to solve the problem we have to get to the core of it. As we believe that culture is the most important component of the society, small should changes start from home. The keyword is education. Empowering women should start from school at an early age. By getting rid of all the cliches that portrait women as being less than men because of biological reasons. Changing the precipitation of History where women are considered less as they have not contributed much when at the end of the day the only problem is that they did not get equal chances as man did.

Another point we would like to point out is that a woman should not fall under peer pressure when it comes to Marriage. C. After all we believe in that if we can fix all these wrong frames of mind we will observe that domestic violence may decrease considerably. In order to raise individuals who are aware of this at a young age, we can reach out to people by using the media together with the studies on this subject in schools. By giving seminars on the issues by talking about in women's shelters we can empower women. As a result, we will make people aware that no woman should be a victim of domestic violence.

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