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Committee :UN WOMEN

Agenda item: The Effect of Covid-19 Pandemic on Women

Country: Egypt



Egypt ,The Arab Republic of Egypt was founded in 18th June 1953. Its population is over 102 million. Its current president is Abdülfettah es-Sisi. The capital of Egypt is Cairo. Islam is the official religion of Egypt and Arabic is its official language

Government of Egypt policy aims to reduce gender gaps on a wide range of areas like women's economic participation, all level of education including improving access for girls to science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Our policy is also to adress sexual harrassment, the gender based violance and domestic violance which increased during the pandemic lock down and take actions to minimize them.

Women's rights have been getting stronger and gaining importance in Egypt since the second world war. However over the past year and a half all available data indicates that domestic violence against women and girls is rising. But we have solution ideas for this problem. The education level of women should be increased so that women have a better welfare level, would get their own economic independence, be stronger, not ignore any domestic violence and know what to do if they encounter domestic violence. It will not be enough to provide education only to women and girls. At the same time, men should be given the necessary education. Both boys and men must be informed about punishments in case of violence against any woman. We believe that if we can provide this education adequately, violence against women can be reduced significantly. In addition, the legal penalty for violence against women should be increased and made more intimidating.