

November 25th -International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

November 25th is the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. The United Nations reports that “Violence against women and girls is one of the most widespread, persistent and devastating human rights violations in our world today. Gender inequality persists worldwide. Achieving gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls will require more vigorous efforts, including legal frameworks, to counter deeply rooted gender-based discrimination that often results from patriarchal attitudes and related social norms.”

For more information about this issue, and efforts being made by the United Nations to address it, see the following:

UN System

- **16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence Campaign,**
- **Say NO – UNiTE to End Violence against Women**
- **Global Issues - Women**
- **The World's Women 2015: Trends and Statistics**
- **The World's Women 2010: Trends and Statistics**

UN WOMEN

- **Prevent violence against women**
- **Progress of the World’s Women**
- **Ending Violence Against Women**
- **Violence against Women**
- **30th Anniversary of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women**
- **Stop Violence Against Women!**

Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

- **Statement by UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Navi Pillay on the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women (25 November 2012)**
- **Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences**
- **Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**
- **The OHCHR Women’s Rights and Gender Section**

UNESCO

- **Message from Ms. Irina Bokova, Director-General of UNESCO, on the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, 25 November 2012**

World Health Organization

- **WHO Multi-country Study on Women's Health and Domestic Violence against Women**
- **Violence against women by intimate partners**

UN High Commissioner for Refugees

- **Refugee Women**

UN Food and Agriculture Organization

- **Gender dimensions of agricultural and rural employment: Differentiated pathways out of poverty**

Rutgers University

- **16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence (25 November - 10 December)**
- **16 days of activism against gender violence - 2011 Theme announcement**

Documents

- **Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)**
- **Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women (A/RES/48/104)**
- **International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (A/RES/54/134)**
- **Violence against women migrant workers (A/C.3/66/L.18)**
- **Strengthening crime prevention and criminal justice responses to violence against women**
- **(A/RES/65/228)**
- **Trafficking in women and girls (A/RES/65/190)**
- **The girl child (A/RES/64/145)**
- **Women in development (A/RES/64/217)**
- **Eliminating rape and other forms of sexual violence in all their manifestations, including in conflict and related situations (A/RES/62/134)**
- **Intensification of efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women (A/RES/62/133)**
- **Intensification of efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women (A/RES/61/143)**

Report of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences (A/66/215)