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Pandemic Panic: A horrifying rise in gender based violence

As the pandemic rages across the world, news of horrors that remained confined within homes begins to travel rapidly

With gender-based violence on the rise in Egypt, during the Covid 19 pandemic, conversations that remained hidden behind closed doors began to come out.



As strict measures were enforced across the city during the lockdown, access to help became harder.

With cries for help ringing louder, it seemed that there really wasn't enough help around.

Good samaritans on the block

Legal interference and close to no support from the government, the LGBT community is in dire straits. Their mental and physical health, being a concern, activists have been initiating programs related to local and regional advocacy. With hate crimes on the rise as well, the activists also work relentlessly to document violations against LGBTI individuals.

Help, now online

Here's how people are overcoming Covid 19 challenges and reaching out to help

An increasing number of gender-based violence cases were stuck at home with violent family members. As numbers increased and meeting became harder, psychological clinics became helpless and overwhelmed. With time, activists and human rights organisations started turning to using online resources to reach out and help GBV cases.



LGBTQ rights violated, people imprisoned

Sudden arrests of LGBTQ people based on their gender has sparked massive outrage among human rights activists across Egypt. Put on detention without proper trials and hearings, these individuals are at an increased risk during the pandemic. Cases of innocents imprisoned along with Covid 19 patients have been brought to light multiple times. Will things change for the better?

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PROTECT YOURSELF
PROTECT YOUR LOVED ONES

WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED HAD THE NGOS NOT STEPPED UP TO
HELP THOSE IN NEED? WOULD THINGS HAVE BEEN MORE GRIM?

AT THE END OF THE DAY, PSYCHOLOGICAL OR EVEN
LEGAL SUPPORT OF THE RIGHT KIND IS NOT EASY
TO COME BY AT TIMES LIKE THESE...

HOW DOES

THOUGH THINGS LOOK MORE OPTIMISTIC
FOR LGBTQ REFUGEES, THERE IS A GRIM
REALITY WE ALL MUST FACE.

A REALITY THAT IS ROOTED IN
STIGMATISED GOVERNMENT POLICIES, A
COMPLETE LACK OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF
ANY SORT AND THE LACK OF LEGAL
COOPERATION.

ANYONE EVEN

SLEEP ANYMORE...

BUT LIKE THE REST OF THE WORLD, WE ARE LEARNING HOW TO NAVIGATE
THROUGH THESE MURKY WATERS. WE ARE LEARNING TO LEAD SURVIVORS
TO SAFETY AND WE ARE LEARNING TO KEEP OURSELVES SAFE...