

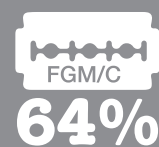
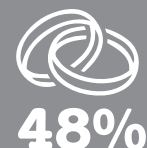
# Accelerate Actions to Fight Violence against Women and Girls

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## What do Figures Speak?

Women and girls continue to experience violence in all the corners of their life (at home, community and offices).

- 23% of women age 15-49, have experienced physical violence and 10% have experienced sexual violence<sup>1</sup>
- 34% of ever-married women age 15-49 have experienced spousal physical, sexual, or emotional violence<sup>2</sup>
- Girls who got lucky to attend school have a wider risk of being raped, abducted and married without their desire.
- 48% of women were given to marriage before the age of 18 years<sup>3</sup>
- 64% of girls and women aged 15 to 49 years have undergone FGM/C<sup>4</sup>



## What is it beyond the Figures?

- A number of women and girls are living with their human rights violated
- A number of women and girls are denied of leading a dignified life
- A number of women and girls are pulled back from pursuing their education,
- A number of women and girls are shattered to develop realizing their potential and capabilities
- Development at country level would be delayed



## What Actions to Accelerate

- Revise the Criminal Code as it strengthens the protection of women from physical, sexual and emotional violence by their spouses.
- Facilitate safe school environment (expand the access to separate latrines for girls and boys, expand training on the human rights of women and girls, engage male students in the fight against VAWGs, link schools with legal aid and psychosocial services)
- Expand the access to potable water in nearby villages
- Expand the access to alternative energy supplies to households
- Engage men and boys in the fight against VAWG
- Consolidate data on the number of complaints, prosecutions and convictions, and use data to research and the review of laws, strategies and programs
- Enhance and expand coordination and referral (legal, rehabilitation and reintegration services)
- Integrate VAWG prevention and response strategies into disaster risk management



<sup>1</sup> EDHS, 2016

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

<sup>3</sup> EDHS, 2016

<sup>4</sup> Ibid