

Resources for the protection of women and girls from violence

Analytical tools and regional legislative frameworks to address violence against women and girls and security policies.

Forms of violence and crime against women, adolescents and girls and their effects



Physical and sexual violence

Direct attacks and serious violations in the community environment.



Psychological and economic

Coercive control of assets and loss of autonomy.



Digital Violence

Systematic cyberbullying, extortion, and non-consensual dissemination of images.



Organized Crime

Human trafficking, recruitment and armed territorial extortion.

Differentiated impacts of security policies and organized crime violence against women, adolescents, and girls

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Greater exposure to violations

Trafficking and sexual exploitation and greater vulnerability in territories with the presence of armed actors and operations.

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Forced displacement

Disintegration of the family unit and loss of community support networks due to threats and femicides.

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Risks in security policies

Collateral impacts of abuses of authority in military operations and lack of protection and reporting mechanisms.

Intersectional factors and victimization patterns

AGE

Differentiated and severe impact on girls and adolescents.

SOCIOECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Extreme poverty that prevents escape routes or autonomy.

ETHNICITY AND TERRITORY

Geographic isolation and marginalization from public services.

MIGRATION AND DISABILITY

Reinforced legal vulnerability in mobility contexts.

SEXUAL DIVERSITY

Discrimination and stigmatization in judicial proceedings.

Legal and institutional gaps in access to justice

Barriers to reporting	Fear of reprisals, economic dependence, social stigma, and lack of knowledge.
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Insufficient protection	Difficulties in accessing timely precautionary measures and shelters.
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Investigative shortcomings	Delays, lack of evidence, institutionalized gender bias, lack of coordination.
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Impunity and punishment	Systematic judicial delays and obstacles to ensuring effective sentences.
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Challenges to ensuring justice and preventing revictimization



Revictimization

Repeated statements and value judgments about the victims.



Unequal application

Severe territorial disparity in the implementation of the law.



Lack of coordination

Lack of coordination between judicial, police and health operators.



Insufficient attention

Lack of comprehensive services for continuous psychosocial support.

Security risks, CEFMU and the freedom of children and adolescents



Insecurity and territorial control

Communities affected by criminal groups, threats, extortion, displacement, and fear can reduce the capacity of families and institutions to protect girls and adolescents.



Coercion and power relations

Criminal groups may use threats, sexual violence, economic dependence, or pressure on families to control women and force girls into CEFMU.



Poverty, displacement and lack of protection

Poverty, educational disruption, displacement, and weak protection services can increase vulnerability to child marriage or unions.



Exploitation and criminal economies

Forced unions can coexist with human trafficking, sexual exploitation, or the recruitment and control of adolescents.

Tools for parliamentary action



Strengthen legislative frameworks

Guide on sexual violence: Laws with a strict focus on consent.

CEFMU Guidelines: Eradication and punishment of child, early and forced marriages and unions.



Parliamentary political oversight

Parliamentary hearings: Oversight of institutional obstacles in implementation.

Budgetary oversight: Ensuring resource allocation to protection.

Thank you!

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