What is Gender-Based violence?

Gender-based violence ("GBV") refers to harmful acts, whether physical, sexual, psychological, or economic, directed against an individual based on gender, predominantly against women and girls. It stems from gender inequality, abuse of power, and harmful gender norms.
The lack of gender sensitivity in the justice system and support services prevents victims of gender-based violence from reporting abuses and seek justice.
GBV IN NUMBERS

WORLDWIDE

1 in 3 women has reported experiencing physical or sexual violence at the hands of their partner.

CAMBODIA

1 in 5 women aged between 15 and 49 have reported experiencing physical violence.
GBV IN CAMBODIA

Gender-based violence (GBV) remains pervasive across the country. Two in ten Cambodian women aged between 15 and 49 have experienced physical violence at least once since the age of 15. Overall, 6% of Cambodian women aged between 15 and 49 years old have experienced sexual violence at least once.

Entrenched gender stereotypes and norms contribute to gender inequality and women's rights abuses in Cambodia. Prescribed gender roles, and the principle of female submissiveness, they promote, nurture GBV in all walks of life - in the home, in the community, or the workplace. In addition, GBV can be perpetrated by partners, family members, colleagues, acquaintances, or public officials or more.
All citizens are equal before the law and enjoy the same rights and freedoms without discrimination of any kind...

Article 31 of Constitution of Cambodia
Human trafficking, sexual exploitation, and child pornography are illegal acts prohibited under both domestic and international law.