**POSİTİON PAPER**

Commitee : United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of women

Agenda İtem:

1. Women on Governance and National Planning

 Since ancient times, men's perception of themselves as superior to women and the resulting gender discrimination has had a great impact. Since women have an emotional nature, they have been subjected to a lot of bullying. In addition, violence and harassment against women has been a major problem since ancient times. The fact that women are not considered suitable for leadership and management aspects has caused great inequality in society. Today, gender equality and women's rights are protected by many conventions, but gender inequality can still be seen in some areas. Women should be supported to be more represented in all kinds of political, social, cultural and leadership roles.In the UNWOMEN committee we will talk about these issues and find solutions.

Bahrain, officially the Kingdom of Bahrain, is a small Arab monarchy in the Middle East. Saudi Arabia is located to the east. Since ancient times, with the influence of many societies, the place of women in the administration was almost non-existent. These situations have led to many events. In recent years, human rights have been on the agenda with the effect of the Bahraini Arab Spring. Thus, gender equality has been achieved and women's rights and participation in governance have increased. Bahraini women make up 39.6% of Bahraini citizens in employment. The share of women in the private sector is 33.8%, while 49.1% of Bahraini public sector employees are women. Women in Bahrain have made progress in political representation. In the 2002 elections, women exercised their right to vote and be elected for the first time. In the 2006 elections, a woman MP was elected for the first time. Today, there are women MPs in the Bahraini Parliament and women are more represented in the political arena. This shows that the political participation and representation of women in Bahrain is increasing. Women's rights in Bahrain have improved and continue to improve.

Solutions addressing gender inequality in women's governance and national planning around the world include the United Nations, UNWOMEN, the UN Commission on the Status of Women CSW, the CEDAW Convention (1979), the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, the Istanbul Convention (2011) and many other conventions protecting women's rights. There are also many projects carried out by UN Women. These projects help to support women in all aspects of social, political and cultural life.

The solutions we found in Bahrain to Women on Governance and National Planning; In order to achieve gender equality, first of all, there should be a conscious education for girls and boys equally all over the world, women's participation in the workforce should be supported and women should be supported to rise to leadership positions and receive equal pay, various projects and campaigns can be developed to raise public awareness, laws and policies should be supported and penal sanctions should be increased to prevent violence and harassment.

Agenda İtem:

1. Promoting Gender Equality in the Digital Age

In the digital age, which emerged with the rapid development of technology, one of the negative situations brought by the developing virtual environment is gender inequality in the digital age. In particular, there are many negative situations such as discrimination, cyber violence and online harassment that women face in the virtual environment. These situations still continue to occur and are one of the important gender issues of today and tomorrow. More recently, e-sports has also been harboring these issues, and unfortunately, women in e-sports also face gender discrimination. Women's development should also be supported in STEAM fields. At the UNWOMEN committee we will discuss these issues and find solutions.

Bahrain, officially the Kingdom of Bahrain, is a small Arab monarchy in the Middle East. With the advent of the Digital Age, Bahrain has quickly adapted to the changes taking place around the world and has experienced and continues to experience many developments in economic and other fields. While the digital age has had many positive effects, it has also had negative aspects. Negative situations such as cyberbullying, harassment and violence have emerged. Although these negative effects appeal to everyone, they are more common among women. Bahrain has expressed its support for women in this situation. In fact, Bahrain recently launched a campaign called 'Digital Women', after which 80% of women who participated in the campaign made significant improvements in their digital literacy and digital marketing skills. This campaign, which also attracted the attention of other countries, was noticed by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and UN Women, and a decision was made to collaborate with Bahrain to model and implement this campaign in other developing countries.

The solutions we found in Bahrain to Women on Governance and National Planning; In order to ensure gender equality in the digital age, girls and boys can be trained equally in accessing and using information and communication technologies, women's participation in the workforce in the digital sector and support in leadership positions, harsh laws and criminal procedures can be applied for negative situations such as gender discrimination, cyber violence and online harassment, various activities can be held to raise public awareness, young girls and women can be trained in STEM and digital literacy, so that young girls and women can be given the opportunity to develop in these areas in this digital age.

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