COUNTRY: Netherlands

FORUM : United Nations Entity for Gender Equality & Women's Empowerment (UNWomen)

QUESTION OF : Medical Negligence of Women

Medical negligence of women is a problem that has not been solved for years. First of all ;in 1970s women began to their medical rights, after that women's gynecological health began to be taken into consideration a little more, but it was not enough. In 1990s with increasing awareness, importance has begun to be given to gynecological diseases. After 2000, many countries have improved women's rights policies and faciliated access to things women need, especially birth control pills etc.

The work of the World Health Organization is as follows:

The department supports WHO's commitment to "leaving no one behind" as essential to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Their work contributes to SDG 3: to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages; SDG 5: to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls; SDG 8: to promote sustained, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all; and SDG 10: to reduce inequality within and among countries.

As Netherlands, our work on women's medical negligence is as follows:

Sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) are under threat around the world. Not everyone has access to proper healthcare, contraceptives or medication such as anti-retroviral drugs. This situation prevents fair and equal development. We are working worldwide for better protection of SRHR, and investing in better healthcare in developing countries.

We are also supports many funds related to women's and girls' health:

- The Global Fund (GF). This fund works to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria.

- The Global Financing Facility (GFF). This fund works to prevent infant and maternal mortality.

- The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). This fund makes contraceptives available in developing countries and works to end child marriage and female genital mutilation (FGM).

- UNAIDS. This United Nations fund aims to stamp out HIV and ensure universal access to antiretrovirals.

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