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### Dear Partners,

We are delighted to share with you our November and December newsletter highlighting some of the exciting activities we embarked upon during the two months period.

These activities represent just a glimpse of the multitude of initiatives that kept us dynamic and engaged.

From launching a new project to observing the International Day of People with Disability and encouraging more media reporting on SRHR, these past months have been buzzing with activity after activity.

Each effort has not only contributed to our collective progress but has also been a testament to the dedication and synergy within our partnership.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your continued support and for being avid readers of our newsletter. It's through your involvement and feedback that we evolve and thrive.

To each organization, institution, and individual who walked hand in hand with us throughout this past year, thank you for collaborating with us to advance sexual reproductive health and rights for all.

We remain committed to fostering these valuable partnerships and amplifying our collective impact.

**May this New Year bring you blessings of good health and the comforting warmth of overall well-being.**



## COLLABORATING TO ADVOCATE FOR HARM REDUCTION AMONG PEOPLE WHO USE DRUGS

In November, we collaborated with four civil society organizations to launch the TUBITEHO (Let's Take Care of Them) Project.

Supported by Expertise France, this initiative is a strategic partnership involving the Rwanda NGO Forum for HIV/AIDS and Health Promotion, Ihorere Munyarwanda, Strive Foundation, and Médecins Du Monde. The project's core focus

is to advocate for harm reduction services tailored to people who use drugs (PWUD) in Rwanda in alignment with a human rights and gender-sensitive approach. Over the next three years, TUBITEHO will actively engage stakeholders across three key areas: advocacy, establishment of a comprehensive peer education system, and strengthen service provision in Gasabo, Nyarugenge, and Rubavu Districts, among other targeted interventions.

To realize these objectives, the project will directly collaborate with PWUD, healthcare providers from designated health facilities in the three specified districts, law enforcement agencies, policymakers at central and local levels, and national-level Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) involved in health and human rights.

In her welcome remarks, the Executive Secretary of the Rwanda NGO Forum on HIV/AIDS and Health Promotion, Nooliet Kabanyana, thanked the MOH/CCM, Rwanda Biomedical Center, and Expertise France for their instrumental support since project conceptualization. She conveyed optimism for ongoing collaboration, emphasizing the collective impact of partnerships in shaping the future of health promotion and HIV/AIDS initiatives in Rwanda, with the ultimate goal of contributing to community well-being.

During the launch, Dr. Aflodis Kagaba, our Executive Director, said that the project aims to foster an enabling environment for the availability and accessibility of high-quality harm reduction services for PWUD. He emphasized the empowerment of PWUD through capacity-building initiatives related to their rights, as

well as the initiation of a minimum package of harm reduction services within pilot health facilities. He highlighted the collective responsibility required from all partners for the project's success, acknowledging the timely support from the French and Rwandan governments. The consortium pledged its dedication to exploring optimal strategies for implementing harm reduction advocacy services. Key among the project's focal points is the collection of comprehensive data concerning people who inject drugs, a domain presently lacking substantial information.

Dr. Kagaba stressed the 24-fold higher HIV infection risk among individuals who inject drugs as a result of different factors such as needle sharing, stigma, and the scarcity of harm reduction programs. In his remarks, Prof. Claude Mambo Muvunyi, Director General of the Rwanda Biomedical Center (RBC), highlighted Tubiteho project's alignment with the government's HIV response initiatives.

While acknowledging substantial strides in achieving the 95-95-95 target for HIV response, he highlighted the necessity to address remaining gaps, including support for groups such as people who inject drugs.



Prof. Muvunyi affirmed the government's commitment to collaborating with the consortium to implement the project, urging joint efforts in identifying gaps and employing innovative implementation methods to gather comprehensive data and evidence to support future response initiatives.

By the end of the project, the consortium aspires to have cultivated a supportive environment for PWUDs, achieved policy shifts, eliminated stigma and discrimination (including self-stigma), and improved access to high-quality harm reduction services.

Prior to the launch, the consortium attended a 3-day orientation meeting for TUBITEHO Project Management Staff, to familiarize participants with project goals, outcomes, and mitigation strategies.

Project staff engaged in sessions exploring project details, contextual challenges, and intervention strategies. **The meeting emphasized evidence-based approaches and data collection methods, proactive problem-solving discussions, and policy alignment sessions.**



## FACILITATING REGIONAL SRH BILL DIALOGUE TO IMPROVE THE REALISATION OF SRHR IN THE EAC

**T**his November, we joined other regional CSOs to facilitate an orientation meeting in which the EALA General Purpose Committee members were updated on the EAC Sexual Reproductive Health Bill. First initiated by retired parliamentarian Odette Nyiramilimo, the Bill seeks to standardise the safeguarding of sexual and reproductive health for all individuals across the region. At the invitation of HDI-Rwanda, Nyiramilimo attended the meeting in which she provided the new EALA General Purpose Committee MPs the rationale of the Bill, highlighting its broad range of measures designed to tackle diverse challenges in sexual reproductive health in the region.

She pointed out that bills such as the EAC Sexual Reproductive Health serve as remedies for gaps and challenges in different communities.



This particular bill was conceived to address a range of issues, including the prevention of newborn, child, and maternal mortality. It seeks to reduce and eliminate unsafe abortions, HIV, and other sexually transmitted infections, alongside addressing the prevalence of early and unintended teenage pregnancies.

**- Odette Nyiramilimo,**  
Former EALA Regislator

Beyond addressing challenges, Nyiramilimo emphasised that the bill also seeks to advance human rights and prohibit and combat harmful practices that continue to frustrate girls and women from realising their full potential.

“In certain African cultures, young girls and women are subjected to the practice of female genital mutilation, where their private parts undergo cutting and suturing, a cruel tradition aimed at controlling their sexuality. The pressures imposed by families and perpetuated by communities on the bodies of girls and women amount to severe violations of their rights,” she stated.

She urged partner states, which are often in opposition to provisions in the bill related to family planning, to emphasise the importance of prioritising quality over quantity. She highlighted that larger families might contribute to the persistent poverty prevalent across our continent.

“We need to assess the proportion of our children that access university education. Limiting family size could greatly support their educational pursuits. It’s crucial to advocate for a well-educated, high-quality population,” she said.

## REVISED BILL

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Despite this, the bill has previously been withdrawn after gaps were identified and a revised edition reintroduced. For instance, consultations among stakeholders concluded that the language used didn't align with the domestic laws of Partner States, necessitating a redraft to incorporate crucial international instruments like the Maputo Protocol.

This protocol plays a significant role in safeguarding the rights of women and girls in Africa and holds governments accountable for any violations. The stakeholders suggested that the revised bill needed to address several critical aspects beyond HIV protection for adolescents and young people, particularly in terms of reproductive health rights.

Additionally, it was observed that the absence of provisions concerning male involvement and the lack of acknowledgment of the influence of culture and religion were substantial gaps. These elements play a pivotal role in interpreting issues such as abortion, family planning, and fertility within the region.





However, the current sponsor and mover of the Bill, EALA MP Kennedy Mukulia said that despite all gaps being addressed, misinformation and failure of many stakeholders to understand the objective of the bill still exist.

“A significant number of people think the bill is Western, which is a complete distortion. The bill is East African and for East Africans,” he said.

Mukulia, who also serves as the Chairperson of the General Purpose Committee at the regional assembly, said that although the bill has now covered many aspects of sexual and reproductive health, many people continue to reduce this bill to abortion and comprehensive sexuality education.

Despite these challenges, Mukulia called for courage to continue pushing the Bill forward.

“We want to protect the EAC citizens, therefore, we continue to be determined to get the EAC Sexual Reproductive Health Bill passed,” he said.

Our Executive Director, Dr Aflodis Kagaba, emphasised the critical nature of the delayed EAC SRH Bill. He stressed that while access to safe abortion services remains a controversial topic for some, the prolonged delay in passing this bill poses significant risks to the health and safety of women and girls.



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Research indicates that these limitations force many women and girls into resorting to unsafe abortion methods. Prioritising the passage of this bill is crucial to protecting the health and safeguarding the rights of every individual within the East African Community.

**- Dr. Aflodis Kagaba**

Executive Director, HDI-RWANDA

Davina Kamikazi Muhikira, a 19-year-old university student, urged the committee to integrate more youth perspectives into their legislative processes



Are adolescents aware of this ongoing conversation about this Bill? What are the alternatives if this Bill doesn't pass? As young people, we prefer laws and policies to be practical, not theoretical. It's crucial to consistently consider the perspective of adolescents who frequently grapple with the challenges being discussed in this room.

**- Davina Kamikazi Muhikira**  
Student

Addressing the participants, Sheikh Ibrahim Lethome Asmani of the Faith to Action Network, pledged to advocate for the SRH Bill and amplify its support.

"By fostering respectful engagement and education, we can strive for consensus and advance sexual and reproductive health rights within various faith-based communities," he said.

## **SIGNIFICANCE OF THE BILL AT REGIONAL LEVEL**

The EAC SRH Bill introduces a structured system of accountability. One key provision, Article 27, mandates EAC member states to submit progress status reports to the Secretary-General every two years.

If passed, all partner states of the EAC will be required to integrate sexual and reproductive health in their efforts towards universal health coverage.



## ACCELERATING ACTION TO END GENDER BASED VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

**T**his November, we were thrilled to unite with the world once again in observing the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence (GBV) against Women and Girls.

Our series of activities commenced with participation in Bugesera District's inaugural event where alongside the Ministry of Gender, we joined other government institutions

and Civil Society Organizations, to participate in the communal Umuganda cleaning event. This activity was an opportunity to magnify our commitment to environmental conservation by planting trees, linking the fight against GBV with a tangible symbol of nurturing and preserving our environment, paving the way for a better and safer tomorrow.



## GENERATION GENDER RETREAT

In November, we were also happy to be joined by fellow Generation Gender coalition members, AFRIYAN Rwanda and RWAMREC for a three-days Generation Gender project retreat. Facilitated by the Equimundo team, the retreat blended work and play, guiding the coalition members through a transformative experience.

During the retreat, we underwent training on the Gender Transformative Approach, empowering us to challenge gender stereotypes and harmful social norms more effectively. In addition to this transformative learning,

our discussions centered around project monitoring and evaluation, providing us with essential tools to accurately measure our progress, ensuring that our initiatives are not only impactful but also sustainable.

Reflecting on this year of implementation, we shared our experiences, celebrated achievements, and acknowledged the challenges we encountered. Crucially, a significant portion of our retreat was dedicated to crafting a strategic 2024 action plan, to further our mission of fostering a #Gender-just and violence-free society.



## GBV PREVENTION AND RESPONSE

We also successfully concluded an intensive three-day workshop to raise awareness about Gender-Based Violence (GBV) prevention and response in Nyagatare District. During this campaign, we engaged with over 30 GBV prevention and response service providers at the district level, as well as 691 Inshuti Z'umuryango across various sectors in this district.

We also championed the protection of children's rights, reminding the participants that every child deserves a childhood free from violence and exploitation. As part of our comprehensive approach, we discussed the significance of safe and accessible abortion services and the vital role

these services play in safeguarding the reproductive health and rights of individuals who have experienced GBV. Raise awareness about current gender and GBV policies, laws, child rights, sexual harassment, exploitation, and abuse. The workshop was also an opportunity to identify gaps in the implementation of gender and GBV policies and laws and future advocacy opportunities. We also worked together to establish the connection between gender norms, power dynamics, and GBV as well as devise methods through which we can collaborate to eliminate barriers hindering meaningful youth and women representation in decision-making and policy spaces.



## TWITTER SPACE

We also hosted a Twitter Space discussion on Online Violence Against Women to raise awareness and foster important conversations around a critical issue.

The digital space engagement provided an inclusive and accessible platform where 966 participants joined in to discuss the challenges, share experiences, and brainstorm potential solutions to combat online violence against women.

Additionally, we also joined the Ministry of Gender and Family Promotion for Car Free Day Sports day as part of our 16Days Of Activism Against GBV activities. The Sports Day, which coincided with the International Day of People With Disability, was also an opportunity for us to reflect on the significance of inclusivity and empowerment for all and a reminder of our responsibility to foster a world where every voice matters and each individual is valued and respected.



## GENDER CAFÉ

We also hosted a Gender Café in which our staff and partners were provided a safe and open space to engage in meaningful discussions about GBV. Facilitated by our Senior Program Officer for Gender and Inclusion, Annonciata Mukayitete, the conversation allowed participants to explore and address harmful cultural norms that contribute to the perpetuation of GBV.

During the session, attendees had the opportunity to voice their perspectives and experiences regarding these harmful norms. The focus was not only on recognizing

these entrenched cultural beliefs but also on collectively brainstorming strategies to challenge and dismantle them. This collaborative effort aimed to empower individuals to take proactive steps towards creating a more inclusive and equitable environment.

Through this platform, participants were encouraged to devise actionable strategies and interventions that could be implemented both within our organization and in the broader community to combat these harmful norms.



## STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITY OF HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO IMPROVE SAFE ABORTION SERVICES

**W**e partnered with UNFPA and RBC to conduct a transformative 6-day capacity-building initiative focusing on Abortion Values Clarification and Attitude Transformation (VCAT), Postpartum Hemorrhage (PPH), and Eclampsia. The program was designed to equip over 32 Nursing/Midwifery

mentors representing health facilities in Nyamasheke, Rusizi, and Karongi districts with comprehensive insights into the sensitive aspects of safe abortion, highlighting the causes of unwanted pregnancies, the root causes of unsafe abortion practices, and the effects.



The first segment of this training focused on VCAT, tailored to address its diverse features related to abortion services provision. The content included crucial elements such as understanding abortion laws, addressing stigma, values influencing service provision, and fostering open communication between healthcare providers and patients.

This session used interactive discussions, case studies, role-playing, and practical exercises, enabling the mentors to actively participate in the learning process and develop a comprehensive understanding of abortion and abortion care.

Before this session, an evaluation test was done to test the participants' knowledge of VCAT, and it revealed that only 55.75% of mentors demonstrated a proficient understanding of the subject matter. The assessment highlighted the need for targeted training and educational initiatives aimed at elevating their values and attitudes concerning abortion. Facilitators then proceeded to guide participants through Abortion Values Clarification and Attitude Transformation (VCAT),

with emphasis on Comprehensive Abortion Care (CAC), stressing the causes of unsafe abortion and its impact on the health of women and young girls, challenges faced by healthcare providers in offering safe abortion services, and the significance of healthcare providers having the required knowledge and skills in the provision of safe abortion services.

During this session, healthcare providers discussed their challenges, notably touching on personal beliefs and societal stigma surrounding abortion. They also highlighted that the lack of accurate information on safe abortion services by healthcare providers is a hindrance to the effective provision of safe abortion services. It is on this note that facilitators pointed out that unsafe abortion not only causes a strain on both physical and mental health but may also result in death. As a recommendation, they suggested that to avoid this, healthcare providers should set aside their beliefs and attitudes towards abortion, to professionally and effectively offer accurate information and services to the girls and women who approach them for these services.

They also discussed the value of understanding their role in ensuring the effective provision of safe abortion through counseling, and its key guiding principles.

Another crucial part of this training was the introduction of the Safe Abortion Application (SAPP), aiming to support frontline health workers in understanding the dynamics of safe abortion, as well as answer any questions they might have on the topic.

This session was handled by HDI's Knowledge Management Associate, Elvis Benimana. Participants expressed a keen interest in the app, and they emphasized what an important tool it was going to be given its diverse and inclusive nature since it is available in both English and Kinyarwanda.

At the end of the first session, the participants' knowledge levels substantially improved, from 55.75% to 73.55% during a post-test. This increase in knowledge served as a testament to the training program's efficacy in providing mentors with a more profound comprehension of essential concepts related to abortion.



The second session was focused on providing mentors with a solid theoretical and practical foundation on PPH and Eclampsia management within the context of abortion services. Similar to the first session, a pre-test was conducted and a significant proportion (82.46%) of mentors exhibited a strong understanding of PPH and Eclampsia management.

The content covered included; signs of PPH, its causes and management, as well as the different stages of eclampsia and how each one of them is managed. Additionally, Facilitators guided participants through the Manual Vacuum Aspiration method (MVA), one of the ways to manage PPH, while also addressing possible complications associated with it like cervical tears.

Although the pre-test showed a significant understanding of PPH and Eclampsia management, challenges persisted in specific areas, particularly in proper dosing of medication for eclampsia management and non-routine blood loss management and infusion during PPH. This knowledge gap was

evident in questions raised by mentors, emphasizing the necessity for focused training and educational initiatives designed to enhance their proficiency in these specific aspects of managing eclampsia and non-routine blood loss in the context of PPH.

Another test was conducted at the end of the second section, to evaluate the progress made in terms of understanding PPH and Eclampsia management, and the numbers had increased from 82.46% to 93.30%.

The positive results seen in the participants' understanding showed effective transmission of information and skills during the VCAT sessions.

Moreover, participants also gained the capacity to apply this knowledge in their roles as mentors. The enhanced knowledge signifies the participants' dedication and commitment to refining their approaches, ultimately contributing to improved practices in providing abortion services and fostering a positive impact on the well-being of those they serve.

At the end of our six-day training, participants expressed how insightful all the sessions had been, from which they got to acquire new skills and information that was going to make their work even more effective.

“The VCAT session was a new term and activity for most of us. We are happy and thankful to the trainers for this opportunity. We now understand how our attitudes and values built in our society and families have a significant effect on the services we provide to our clients. Through VCAT, we are now aware of the best way to manage cases that coincide with our values, and how to keep providing genuine services to our clients. It is a very good method we will apply in our respective health settings to help our colleagues so that we can help our clients access stigma-free services”, said a Midwife from Mugonero District Hospital.

Moving forward, healthcare providers are committed to disseminating this knowledge among their peers aiming to reduce maternal mortality rates attributed to PPH and Eclampsia during childbirth.





## PROMOTING INCLUSION ON THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY

**T**his December, we joined the national celebrations to observe the International Day of People with Disability in Ngoma District. The gathering was an opportunity for representatives of People With Disability, government, and civil society organisations to shed light on both the milestones achieved so far and some of the challenges faced by people

living with disabilities. The event was attended by various stakeholders such as the Minister of Local Government, Honourable Jean Claude Musabyimana, who emphasized the crucial values of inclusivity, empowerment, and unified advocacy for the rights and respect of those with disabilities.



During the celebrations, Honorable Musabyimana visited our family planning stand, a testament to our commitment to ensuring that everyone, including those with disabilities, has equal access to essential information and services to lead fulfilling lives. At the stand, we highlighted our dedication to inclusion as a core principle, spotlighting the proactive steps we take to ensure our programs are accessible and empowering for everyone, leaving no one behind.

## LAUNCH OF DICTIONARY

At the ceremony, the Rwanda National Union of the Deaf unveiled their sign language dictionary. This milestone marked

a significant leap towards inclusivity and empowerment for the deaf community in Rwanda. In his address, the union Board President, Augustin Munyangayo highlighted the dictionary's significance, emphasizing its role in fostering independence, and amplifying the voices of the deaf community. He urged every Rwandan to embrace this invaluable tool, imploring them to embark on a journey of learning and understanding.

**“The dictionary represents more than just a collection of signs; it embodies a collective commitment to bridging gaps, barriers, and cultivating a society where everyone can participate and thrive,” he said.**



## ENHANCING MEDIA COVERAGE ON SRHR ISSUES THROUGH ANNUAL JOURNALISM AWARDS

**T**his December, together with our partners, we awarded nine journalists for their outstanding coverage of various Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights stories done in 2023.

The 8th Edition of the Annual Reproductive Health Journalism Awards brought together different reproductive sector players

and development partners including Rwanda Biomedical Center (RBC), AmplifyChange, Packard Foundation, Swedish Embassy, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA-Rwanda), Rwanda Media Commission (RMC), and over 150 journalists from a cross section of media houses. In 2023, we received 225 submissions, an increase from 191 in 2022.



The panel of judges comprised a veteran journalist, Faith Mbabazi, Paul Mbaraga a retired Lecturer who formerly worked with the University of Rwanda School of Journalism, as well as Dr. Anicet Nzabonimpa, a medical doctor and Reproductive Health Expert.

The criteria for outstanding stories included comprehension of the story topic, relevance, potential to raise awareness and educate, uniqueness of the story angle, compliance with

ethics, research efforts, articulation, and the story impact among others.

The journalists who all fall under the radio, TV and online categories were recognized for their outstanding stories that covered family planning, maternal and newborn health, safe abortion, HIV/AIDS and other STIs, teenage pregnancy, gender equality and women empowerment, as well as sexual health and education.





## THE AWARDS

In each category, the overall winner was awarded Rwf800,000 cash prize and a laptop worth Rwf800,000. The First Runner-up was awarded Rwf600,000 cash prize while the Second Runner-up was awarded Rwf400,000. Both the winners in the First and Second Runner-Up positions were each also awarded a smart phone worth Rwf400,000.

## TELEVISION CATEGORY

In the TV category, the overall winner was TV1's Valens Dushimumuremyi whose story tackled the challenges around

family planning in Ruhango district and the resulting infanticide issue.

The First Runner-up in this category was Yongwe TV's Naomi Irakoze Mugaragu whose story explored the challenges raised by women in Nyamasheke district around conceiving while using family planning.

The Second Runner-Up in the TV category was Yusuf Ubonagenda from TV10 whose story chronicled the challenges of teenage pregnancy through a first-hand account of a 13-year-old teenage mother.

## RADIO CATEGORY

In this category, Germaine Umukazana from Kigali Today emerged the Overall Winner. Her story sought to raise awareness around the challenges faced by minors who are victims of sexual abuse. Radio Ishingiro's Emmanuel Gatarama emerged First Runner-Up with his story about a man who has embraced family planning and chosen to raise awareness around the role of men in child spacing. The Second Runner-Up slot was won by Valens Hagumimana from Energy Radio who discussed challenges around family planning in Rubavu district.

## PRINT CATEGORY

In the print category, the Overall Winner was Diane Nikuze Nkusi from Umuringa News. Her story touched on the role of sex work and its connection to the spread of HIV. Ubumwe journalist Marie Louise Mukanyandwi's story on a phone application that supports women to avoid unwanted pregnancies scooped her the First Runner Up award while 'The Bridge's Mediatrice took home the 2nd Runner-Up award for her story on the value of breastfeeding spaces at the workplace.

## CLOSING INFORMATION GAPS

Speaking at the award ceremony, the Director General of Rwanda Biomedical Center (RBC). Prof. Claude Mambo Muvunyi acknowledged the key role that the media plays in supporting the government in implementing its health programs.



On behalf of RBC, we're delighted to acknowledge the key role each of you (media) plays in bridging knowledge gaps, dispelling misconceptions, and empowering communities with accurate, transformative information. **These reproductive health topics are in line with the priorities set by the Rwandan government, aiming to enhance the lives of women and adolescents.** We remain committed to nurturing increased media interest and demand for information on these crucial topics to drive positive change.

Prof. Claude Mambo Muvunyi,  
Director General, RBC

The Deputy Country Representative for UNFPA-Rwanda, Renata Tallarico reminded those present that journalism holds an extra-ordinary power adding that journalists' dedication to shedding light on SRHR issues is instrumental in advocating for the rights and wellbeing of all individuals especially women and children.



Reporting on SRHR is not easy because it is a very sensitive topic. However, **correct and scientifically based information saves lives** and gives all a chance to make informed decisions over their bodies, their lives and their future. **As UNFPA, we stand ready to support you** clarifying concepts when you have doubt and share technical opinions that can be helpful as information on SRHR is reported and interpreted.

*You can count on us.*

” - Renata Tallarico, UNFPA-RWANDA

## SIGNIFICANT COVERAGE

Addressing the guests, our Executive Director, Dr. Aflodis Kagaba highlighted the rising engagement of journalists in Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights story coverage. He emphasized the noticeable surge in entries spanning HIV, SRHR, and inclusion and significant rise in entries, this time beyond Kigali City but from all the regions across the country.

## PUBLIC INTEREST JOURNALISM

The Executive Secretary of the Rwanda Media Commission (RMC), Emmanuel Mugisha told the participants that his institution has recently kicked off efforts dedicated to advancing public interest journalism and commended HDI and partners for consistency in inspiring and uplifting the media. Running in its 8th edition, the award competition aims to increase media reporting on SRHR, encourage media to create more spaces for informed conversations on SRHR, SGBV and human right and involve journalists in advocacy to improve access to SRH information and services for all.

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