16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE



What is 16 Days?

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence is an international campaign to challenge and to galvanize action to end violence against women and girls. It was initiated in 1991 by the first Women's Global Leadership Institute held by the Center for Women's Global Leadership (CWGL) at Rutgers University.



When?

The campaign runs every year from November 25 to December 10



Significant dates to note

November 25 - International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

December 1 - World AIDS Day

December 10 - International Human Rights Day and the anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.



Did You Know?

On November 25, 1960, three sisters, Patria Mercedes Mirabal, María Argentina Minerva Mirabal and Antonia María Teresa Mirabal, were assassinated in the Dominican Republic on the orders of the Dominican ruler Rafael Trujillo. The Mirabel sisters fought hard to end Trujillo's dictatorship. In 1981, activists at the Latin American and Caribbean Feminist Encuentros marked November 25 as a day to combat and raise awareness of violence against women.



2020 Theme

This year's theme highlights the importance of the multi-sectoral response to prevent gender based violence, the collection of data and the empowerment of all stakeholders through ongoing capacity building and educational awareness

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