

How to Address VAW in your Clinic !

- Do no harm.
- Identify Violence
- Empathetic response
- Clinical care
- Referrals as needed.
- Documentation
- Medico-legal evidence
- Advocacy as community role models

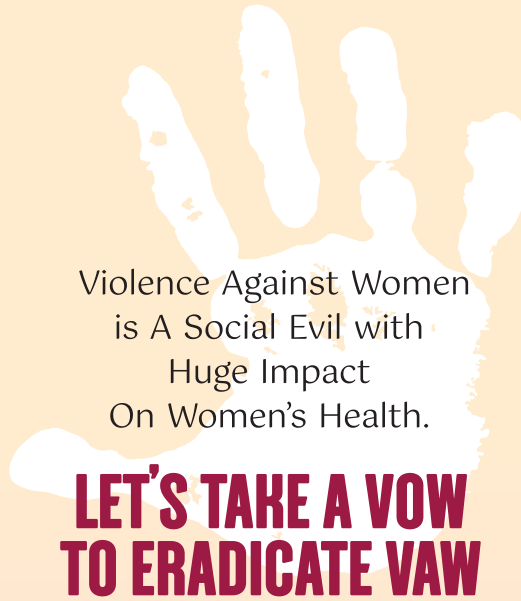


WHOM TO CONTACT ??
Helpline Numbers:

Women in Distress	1091
Domestic Abuse Helpline	181
National Commission for Women	011-26942369 011-26944754
Child helpline	1098
Police	100



STOP



Violence Against Women
is A Social Evil with
Huge Impact
On Women's Health.

**LET'S TAKE A VOW
TO ERADICATE VAW**



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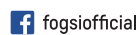
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WHAT IS VAW

Violence against women (VAW) is a grave condition with serious effects on women's lives and health. VAW is a gross human rights violation. United Nations Article 1 defines VAW as "Any act of gender-based violence that results in, or is likely to result in, physical, sexual or psychological harm or suffering to women, including threats of such acts, coercion or arbitrary deprivations of liberty, whether occurring in public or private".

HOW COMMON IS VAW?

Worldwide 736 million women making it 1 in 3 women are subjected to physical and/or sexual violence by Partner, sexual violence by others, or both at least once in their life.

THE ROOTS OF VAW

- Toxic Masculinity
- Gender Bias
- Patriarchal Society -
- Gender Stereotyping.
- Sexism

WHY GYNAECOLOGISTS NEED TO KNOW AND TALK ABOUT VAW?

Most of the Serious health problems of women are rooted in violence. Serious health problems during pregnancy have roots in violence.

The OBG specialists are the PRIMARY CARE GIVERS and FIRST POINT OF CONTACT for Women's Health Issues in their Lifetime. Women are likely to disclose Violence / Abuse with them.

The OBG specialist, if trained and sensitized can identify, give first aid, treat, refer, and collect evidence of the survivors of Violence who approach them.

TYPES OF VAW

- **Physical Violence :**
Acid Attacks, Honour Killings, Femicide, Sexual Violence
- **Psychological Violence:**
Financial Manipulation, Emotional Abuse, Bullying, Stalking, Eve Teasing, Criminal Intimidation
- **Combination :** Domestic Violence



PROTECTION BY LAW:

- **ACID ATTACK ATTEMPT**
Section 326B IPC
imprisonment 5 -7 years and or fine.
- **ACID ATTACK**
Section 326A IPC
imprisonment of not less than 10 years, to life, Fine to meet the medical expenses of victim.

● SEXUAL ASSAULT

- Section 354 IPC - with 1-5 years and a fine
- Nirbhaya Act, 2013,
- Section 375 IPC - Against Rape
- Section 354 A IPC - Against Sexual harassment and unwanted physical contact
- POCSO Act 2012 - protects minors from sexual abuse.

● STALKING

Section 354D IPC
imprisonment for 1-3 years, and liable to fine.

● VOYEURISM:

Section 354 C IPC,
imprisonment for 1-3 years on first conviction, 3-7 years for more .

● EVE TEASING

Section 294 - a maximum of 3 months.
Section 509 IPC - punishes men who acts or uses an object to insult a woman with jail term for up to 3 years.

● CRIMINAL INTIMIDATION

Section 503 IPC - imprisonment for up to 2 years, or a fine, or both.

● SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Section 354A IPC - up to 3 years of imprisonment.

● DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Domestic Violence Act 2005 covers physical, sexual, verbal, and economic abuse, grants immediate protection, Punishes the abuser with imprisonment upto 3 years.
Section 354D IPC imprisonment for 1-3 years, and liable to fine.

