

A Kenya free from GBV and FGM by 2026

GEF COMMITMENTS



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The Generation Equality platform, led by UN Women, along with Mexico and France, aims to speed up the fulfillment of gender equality goals set in the 1995 Beijing Declaration. It has identified six key areas and established Action Coalitions for each, such as Gender-Based Violence, Economic justice, Bodily autonomy, Climate justice, Technology for Gender Equality, and Feminist leadership, crucial for driving progress in gender equality globally.

"Zawadi, Wanjiru! Did you know about the Generation Equality Forum holding that meeting there? I hear they advocate for transformative change!"

"Yes! I heard them talk about Beijing the last time. We should listen in!"

"They Were talking about the Commitments President Uhuru made to increase the momentum of ending all forms of Gender Based Violence (GBV) and Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) in Kenya."

EMPOWERMENT AND UNITY

As a leader, the Government of Kenya aims to use the Generation Equality platform to reaffirm its commitment to ending all forms of GBV and FGM, implementing President Uhuru Kenyatta's pledge to end FGM, addressing the rise in GBV cases during the COVID-19 pandemic, and enhancing enforcement and implementation of legal and policy measures to combat GBV and FGM.

Creating enabling environments for the elimination of GBV.



Kenya, along with the UK, Uruguay, and Iceland, as well as the European Union, Ford Foundation, civil society, and private sector partners, co-leads the Gender-Based Violence Action Coalition.

Scaling up evidence-driven prevention programming.



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Kenya aims to build upon its progress since 1995 in addressing Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), despite ongoing challenges faced by women and girls in various aspects of life.

Increasing accountability, participation, and support to autonomous girl-led, women's rights organizations (WRO), women's rights activists (WRA), and women human rights defenders (WHRD) working to address GBV (including female genital mutilation (FGM) and child early and forced marriage/early unions.]



Kenya advocates for the adoption and enforcement of laws and policies that prohibit all forms of gender-based violence against women and girls, aiming to protect 550 million more women and girls by 2026.

An illustration of two Black women sitting at a purple table, reading books. The woman on the left has long braids and is wearing a pink headband and a light green top. The woman on the right has short curly hair and is wearing a bright green top. They are both looking down at their books. In the background, there is a stylized city skyline with blue buildings against a yellow and orange sky. A grey bag sits on the table between them.

"Look at these areas tackling Gender-Based Violence, Economic justice, Bodily autonomy, Climate justice, Technology, and Feminist movements!"

"We can move forward as a group by learning from these and contributing to ending all forms of Gender Based Violence (GBV) and Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) in Kenya soon!"

Kenya calls for increased allocation of resources towards prevention strategies, both in regular settings and during crises, with the goal of reducing the occurrence of gender-based violence by 50% in national policies by 2026.

GDENDE

"Kenya leads the GBV Action Coalition for transformative change."

" My dear friends,
going forward, we
are taking charge
in ending GBV!
But how do we do it?"



Kenya should emphasise the need for improved services for survivors of gender-based violence, including access to police, justice, health, and social support.

" Look! We have been provided with a roadmap! Check out these sub-themes, creating environments, evidence-driven programming, comprehensive services, and supporting girl-led organisations. All these are things we can achieve as a group."

"GBV Action
Coalition's roadmap
for ending all forms
of GBV by 2026."

GLOBAL ROADMAP



By 2026, Kenya should have comprehensive action plans in place to better support survivors.



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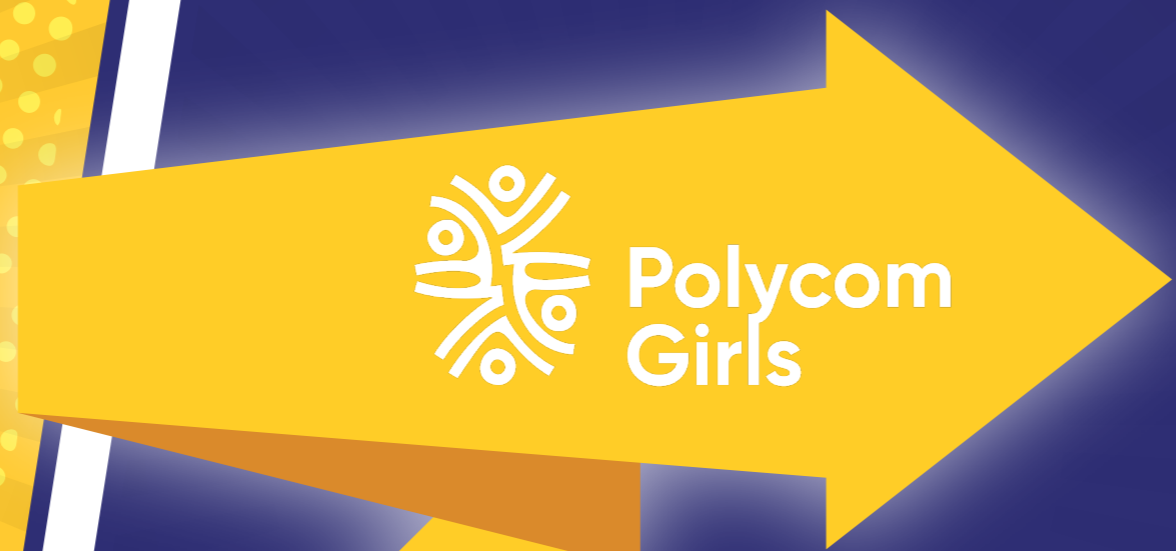
There is a need for increased funding and support from governments, businesses, and donors which should go towards women's rights organisations fighting gender-based violence.

"Equality Now Urges Action."

EQUALITY



24 HOURS



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Funding should grow by 50% by 2026 to support

"We have to commit as women, but also ask for a lot of action from other members of our community here in Kizingiti village."

"But what about the reality? We're still facing these violations individually."



"Justice remains elusive for many."

What can Women and girls do?: Women and girls at the grassroots level in Kenya can actively participate in community dialogues and awareness campaigns to highlight the importance of gender equality and the Generation Equality Forum.

"We need to ensure these GEF commitments become a reality soon!"

"Our voices matter in this fight! Action Now!"

"Let's push for everyone's accountability and



What can Women and girls do?: They can organize grassroots movements to advocate for policy changes and implementation of laws that protect women's rights and combat GBV and FGM.

Hope and Unity in Action



What can Women and girls do?: they can engage in capacity-building activities to empower themselves and others with knowledge about their rights and how to access available support services.

"Our country Kenya needs to turn these commitments into a reality!"

"yes! For our safer and equal future for us and our children! We will not let our leaders forget!"

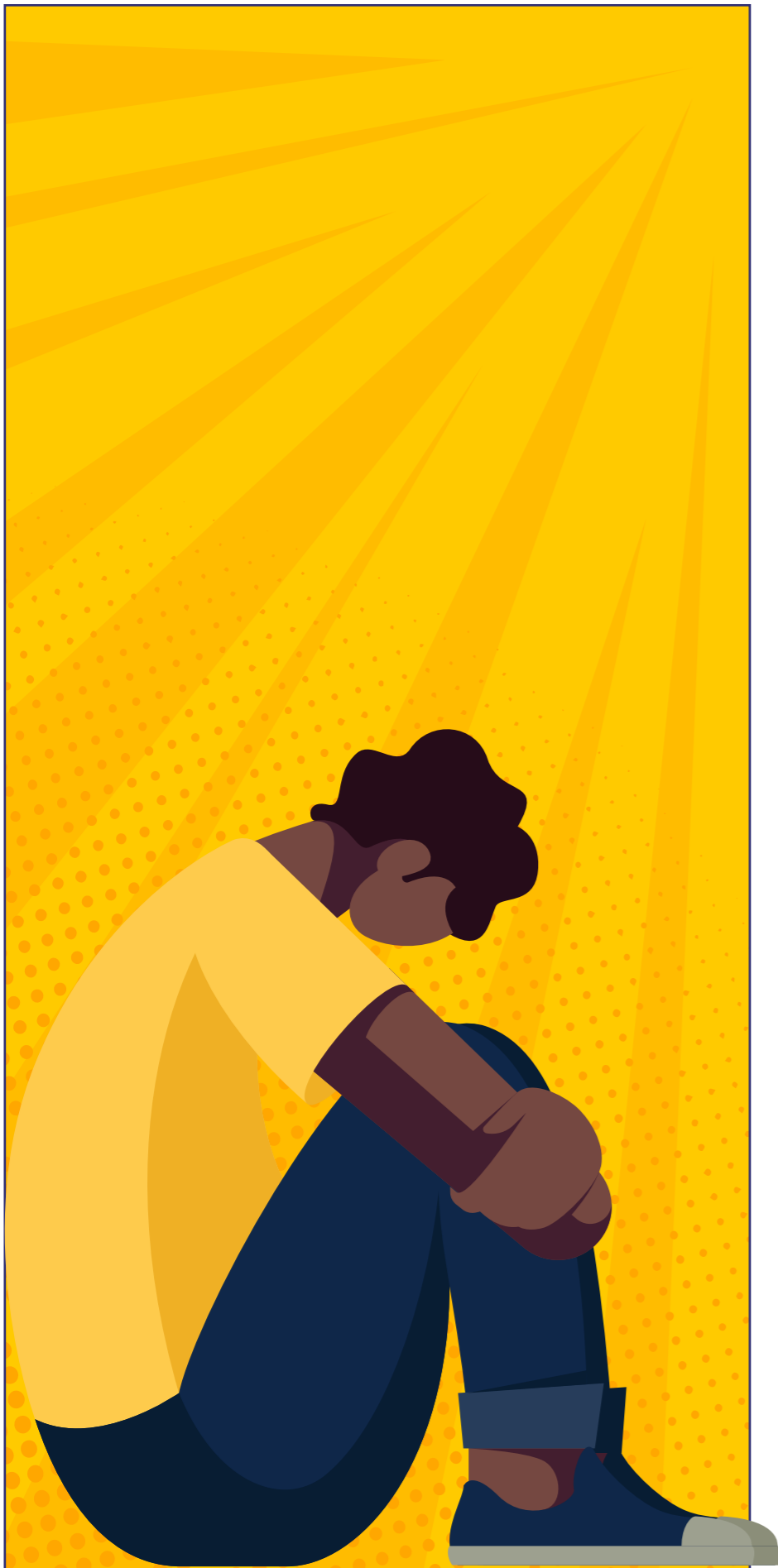
"Our united voices will make a difference for each girl!"



What can Women and girls do?: Collaborating with the government and likeminded CSOs, they can establish community-led initiatives and partnerships to address gender disparities and ensure the commitments of the Generation Equality Forum are realised at the local level.

By making the 12 commitments, the Government of Kenya aims to increase the global momentum towards ending all forms of GBV and FGM by 2026.





1. Commit to the full implementation of GBV laws and policies by adopting a GBV indicator in the government Performance contracting framework to track duty-bearers accountability on enforcement and implementation of GBV laws and policies by 2022.
2. Commit to investing USD 23million for GBV prevention and response by 2022 and increase the resource allocation up to USD 50million by 2026 through a co-financing model. Specifically, the Government of Kenya, commits to sustain the allocation for FY2020/2021 of USD 2.79 million to GBV and FGM and incrementally work towards a minimum budget allocation of USD 5million for subsequent financial years. In addition, we commit to institute an accountability framework for tracking expenditure.
3. Commit to ratify and implement the ILO Convention 190 on eliminating Gender-Based Violence and Harassment in the world of work by 2026 in close partnership with the private sector.
4. Commit to introducing a module on GBV in the 2022 Kenya Demographic Health Survey to strengthen the utilization of gender statistics in informing the design, scale-up and evaluation of FGM and GBV programming.
5. Commit to develop a GBV management and information system by 2022 to strengthen GBV prevention and response programming.
6. Commit to invest Kshs.100 million annually for GBV research and innovation to boost evidence based programming by 2026.



7. Commit to integrating GBV services (medical, legal and psychological support services) into the essential minimum package of the Universal Health Coverage UHC by 2022.

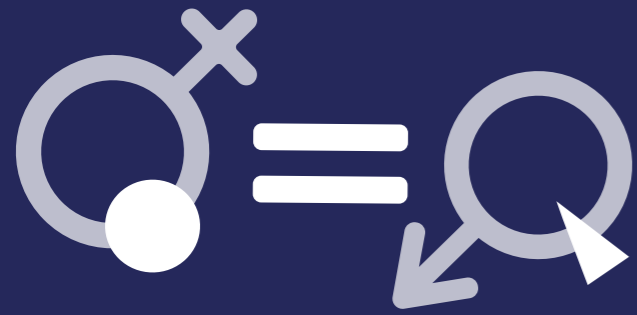
8. Commit to scaling up the national police service integrated response to GBV ('Policare'1), and establishing Gender-Based Violence Recovery Centers and shelters in all 47 counties by 2026.

9. Commit to establishing a GBV survivors fund through a co-financing model in partnership with private sector, civil society and other stakeholders for economic empowerment of GBV survivors.

10. Commit to GBV prevention and response in crisis situations such as COVID-19 pandemic response, humanitarian contexts, and electoral-related GBV.

11. Commit to strengthen collaboration with non-state actors including girl-led, women's rights organisations, male champions, and private sector through coordination structures such as the Gender Sector working groups at the national and county levels.

12. Commit to adopting and institutionalising the multi-sectoral GEF Leadership structure comprising the National Advisory Committee, the National Steering Committee, and the county leadership structure to guide the implementation of Kenya's GEF Commitments in the GBV Action Coalition up to 2026.



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