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## Acronyms

AAWA- Addis Ababa Women's Association,

AWSAD- Association for Women's Sanctuary and Development

CSC- Community Score Card

CSSP- Civil Society Support Program

CEDAW-Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women

CEHRO-Consortium for Ethiopian Human Rights Organizations

CSO- Civil Society Organizations

DV-Domestic Violence

EHRC-Ethiopian Human Rights Commission

ESAP- Ethiopian Social Accountability Program

EU-European Union

EWLA-Ethiopian Women Lawyers Association

FTA-Financial Transparency and Accountability

FGD-Focus Group Discussion

HTP-Harmful Traditional Practices

IT-Information Technology

JAP-Joint Action Plan

MoU-Memorandum of Understanding

NDI-National Democratic Institute

NEBE- National Electoral Board of Ethiopia

PPB-Participatory Planning and Budgeting

RH-Reproductive Health

SA-Social Accountability

SAC-Social Accountability Council

SGBV- Sexual and Gender Based Violence

SNNPRS-Southern Nations Nationalities and Peoples Regional State

SRHR-Sexual and Reproductive Health Right

SH-Sexual Harassment

SIHA-Strategic Intervention for Women in the Horn of Africa

ToT- Training of Trainers

UNFPA-The United Nations Population Fund

VAW- Violence against Women

VAW-E-Violence against Women during Election

VAW-P- Violence against Women in Politics

## Introduction

The Association, to achieve its mission, have been working under the three core programs, which are *Free Legal Aid Program, Public Education and Capacity Building Program, and Research and Advocacy*. This report will narrate the major achievements under each program engagement. Through legal aid service services, the organisation has been able to provide legal assistances for 13,322 different women who needed different legal assistance. Under the public education and capacity building program, the organisation has been able to educate and raise awareness for 50 events for the society and stakeholders. EWLA considers research and advocacy works are also essential to bring real change in the country. Thus, EWLA had undertaken 8 researches and 53 major advocacy related activities during the reporting period.

### 1. Free Legal aid Service (Program Description and Components)

Due to cultural, structural, legal, and other causes, women's rights are infringed in several parts of Ethiopia. Women's rights are violated by many parties in a variety of settings, including the family, workplace, and public spaces by intimate life partners, near relatives, and strangers. Under the Free Legal Aid program, different women and their children who are unable to afford the legal aid service charge have been supported in the areas access to justice and court representation. With this EWLA have provided legal counseling, mediation services, and get legal assistance in seeking to solve the problems of these women. EWLA volunteers and the legal aid staff members have worked intensively to advance women's rights to legal representation and a fair trial. In addition to this, the structure of referral linkages Federal Supreme Court Child Justice Project Office, Ethiopian Human Rights Commission, safe houses (AAWA and AWSAD), One Stop Center, the Ministry of Justice, health facilities, education bureaus, women's affairs offices, and organizations that offer PS services have been used to support different women in their needs.

Thus, during this year, the organization provided legal aid and assistance services to **3714 cases at the head office (1386 new and 2328 existing cases) and 6947 cases (4182 new and 2764 existing cases)** in 8 branch offices and at volunteer committees. Thus, a total of **10,661** cases have been addressed in total. Among the different type of cases which have been handled, Matrimonial conflicts, proprietary claims, labor disputes, child support, paternity, early marriage, abduction, rape, severe bodily harm, murder and attempted murder were some of the supported cases.

The legal aid service was provided by Legal Aid Officers and 21 EWLA volunteers who work for EWLA on weekly basis at the organization's legal aid centers. Seven of the total number of volunteers are from the head office, while the other two from Amhara, three from Hawassa, three from Adama, two from Dridawa, two from Assosa, and two from Gmabela branch offices.

### **1.1. Court Representation**

One of the major barriers to women's access to justice is the inability to pay court representation fees due to financial and human resource constraints. Court counsel is offered to EWLA clients whose cases were complex, with priority given to women with disabilities and the elderly. As a result, **53 women** obtained this service throughout the reporting period.

### **1.2. Mediation and Reconciliation**

Mediation and reconciliation are preferable to settle legal disputes when there is no legal prohibition to and consent of the parties at dispute is secured. Mostly, marital disputes are resolved through mediation compared to other types of cases in order to protect the safety of children and the family at large. In this reporting period, **218 clients** got their cases resolved through mediation and reconciliation.

### **1.3. Referral Services**

Referral services are required to satisfy some other areas of clients' service demands because EWLA does not currently provide all the services its clients require in a package. Legal aid officers of the EWLA followed up on cases of clients who were referred to the Attorney General, including reporting criminal cases involving VAW and children. They discussed cases with police, public prosecutors, and other authorities to protect women and girls from further victimization and aid survivors in getting justice. In this year, **67 survivors** got referral service as per their need.

### **1.4. Accessing women at a Woreda level by EWLA committees**

It is known that EWLA has a structure functioning at the woreda level, which is using committees working under each branch office. The committee members are all volunteers from various backgrounds. Currently, EWLA has 257 volunteer committee members spread among its six branch offices. These volunteer committee members are trained paralegals who are capable of understanding the basic county laws, procedures, and regulations, and serving society by providing legal advice and creating a referral linkage for women to have access to justice.

### **1.5. Hotline Service**

To reach out to more clients throughout the country, EWLA has launched a national wide hotline service where any woman can obtain legal advice without having to come to the office or leave their home. The IPCC system has been established to operate the hotline service in a technically advanced manner. We

used the number 7711 for the service. The hotline provides service in three local languages (Amharic, Afan Oromo, and Tigregna) as well as English. As a result, 2,661 survivors accessed the hotline service throughout the reporting period. From the total number of calls, 2077 were directed to the Amharic call center, 558 to the Afan Oromo call center, and the remaining 26 to the Tigiregna call center.

## 1.6. Survivor Fund

Economic issues are one of the major issues that prevent women from accessing justice. As a result, EWLA provides some funding to the survivors to cover for transportation and other minor expenses. Hence, throughout this reporting period, EWLA provided Victim Fund for **533 survivors**.

**Table 1 –Report summery for the Head office and Eight Branch Offices (Jan 1– December 31/2022)**

| S.no | Branch office | New         | Existing    | Court Rep. |
|------|---------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| 1    | Head Office   | 1386        | 2328        | 13         |
| 2    | Bahirdar      | 641         | 804         | 1          |
| 3    | Adama         | 754         | 896         | 2          |
| 4    | Hawassa       | 456         | 450         | 2          |
| 5    | Diredawa      | 369         | 423         |            |
| 6    | Assosa        | 152         | 325         |            |
| 7    | Gambela       | 260         | 369         |            |
| 8    | Jigijiga      | 8           | -           |            |
| 9    | Semera        | 5           |             |            |
|      | <b>Total</b>  | <b>6487</b> | <b>4121</b> | <b>53</b>  |

**Table 2: Selected Cases represented in court at the Head Office (Jan 1– December 31/2022)**

|                              | Type of Cases        | Name of Volunteer Attorney | Number of Cases | File Number |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 1                            | Divorce and property | Beza Birehunu              | 1               | 0935/2014   |
| 2                            | Child crusted        | Beza Shewangzaw            | 1               | 0425/2014   |
|                              |                      |                            |                 | 1040/2014   |
| 3                            | Succession           | Aselefechi Mersha          | 2               | 0667/2014   |
| 4                            | Divorce and property |                            |                 | 0921/2014   |
| 5                            | property             | Werku legesse              | 1               | 0911/2014   |
| 6                            | Divorce and property | Tiget Belay                | 1               | 1035/2014   |
| 7                            | property             | Aselefechi Mersha          | 1               | 0742/2014   |
| 8                            | Divorce and property | Beza Birehunu              | 1               | 0595/2014   |
| 9                            | Property             | Senayet Tasswe             | 1               | 1162/2014   |
| 10                           | property             | Werku legesse              | 1               | 0655/2013   |
|                              |                      |                            |                 | 1040/2014   |
| <b>Total number of cases</b> |                      |                            | <b>10</b>       |             |

**Table 3- Selected Cases represented in court at the region from Jan 1– December 31/2022**

|   | Type of Cases                      | Name of Volunteer Attorney | Branch office   | File Number |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 1 | Employment                         | Amanuel Dibabe             | Hawassa Branch  | 0766/14     |
| 2 | Paternity/maintainance             | Amanuel Dibabe             | Hawassa Branch  | 0699/14     |
| 3 | property claim                     | Tsehay Tesfay              | Adama Branch    | EWLA 073    |
| 4 | Divorce/Matrimonial Property claim | Tsehay Tesfaye             | Adama Branch    | 6814        |
| 5 | Marital dispute                    | Ato Addis Abebe            | Bahirdar Branch | 1088/22     |

**Table 4 – Accepted calls by EWLA Hotline Center Jan 1– December 31/2022**

| No. | Type of cases                 | No. of calls at the Amharic call center | No. calls at the Afan Oromo call center | No. calls at the Tigregna call center |
|-----|-------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1   | Criminal Case                 | 9                                       | 0                                       |                                       |
| 2   | Civil case                    | 653                                     | 3                                       |                                       |
| 3   | Disconnected calls            | 400                                     | 112                                     |                                       |
| 4   | To ask information about EWLA | 850                                     | 196                                     | 7                                     |
| 5   | Just to make fun              | 41                                      | 5                                       |                                       |
| 6   | Others                        | 124                                     | 20                                      | 19                                    |
|     | <b>Total</b>                  | <b>2077</b>                             | <b>558</b>                              | <b>26</b>                             |

## **1.7.Extra – Legal Aid Activities**

- i. Initiating strategic litigation to challenge the licensing and the practice of investment allegedly implicated with rampant sexual harassment which creating unfavourable conditions for and violence against women.**

Under a project EWLA are intending to with LHR – EWLA developed a project proposal with an aim of Improving the working conditions of women in different investments, with strategic litigations by challenging the rampant sexual harassment which created unfavourable conditions for women. The strategy of innervation is Research-based advocacy and Strategic litigation at court regarding the issue. The major activities that will be done is conducting research assessing the situation, collecting and compiling evidence, preparing and filing suits in court, and advocating on improvements of women’s working conditions through a change of Legal and policy reform. Currently EWLA is working with LHR on verge of filing with an aim to strategically litigate to challenge the licensing and the practice of

investment allegedly implicated with rampant sexual harassment which creating unfavourable conditions for and violence against women.

**ii. Preparation of Intervention plan for domestic worker litigation activities in Ethiopia.**

Solidarity center have approached EWLA to work on Initiating litigation to challenge the exclusion of domestic workers in the legislative frameworks in Ethiopia. To this aim EWLA could work together to bring a legislative reform for the incorporation of Domestic workers in Ethiopia, with an aim to improve the living and working conditions of Domestic workers. This could also support our current advocacy work under the funding of the Packard foundation. Thus, an intervention plan has been developed and submitted for the solidarity center team in order to being the following long-term reforms.

**iii. Legal aid registration on secured data base**

EWLA is digitizing many different cases (uploading hardcopy cases to the EWLA database), such as divorce/matrimonial property claims, paternity and maintenance claims, employment disputes, successions, rape, murder and attempted murder, grievous bodily harm and related threats, abduction, early marriage, and others that have been documented by the EWLA head office and the six regional offices through the USAID/OTI grant, which provided in-kind assistance that included enabling digitization of EWLA’s information management system. This also enhances the advancement of progressive democratic reforms by improving EWLA’s ability to deliver legal aid and promote women’s rights.

The following table shows the number of cases that are being entered by the ten interns that were hired by OTI financial Support in each region during this year, including the head office as follows:

| EWLA Offices                                   | The total number of cases entered into the database in each region | year of the cases that were entered into the database |
|--|--|---|
| Adama Regional Offices                         | 493  | 2018-2019   |
| Bahirdar Regional Office                       | 312  | 2002  |
| Asossa Regional Office                         | 575  | 2012-2017   |
| Deredawa Regional Office                       | 327  | 2018-2022   |
| Hawassa Regional Office                        | 830  | 2019-2020   |
| Gambella Regional Office                       | 148  | 2019-2020   |
| Addis Ababa (Head Quarter)                     | 294  | 2017-2018   |
| Total cases that are entered into the database | <b>2979</b>  |   |

*iv. Established Legal Aid center in IDP Camps*

Mobile legal aid center have been established in Jara , Semen Wello and Semera to provide free legal aid service (Counselling, referral linkage, court representation and related services though the legal officer.

## **2. Public Education and Capacity Building (Program Description and Components)**

The other major program areas in which EWLA is known for and succeeded in building the capacity of the community at large with an aim to build up the legal knowledge of the society. Accordingly, capacity building trainings and awareness creation activities have been undertaken throughout the reporting period.

### **2.1. Trainings on GBV, and SRH (sexual and Reproductive health) rights, and Labor law right trainings**

- With the support from Engender Health trainings on sexual and reproductive health rights have been delivered to law enforcement and other relevant stakeholders. Under this capacity building activity, 69 participants (29 male and 40 female) Addis Ababa City Justice Bureau, Addis Ababa City High Court, and Addis Ababa Police Commission have been engaged with an aim to enhance their understanding on both the SRH concepts and the legal issues thereof.
- Under the project engagement which is funded by The Packard foundation EWLA has undertaken two rounds of training on GBV, Women's Rights and SRH issues for different female domestic workers who are newly joining and those who are working in different households of the selected sub-cities. The training a total of 105 female domestic workers have been part of the training on GBV, Women's rights and SRH issues.
- With generous funding from the UN-Women, EWLA has conducted awareness-raising training for law enforcement and pertinent government organs, customary institutions run by community elders and/or other local actors on GBV issues with a focus on accountability of the government for realizing GBV-free communities and survivor centred service in both regions of Amhara and Afar. This With the aim to create awareness on how to prevent GBV, how to mitigate GBV and Response after GBV takes place and how associate risk of conflict and COVID-19 affects women and girls.
- Under our project being supported by ILO, training for different police officers on how to handle and investigate sexual harassment and based base violence cases reported by workers for labor judges, legal aids and Labor Relation Boards, employers and workers organizations on Gender equality and workers right as per the national labor law and ILS for labor bench judges, legal aid employees, and labor relation

boards, and came from various backgrounds including level of experience, type of expertise, and place of work from three regions: Amhara, Oromia, and both SNNPR and Sidama to enhance their knowledge, attitudes, and practices of the participants in relation to the designated topics.

#### **2.1.1. Training on Gender, Child participation and GBV**

Training on Gender, Child participation and GBV have been delivered under the project engagement of *SHE LEADS Project* a training on GBV, Gender and Child Participation have been delivered for various community members including Sectors, Kebele Social Courts, GYW and EWLA Volunteers from the project kebeles for 60 participants (26 Males and 34 Females). Main objectives of the training were to address the issues of Gender Based Violence (GBV), Gender, Child Participation, meaningful participation of GYW and Children and to enhance the capacity of GYW and other participants to prevent GBV and promote the participation of children in each of the She Leads project activities.

- Understanding Labor law and Contract law is expected to build the capacity of female domestic workers in their interaction with their employers and the community at large under the project being funded by *the Packard foundation*. Thus, EWLA have trained 100 female domestic workers and different persons from the concerned bodies in the reporting period. Participants of the training have been able to discuss in small groups the issues stated above and different experiences were shared by the participants themselves.

#### **2.1.2. Coalition activity with committee and outreach activity**

There were pre-established women support group in Dire Dawa city administration to support women at grass root level. EWLA with direct support from SIHA project this women group have conducted community conversation in their village or Kebeles to discuss various problems in the community. In addition to this training have been conducted the leaders of CC members on s (GBV, Domestic Abuse, women empowerment, women and economic empowerment).

#### **2.1.3. Conduct campaigns aiming for change in individual behavior and social norms and attitudes on GBV in targeted schools, Addis Ababa.**

Ethiopian Women Lawyers Association under WVL project conducted a campaigns aiming for change in individual behaviour and social norms and attitudes on GBV aligning with this year March 8, 2022 international Women's Day in targeted: Addis Ketema and Kokebe Atsbeha high schools, Addis Ababa.

The school campaign stresses on the violations that have deterred women from actively participating in various fields, including in academics, technologies and other activities, in relation to freedom of opinion and expression, especially in relation to criticizing violations of women's rights and negative social norms and practices.

## **2.2.4. Conducting Public campaign in Gambella and Adama**

EWLA remains resolute in promoting gender equality, women's rights and women's empowerment, in a rapidly globalizing and dynamic world. EWLA also taking great strides to redress gender imbalance, and promote women's rights.

EWLA conducts public campaign works with direct support from plan international, to take standard and review past progress, as well as, barriers that have continued to violate women right and ways to mitigate and role of every one in mitigating and response mechanisms to raise on the stage/campaign. Various EWLA published material: brochures and leaflets were distributed on the campaign in order to increase the awareness level of the communities.

## **2.2.5. SRHR and Gender-based violence awareness-raising training**

Sexual and reproductive health right awareness raising training for law enforcement organs have been conducted in February 28-March 1, 2022 and March 30- 31,2022 at Inter luxury hotels, Addis Ababa. The trainings provided focused on the main points of basic concepts SRH and components of reproductive health, Sexual and reproductive right, the legal frameworks of sexual reproductive health right and GBV. At the training session, a total of 45 (15 male and 1 28 female) participants invited from law enforcement organs, (Addis Ababa police commissions, federal first instance courts and Addis Ababa justice Bureau and Addis Ababa city courts) have attended.

## **2.2. Training on CRC survey**

UWECA and EWLA organize three-day training in April 27 to 29, 2022 sapphire Addis Hotel, Addis Ababa in collaboration with management agency/MA. The main topic of the training were introduction about the CRC survey, briefing on CRC tool, sampling methodology, pre-assessment survey preparatory activities, data collection tools and forms - How to use ODK data collection app, data entry, analysis and how to save, edit and synchronize to the server.

The main objective of the training was to introduce and clarify the Citizen Report Card/CRC/ survey tool for social accountability implementing partners. The training also help project implementing partners to have equal understanding on the nature of the survey tool and data gathering process.

### ***2.2.1. Deploy enumerators and conduct the field interview/CRC Survey.***

In this year EWLA facilitate and deployed enumerators and guiders (10) to conduct a field survey in two EWLA targeted woredas (Nifas Silk W. 11 and W.8). 10 Enumerators deployed who has taken the

training on the CRC survey and have a technical proficiency in using data collection mobile apps, have experience in carrying out similar surveys and knowledge.

### **2.2.2. Organize one-day consultation on CRC survey at Woreda level with key stakeholders.**

EWLA have conducted a consultation meeting in two projects targeted woredas with key stakeholders: with local sector office, community leaders, women representatives, FTAs and Social accountability committees with the objectives of to reach consensus on the scope and methodology of the Citizen Report Card/CRC survey and the roles of each stakeholders in advance for collaborative effort in the process of CRC survey that going to conduct. A total of 47 participant Male 24 and 23 Female participated in the consultation workshop.

### **2.2.3. Sustain and Scale up Community Conversation and Family Dialogue**

Empowering Girls and Young Women to participate in Addressing Negative Social Norms included Community Conversations (CC) as one key intervention. Continuous community conversation (CC) and family dialogue have been conducted to address norms, values and practices that negatively affect women and girls focusing on GBV and HTPs, to enhance knowledge and attitudes of the community and bring the intended social and behavioral change at project site level and others, EWLA have been implemented Community Conversations jointly with key project stakeholders to sustain CC in the She Leads Project intervened districts.

### **2.2.4. Human Rights and Discriminatory Law for Law enforcement Organs Training (In Two Round I Training)**

Ethiopian Women Lawyers Association (EWLA) with the support of Terree Des homes (TDH) Netherlands, She Leads Project provided training on Human Rights and Discriminatory Law for Law enforcement Organs. Women's rights are the basic rights and freedoms to which all humans are entitled. Discrimination based on sex is prohibited under almost every human rights treaty. Discrimination is any distinction, exclusion or restriction made on the basis of sex which has the effect or purpose of hampering the enjoyments by women of their human rights. The Human Rights and Discriminatory Law for Law enforcement Organs have been given on March 15-19, 2022 in Adet town focuses to tackle the discriminations on women.

There were 26 participant, Male=21 and Female =5 mainly: Adet town polices handling women affairs, Adet town Court Public Prosecutor Judges, Community Police officers, district Women and Social Affairs.

### **2.2.5. Run Media Advocacy on Amhara TV & Radio on issues of discrimination and early marriage**

EWLA with the support TDH- She Leads Project has planned to implement Media Activities by entering an agreement with Amhara Media Corporation (AMC). The Media Activities are planned to focus on the issues related with discriminations on women's land ownership, GBV/HTPs, divorce and subsequent impacts on women's property ownership and associated socio- economic crisis affecting women.

Operational plan on the Media Activity was prepared by AMC in collaboration with EWLA Public Relations department before months (November, 2021). There was delay as a result of lack of focus by AMC Promotion, Marketing and Customer Services Directorate, the Editors and Producers. At project level, we hold frequent discussions with the Directorate and follow up with the assigned Producer and Editor by expressing our interest to implement the activities as soon as possible by providing the necessary supports needed from our side. At Branch level, EWLA Branch Manager hold discussion with the Director on the delay of the program and the way forwards. Hence, we are waiting their decisions to mobilize the necessary logistics and human resources to produces the programs and then broadcast to the public so that the objectives meet.

### **2.2.6. Strengthen Girls' Clubs through materials provision in target schools**

She leads Project have been working in schools in Adet town and other two districts to enhance the capacity of all students in general and females' students in particular on Gender-Based violence and Harmful traditional practices specially on Early Marriage, FGM, HIV/AIDS prevention and control.

In order to strengthen the girl's clubs, different equipment's are purchased and become ready for distribution by the coming weeks to the targeted schools. The purchased equipment's are: Mini media equipment (High speaker microphone for schools), Desk top computers for schools, Secret box for collecting information on Early Marriage, SRH & Violence on girls and sanitary pads to be provided for students from low income families.

### **2.2.7. IEC/BCC printing**

In order to strengthening Girl's clubs in materials in targeted schools, she led project purchased different supplies and equipment's and delivered in the in this year in Yilmana Densa wereda in Amhara region. In addition to this, under this category, there was an activity of producing and distribution of IEC/BCC materials. In this regard, EWLA have planned to produce booklets focusing on GBV/HTPs and Gender Mainstreaming concepts. The production was completed and sent to printers.

### **2.2.8. Conducted launching workshop in Afar (Semera) and Amhara (Kobo)**

Launching workshop have been conducted in each region Afar and Weldia to sensitized the project called for Ensuring Access to Justice for Women and Girls amongst crisis and COVID-19 affected communities in selected districts with direct support of UNWOMEN in Afar and Amhara regions 60 participants (30 from each intervention woreda) attended the validation workshop.

### **2.2.9. Conducted awareness-raising training**

Awareness raising training have been conducted in Afar and Weldia for 2 days for 80 (40 in each region) participants from IDP community members including host communities on GBV prevention, mitigation, and associated risks caused by both conflict and COVID-19 pandemic, including promotion of non-violent, non-discriminatory and gender equitable norms in Amhara and Weldia Regions with financial support of UNWOMEN.

### **2.2.10. Conducted awareness raising training**

GBV training have been conduct for 80 participants (40 for each region) for 2 days for law enforcement and pertinent government organs, customary institutions run by community elders and/or other local actors on GBV issues with focus on accountability of the government for realizing GBV-free communities and survivor centered service with collaboration of UNWOMEN.

### **2.3. UNFPA Bi Annual Review Meeting**

Review meeting have been conducted in all region with financial support of UNFPA (Amhara, Gambela, Oromiya, SNNPR and Sidama). on the Meeting 145 (104 Female and 41 Male) participants attended the review meeting, the major stakeholders participated on the meeting, regional women offices, one stop center, Women's shelter, Health professionals Police, Public prosecutor, Judges, EWLA Volunteers selected CSOs. The main objective of the meeting was to assess the work of EWLA with financial support of UNFPA over the reporting period.

### **2.4. ToT training on investigation, communication, and survivors' friendly services to Judges and public prosecutors**

ToT training have been prepared on SGBV/HTPs for judges and Public prosecutor on May 16 -20,2022 and May 30-June 3, 2022 in Assosa City Benshangul Region and BahirDar City Amhara Region. The participants were drawn from the woreda and high courts. There were 54 Participant on both TOT training session, Public Prosecutor (23 Male & 7 female) participate in Assso and Twenty-four judges

(16 male & 8 female) participated in the training. The objective of the training was to capacitate the law enforcement bodies on SGBV and HTP for better protection and proper response.

### **2.5. A ToT on SGBV/HTPs for Judges**

ToT training has been conducted on SGBV/HTPs for Judges on December 12-16, 2021 in Assosa town. The participants were drawn from the Woreda and zonal courts working in the regional states. 30 (11 female and 19 male) Judges also participated in the training. The SGBV/SH prevention and response ToT program was designed based on the specific needs of the target groups. It was prepared based on the principles of adult learning that is participatory. The objective of the training is to capacitate the law enforcement bodies on SGBV and HTP for better protection and proper response.

### **2.6. SGBV/HTP training prison detainees**

SGBV and HTP training was given to prison detainees in Assosa region with the objective of raising awareness on SGBV/GBV and raising awareness the basic court procedure both for criminal and civil cases. There were 60 female detainees and police officers who participate in the training, the training focused majorly to be alert in promoting SGBV and HTP. In addition to discussing the legal procedure both criminal and civil. The detainee was asked the number of days to stay in the prison before they receive charge.

### **2.7. Programme Monitoring**

Supportive monitoring has been conducted on June 21-24, in Amhara region Dessie, Mersa and Weldia and Jima and Agaro in December 2022 with the main objective of supporting WLA regional committee. Three committee members monitored and especially Dessie committee re-established because of the death of chairperson of the committee. In the supportive monitoring 19 members and government officials participated.

### **2.8. Broadcast media activities**

Berchi Radio program: 12 episodes of Radio programs have been produced and broadcasted under the financial support secured from UN WOMEN and Engender Health Ethiopia. Therefore, Berchi radio program is on air since January 1, 2022. The program is a 30 minutes radio magazine, transmitted every Wednesday from 03:30 PM to 10:00 PM through Fana FM 98.1. The main topics/ issues of transmitted programs were focused on Violence Against Women (VAW), Sexual Gender Based Violence (SGBV), Gender Based Violence (GBV), Women Rights, Sexual Reproductive Health Rights (SRHR), Violence Against Women and Children on the Conflict Situations, Domestic Workers Rights, Early marriage/the

Challenge and the possible remedies/, Rape, Forced marriage and Ethiopian Law, Gender Stereotype and its impact on school girls, Barriers of girls' education and Challenges of social norms on women's rights etc...

PR has received positive comments from Fana broadcasting corporate program directors to keep up with alike content and format. It also received constructive calls and text messages from listeners.

## **2.9. GBV/VAW Event**

In collaboration with plan international project team, 2022 March 8 was celebrated in different schools in Addis Ababa, Adama and Gambella by capturing pictures and documenting them. Similarly, different messages of good wish for international women day were posted in EWLA's compound. Furthermore, EWLA has celebrated March 8, 2022 in collaboration with NEWA. Regarding media, one episode of Berchi radio program about impress Tayitu was aired Via Fana FM 98.1 on March 8.

Regarding GA meeting, PR team had worked hard in collaboration with the committee from the beginning to the end. The team participated by inviting members via social media, Tv and radio advertisement, preparing invitation letters, communicating with CSO, translating the report into Amharic, preparing PPT, compiling final work of the 2022 annual report and other necessary materials and submitting to CSO.

### **2.9.1. Training on VAW/VAW-P/VAW-E, Peacebuilding and conflict resolution and others**

- Under the project which was funded by *NDI* different rounds of training for women elected officials on VAW-E/VAW-P and gender Aware Policy/Law Reform/Making have been given. In each training, a maximum of 20 participants attended the training both from the regional council and Addis Ababa council offices. The Training contents were developed with the intention to enhance the trainees' understanding of VAW-E and VAW-P, Gender aware policy-making meaningful political participation, as well systemic exclusion and its impacts on women.
- Under the same engagement of the project of *NDI* a training for *17* different Media personnel was conducted, with the main goal of equipping media owners, journalists, bloggers, and related professionals with updated abilities to access, critically analyze, and evaluate media, allowing them to be more responsible in developing and spreading media messages. EWLA team and members formed a telegram working group to work on future media campaign work on VAW-E/VAW-P.

- Under the same funding *of NDI*, EWLA has been able to organize three (3) rounds of capacity-building training for EWLA Members and Community Volunteers to promote trust-building and opportunities for women’s engagement in peace-building processes at Bahir Dar, Adama and Addis Ababa. A total of 61 participants of which 51 female and 17 Males have been part of this training in the three different sessions. Trainees have come from different parts of the country from the regions of Amhara, Oromia, Afar, southern nations, Sidama, Gambela, Benshangul and Somalia regions. and 2 administrative cities of Addis Ababa and Diredawa.
- In addition to what has been done above with the support of *NDI* , EWLA has been able to organize two rounds of two days each training for a total of 50 participants of which 39 being female and the rest 11 are male participants from different pertinent organizations with an aim to build the capacity of the participants on the issues of women’s political participation and governance process to the achievement of equality, sustainable development, impartiality guidance, how to empower women to participate in the national and regional dialogues, peace and democracy and the inclusion of their perspectives and experiences into the decision-making processes in the national dialogue. The sessions were conducted at Addis Ababa and Adama.

### **2.9.2. Coalition with national dialogs community to ensure the inclusion of women's voices in national dialog commission**

Consultation forum have been conducted with support of OTI with due emphasis on the need to create a unified voice and the need to engage in unified activities toward women's meaningful representation in the Ethiopian national dialogue. As a result, the forum has been concluded with the formation of CSOs’ Coalition for Women’s Voice in the National Dialogue Forum comprising more than 40 rights-based CSOs. The Coalition aims to work toward women’s meaningful representation and influence in the forthcoming Ethiopian National Dialogue process and to ensure that the process responds to and addresses the needs, perspectives, priorities, and aspirations of Ethiopian women.

### **2.9.3. Inter Cluster Coordination Group (ICCG) meeting**

A regular ICCG meeting with action points and clusters updates took place in Afar in collaboration with UNWOMEN. OCHA gave an overview of the humanitarian situation in AFAR, in term of population figure, humanitarian needs and responses and a quick review cluster by cluster. Unfortunately, OCHA omitted to give an overview of Protection Cluster gaps and updates which provoked a strong remark from the mission on how protection is persistently left behind, defending its centrality. OCHA apologized for the omission and invited UNHCR/Protection Cluster lead to present key gaps and challenges.

#### 2.9.4. Altitudinal Skills, Stress and Burn out management, Vocational trainings and others

- Within the project *of Engender Health*, stress and burnout training was organized as part of EWLA's capacity-building activity for 25 (Female) participants, who came from various shelters on July 28th and 29th, 2022 Addis Abeba. The training's main goals were to strengthen their capacity to handle stress and burnout, to raise knowledge of gender-based violence, and to increase their capacity to give excellent service.
- Under the funding of *the Packard foundation*, Attitudinal skills training to enhance communication skills, negotiating skills and assertiveness and self-confidence training was delivered for different domestic workers with an aim to improve working skills, including work The training was delivered consisting of 5 different topics which were Emotional intelligence, financial management, goal setting & professionalism & work discipline. There were 70 very active trained during the reporting period.
- It is known that EWLA is working with OPRIFS under a subgrant arrangement from the funding of *the Packard Foundation* to provide Vocational Training for female domestic workers during the reporting year. Accordingly, OPRIFS have been able to register a total of 72 (with in two quarterly reporting periods) trainee domestic workers and made them start training. Among the enrolled students, 35 are from Kolfe Sub city woreda 7 and the remaining 36 are recruited from Addis ketema Sub-City woreda 9. Thus, the 72 Trainees are taking different vocational pieces of training during the reporting period.
- **Contacting sub -grants for domestic workers project intervention**  
After assessing the available organizations which could be potentially suitable to work with EWLA on the issues of female domestic workers in Ethiopia, EWLA have under gone the evaluation of Technical and financial proposals. Accordingly, EWLA have selected OPRIFS under the Sub- Grant arrangement and also signed an agreement to work with CoSAP to work with the for the best implementation of the Project.

#### 2.9.5. Staff Capacity Building activities

- With the funding from NDI, EWLA has organized capacity building training on VAW-P mitigation and on its response training for 41 EWLA volunteer members and regional focal persons from all the 6 regions which includes Amhara, Oromia, Hawassa, Benshangul, Gambela, Somalia and 2 administrative cities Addis Ababa and Diredawa at sululta, Yaya resort. A total of 41 participants of which 29 participants were female and 12 participants male. The aim of the training is to build the capacity of EWLA Volunteers, regional coordinators, and EWLA staff members on the issues of conflict mitigation

and response mechanisms and to participate in the national and regional dialogues, peace and democracy and the inclusion of their perspectives and experiences in the decision-making processes in the national dialogue.

- Under the project engagement of **OTI**, Para-legal training for EWLAS' voluntary committee members who provide legal aid service have been delivered successfully. The first and second rounds of par-legal training have been provided to 106 volunteer committee (91 female and 15 male) members as part of the project activity from October 31-November 4,2022 and November 7-11,2022, respectively. The training have been prepared and developed with the intention of increasing the knowledge of EWLA volunteers who provide paralegal support to local citizens at the grassroots level with knowledge about paralegal services as well as to improve their fundamental legal knowledge and mediation skills.

### **2.10. She Leads Volunteer Committee Meeting**

The She Leads volunteer committees has recruited from government/ law enforcement organs and community structures. They provide free legal and other volunteer services to the community specially in addressing the negative social norms confronting GYW. Previously they have been provided training on the role of volunteer committees, free legal services, and their responsibilities to carry out legal services in the She Leads project districts. Some of them also trained in CC Facilitation and facilitate CC sessions. Objective of the meeting was to enhance the capacity of the volunteers to handle para- legal services to the expected level of assisting clients through sharing experiences among each other, discuss on lessons and challenge faced in usage of different formats, follow- up of cases until the clients linked to the justice system and they got justice, documentation and reporting of the services given in the free- legal aid services.

### **2.11. EWLA staff institutional capacity building**

Capacity development training have been conducted at Bishoftu for two days for EWLA program and Legal aid staff. On the training EWLA advocacy strategy document reviewed and presented by consultant and provided their suggestion what to include on the document. There were 25 participants on the capacity development program four male and twenty-one female.

### **2.12. Para Legal training (May 3-7, 2022, RI & May 3-7, 2022 RII)**

Para legal training have been conducted by she lead project for newly recruited para legals with the main objective of to encourage and enhance EWLA new committee capacity in providing Legal services to empowerment of Girls and Young Women to participate in addressing negative social norms and protecting the rights of women.

### **2.13. TV and Radio Advertisements**

EWLA conducted Radio spot on invitation to 2022 GA. FANA FM 98.1 and Ethio FM 107.8 Radios transmitted the invitation. Similarly, a 60 second TV spot was produced and broadcasted for 5 days in collaboration with Fana Television on 2022 GA.

### **2.14. Publications and Visibility materials**

Office rooms signing note for each room, table notification with staff's job title and mini billboard for the main gate of the new office were published and posted on the reporting period.

#### ***Booklet***

250 copies of booklets with a content on 2021 Annual report and 150 folders contained EWLA profile were published and distributed for members during GA.

#### ***Cover page of published booklet and folder for 2022 GA meeting Magazine***

250 copies of Magazines were published on the final report of EWLA-VAW-E observation findings in the 2021 national elections.

#### ***Social media activities***

This time our Face book has more than 20,000 followers; more than 18,000 people liked the page. Thus, we provided EWLA's activities, updates and information with pictures, texts/articles and graphic contents for the FB families. We also expressed our condolence and concerns on Seble's and Tsgereda's tragically murdered cases.

Different trainings were conducted under different projects thus PR team has captured and shared more than 32 news, pictures, radio programs, videos and updates with EWLA's Twitter, Telegram and YouTube channels and documented them for further use. Some of the shared and documented works are as follows:

### **2.15. Internal and External Communication**

During this first quarter of 2022, more than 100 internal and external, virtual and in person meetings and discussion sessions were organized with staff, board members, GA members, researchers, partners and stakeholders.

PR team has received many invitations from Human Rights Organizations, stakeholders, CSOs, Government offices, media houses and others on the reporting period. Accordingly, EWLA staff members have attended meetings, workshops, panels and trainings as a participant and a resource person

EWLA representatives attended many different interviews and media panels on legal issues offered by other organizations.

### **3. Research and Advocacy (Program Description and Components)**

During the project engagement period, EWLA has been engaged in major research and advocacy works. The assessments were being used as major advocacy works throughout the engage in the reporting period.

#### **3.1. Research and Assessments undertaken during the reporting period**

##### **➤ *Assessing the working and Living conditions and vulnerability of Female domestic workers in Addis Ababa***

Through the funding from *the Packard foundation*, EWLA was able to conduct a study on the working and living condition of domestic workers and validation workshop on the assessment. The validation workshop included a total of 25 different decision-makers and stakeholders, and the findings were disseminated so that they may support future Advocacy efforts. The goal is to urge decision-makers and other stakeholders to work on the necessary reforms to promote the rights and protection of female domestic workers in Ethiopia. In this year group discussions on the protection of domestic servitude to improve their working conditions were carried out. Participants were composed of only domestic workers to create a bond and network among themselves.

##### **➤ *Assessment on the impact on COVID-19 and conflict on women's safety, mobility and ability to participate in politics, governance and electoral processes.***

EWLA from the support of *NDI* has Conducted an assessment on the impact on COVID-19 and conflict on women's safety, mobility and ability to participate in politics, governance and electoral processes. It is known that EWLA with the support of the NDI team have been working on conducting an assessment of the impact on COVID-19 and conflict on women's safety, mobility and ability to participate in politics, governance and electoral processes in Ethiopia. During the research period the consultants in collaboration with the EWLA team had worked intensively to provide a short brief on the findings to inform our capacity building training for EWLA pertinent stakeholders to promote trust building and opportunities for women engagement in peacebuilding processes and political processes. In addition to this a final draft have been delivered during the reporting period.

##### **➤ *Conduct Assessment on the Community Conversation decisions made on HTPs / GBV***

*Under the She Leads project*; it is known that community Conversation has been included as a key intervention for implementation of project activities. Continuous Community Conversation (CC) and

Family Dialogue have been conducted to address norms, values and practices that negatively affect women and girls focusing on GBV and HTPs. This helped in enhancing the knowledge and attitudes of the community and bring the intended social and behavioral change at project districts as well as the surrounding community. The objective of the assessment was to get a clear picture of the Community Conversation process which took place during the project intervention, how the facilitators maintain the right way of facilitation and to see the changes observed in the She Leads intervened kebeles through the Community Conversation implementation on HTP and GBV and compared that with non-intervened kebeles in Yelmana Densa woreda. Expected Outcomes of the assessment and the dissemination workshop helped to measure the changes obtained through the implementation of Community Conversations decisions on HTP and GBV by the community in the She Leads intervened kebeles.

➤ ***Reviewing and updating the existing response protocol***

In addition to what have been stated above, during reporting period, with the support from *NDI* EWLA has been working to review and update the existing response protocols by hiring a professional consultant. The response protocol is expected to provide needed information for the referral system in order to facilitate the referral pathway of reported cases with specific contacts/ focal points for those services outside of EWLA. During this year EWLA has been able to accomplish half of the process under this activity. Thus, EWLA was able to hire consultant to update the existing referral protocol and deliver capacity building training for the team working on the Hotline.

➤ **Preparing advocacy strategy have been derived from the main advocacy strategy of EWLA specifically for this project.**

Based on the project objectives outlined; Promote post-election advocacy campaigns towards electoral reforms using VAW-E observation findings and recommendations and Increase awareness of VAW-P in Ethiopia and establish gender mainstreaming mechanisms to monitor VAW-P are identified as areas that need advocacy strategies and implementation tactics. For achieving this specific objective of the strategic plan, the suggested advocacy strategy is Legislative advocacy. Legislative advocacy is a strategy that involves empowering and mobilizing different stakeholders to put pressure on the decision-maker for change or reform on law and policy reform.

➤ **Developed CBCM procedures on CBCM and rapid assessment**

EWLA with the financial support of UNWOMEN developed community compliance mechanism and assessment on customary and judicial mechanisms of handling GBV cases in the targeted areas (Afar and Somalia). In addition to this rapid assessment also conducted on CBCM engagement in both regions.

➤ **Research on women access and control over resource in Adama and diredaw and Gambela**

Three research on access and control have been prepared to map the current legal and policy framework that impacts women's personal agency, including property rights, inheritance rights, rights over children, rights around divorce, age of consent laws, and other family law related legislation.

➤ **Lobbying/consultative meeting with Parliament, on findings of discriminatory laws and Customary Practices.**

In order to strive for the attainment of Ethiopian women's rights in areas where there is gender discrimination or gender gap, EWLA undertaken researches on Gender Discriminatory Laws and customary practice undertaken, at Gambella regional states, which are used as a basis for advocacy, legal reform and related initiatives with financial support of Fith project.

### **3.2. Advocacy works and related Activities**

➤ **Power of Art in Addressing Women's Rights and Stereotypes**

The "We Cannot Wait: Towards an Inclusive and Diverse Women's Movement in the Greater Horn of Africa (WCW)" consortium seeks to remedy these gaps by building a strong and inclusive women's movement able to effect change, focusing its work in Uganda, Sudan, South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia.

The WCW project is critical for EWLA to regain its influence and voice at the national, regional and international levels and to invest more in its connection with lawyers, Women's organization/ association, youth, relevant stakeholder's networks across the country. The project conducted a forum on the Power of Art in Addressing Women's Rights and Stereotypes

Main agendas of the meeting were works done by EWLA with special emphasis to involvement in art activities, the power of art in addressing women's rights and stereotypes, moderated discussion of various issues, and ways forward in addressing women's rights through works of art.

### **3.3. Regional TOT**

Learning, re-learning, reflections and several activities to ground themselves in the project's feminist and participatory capacity building methodology approach related to advocacy strategy and leadership have been conducted in this year with we cannot wait project. There were forty participant 37 female and 3 females.

### **3.4. Advocacy workshop on women's access to justice**

The right to access to justice is one of core human rights that are fundamental to ensure full protection of human rights. Under her voice project supported by plan international EWLA also conduct an Advocacy workshop focused on the components of the right to access to justice in Direedawa, on the major challenges that impact women to access justice, ways to increase women participation to access justice, and the role of key stakeholders in advocating the issues were the major points on the advocacy workshop, there were 14 Male and 16 Female participants on advocacy training.

### **3.5. Capacity building training for EWLA staffs on Advocacy strategies.**

This particular activity has been implemented with intention to reactivate EWLA's position and capacity to exert positive influence in order to conduct more effective advocacy works. The training was provided to key EWLA project staffs, regional coordinators and head office department heads. Male 4 Female 16 Total 20

### **3.6. Advocacy workshops on women policy and legal gaps along with the implementation and challenges**

Round table advocacy workshops conducted in March 16 ,2022 with finical support of Engender health at Inter Luxury hotel, Addis Abeba. The core point of the advocacy workshop ware Policy and legal gaps and implementation challenges on the existed laws concerning on Sexual, reproductive health rights and gender-based violence. A total of 22, (6 male&16 female), participants invited from police, Justice, attorney, House of peoples Representative, OPRIFC (young girl's safe house) young girls Christian Association, attended at the workshop.

### **3.7. Advocacy workshop policy and legal gaps along challenges on the implementation of Sexual and reproductive health rights and GBV with support of Engender Health**

The advocacy session has been conducted in May 31, 2022. The main issues of the advocacy workshop were focused on Policy and legal gaps along with challenges related to implementation on Sexual, reproductive health rights and gender-based violence. There were 17 Participants invited from different CSOs, A.A police, federal police, public prosecutors, and one-stop center staffs in Addis Abeba attended at the session.

### **3.8. Advocacy Workshop on GBV/HTPs Prevention**

Advocacy Workshop on GBV/HTPs Prevention have been conducted with financial support of THD for Influential People and stakeholders who have the capacity to influence the community and regional law makers in societal issues. The main objective of the Advocacy Workshop was to empower the stakeholders, (sector offices and community members including school communities) and enable them meaningful participation and support to the prevention of Gender Based Violence and Harmful Traditional Practices in the woreda.

Participants of the Advocacy Workshop includes: Idir Leaders, Elders (Influential persons), Religious Leaders, School club leaders (GYW), Women Association Leaders, Women and Social Affairs Leaders, EWLA Staffs, and Volunteer committee members.

### **3.9.A sensitization workshop of project advocacy strategy workshop for EWLA's project staff at HQ and RFPs have been made at bishoftu**

EWLA advocacy strategy have been strategy has been presented and document have been shared for regional coordinators and programs staffs to come up with comments. The validation workshop organized in Bishoftu for further inputs and suggestion.

### **3.10. Research validation workshop on women access and control over resource in Adama and diredaw and Gambela**

Validation workshop have been on the research map the current legal and policy framework that impacts women's personal agency, including property rights, inheritance rights, rights over children, rights around divorce, age of consent laws, and other family law related legislation.

### **3.11. Press Release**

On the death of Somalia parliamentary women, PR team had prepared press statement for the executive directress to be stated on behalf of EWLA and sent to SIHA organizers to express condolence and condemn the murder of Amina Mohamed.

### **3.12. Development of Different advocacy Strategies**

A strategy is needed for the accomplishment of the activities towards promoting the right of women in general. For this EWLA has developed an organization advocacy strategy under the project of *SIHA and the Packard foundation*. With this aim at hand, the advocacy strategy document determines the strategies

that best suited to effectively influence the decision-making organs in the promotion of women rights at large.

### **3.13. Project based Advocacy guideline and plans to inform the advocacy works**

EWLA has been working on its advocacy plan to undertake different activities under the project being implemented. To this end within this year EWLA has been using advocacy plan as one of its potential documents to support its advocacy works in general. The development advocacy plans produced goes along with advocacy materials, such as publicity materials, including guides, policy briefs, leaflets that will contribute to awareness campaigns and provide helpful information and argumentation to promote women's right in general.

#### **Advocacy related activities, community conversations, Consultative Workshops and policy Dialogues, collaboration established**

##### **Consultative workshop on Promotion and adoption of a comprehensive prevention and response of anti GBV draft policy**

EWLA with the funding from *UN-Women* and in collaboration with Ministry of Women and social affairs conducted Consultative workshop or policy dialog, with higher government officials, CSOs representatives, community representatives and private sector representatives, on national anti GBV draft policy conducted. The main purpose of the consultative workshops was to gather input from participants on the draft national policy document to prevent and respond to gender-based violence, and creating awareness around the drafted policy The workshops were taking place in July 21& 22, August 4 &5, 12&13, and September 5-6,2022 in Aaddis Ababa, Adama and Bishoft. A total of 144 (61 Male and 83 Female) participants invited from the mentioned organizations in the national and regional level were present.

##### ***A capacity building consultative workshop on the advancement and implementation of draft family law in Afar region***

Through the funding of the *UN-WOMEN* a workshop was held from September 22-23,2022 in Afar region, Semera town. At the workshop a total of 38 (22 male and 16 Female) participants invited from the regional justice Bureau, police commission, state council, Women, children and youth Bureau, religious leaders and clan leaders were presented. The workshop designed to extract laws that are open for discussion and to familiarized the laws to relevant stakeholders in the region.

### ***A capacity building consultative workshop on the advancement and implementation of drat family law in Somali region for two rounds***

On the same funding form **UN-WOMEN** The workshop held from September 22-23,2022 and September 30-October 1,2022 in Somali region, Jigjiga. At the workshop a total of 75 (- male and - Female) participants invited from the regional justice Bureau, sharia court, supreme court, police commission, state council, Women, children and youth Bureau, religious leaders and clan leaders and from the other sectors were presented. The workshop designed to extract laws that are open for discussion and to familiarized the laws to relevant stakeholders in the region

### **Conduct training for CBCM focal points and community members on the functionality and process of SEA and GBV referral, stakeholders' identification and engagement and case reporting**

**UN-WOMEN** had supported EWLA to provide a report on lessons learned and needs/gaps with focus on contextualized needs according to national, regional and international legal instruments and humanitarian principles and contribute to strengthening prevention and responses mechanisms for SEA and GBV and capacitated community members and involved in the establishment of Community-Based Complaint Mechanism (CBCM) that is culturally and gender-sensitive to be able to support known and potential SEA survivors, facilitate SEA reporting and referrals project in Afar and Amhara regions based on the CBCM guideline developed.

### **3.14. Community Conversation and Family Dialogue**

The **SHE LEADS Project**, Empowering Girls and Young Women to participate in Addressing Negative Social Norms included Community Conversations (CC) as one key intervention. Continuous community conversation (CC) and family dialogue shall be conducted to address norms, values and practices that negatively affect women and girls focusing on GBV and HTPs. To enhance knowledge and attitudes of the community and bring the intended social and behavioral change at project site level and others, we are being implemented Community Conversations jointly with key project stakeholders.

Hence, Community Conversation has been sustained in the She Leads Project intervened districts. Community Conversation is being facilitated by 98 CCFs of whom 60 (61.2%) of them Males and the rest 38 (38.8%) are Females.

In a total of 13 community Conversation sites at schools and a total of 6 community Conversation sites at kebeles different numbers of participants have been participating on the community conversations. The team which is comprised of 22 community facilitators at the kebele level and 76 at the school level with a total of 98 community facilitators. During the reporting was able to conduct a total of 430 of which 215 of

female and the rest 215 male have been participating in the community conversation made at the schools, 475 male and 480 female a total of 955 have been participating in the session. Thus, A total of 1385 people of which 690 male and 695 Female have taken part on the different community conversations.

### **Annual Review Meeting**

EWLA has been implementing the “**She Leads project entitled “Empowering Girls and Young Women to participate in Addressing Negative Social Norms”** in West Gojjam Zone, Yilmana Densa woreda with the financial support of Terre Des Hommes. The 2002 She Leads Annual Review Meeting have been conducted on December 24, 2022 in Adet town, Hibest Hotel, with project stakeholders’ beneficiaries. In this meeting 46 participants (Male= 21 and Female=46) attended the meeting.

### **Sustain and Scale up Community Conversation and Family Dialogue**

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### **Consultative workshop Under the Engender Health Project**

A consultative workshop was held between the legal sector, including judges, police, and public prosecutors, as well as health professionals to increase coordination, as well as to introduce and familiarize participants with the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) adopted by the Ministries of Justice and Health. A total of 18 participants were recruited from the legal sector, including judges, police, and public prosecutors, as well as health professionals (4 male and 14 female). A legal expert who assisted in the development of the one-stop shop moderated the debate. The consultant started the session by setting the scene and delivering the key point from the SOP.

### **Round table discussion on the VAW-E Observation Recommendation**

Under the *NDI project implementation*, Round table discussion has been implemented in the 7 different regions states with various pertinent stakeholders, 20 stakeholders at the regional level which included representatives of regional councils, NEBE, CSO representatives and law enforcement bodies (police, prosecutors and judges) to discuss reform recommendations, including inputs to draft legislative and policy frameworks for prevention of VAW-E and promoting gender equality. The discussions were based

on EWLA's Violence against women on election observation findings and recommendations of the 2021 Ethiopian election. The purpose of these round table discussions was to improve the relevant state and public agency responsiveness towards VAW-P and to inform different stakeholders on the need of legal, policy, and institutional reforms in the electoral system and future elections in order to have a more inclusive, participatory and democratic political process.

### ***Interface meetings, Consultative workshops and validation workshops under the ESAP project***

#### ***Implementation***

- ✓ Organize an interface meeting among representatives from community structures, vulnerable groups, woreda sectors, administration and council. Interface meeting is a meeting held between the service provider and service user. In this year, EWLA also conducted an interface meeting in Nifas Silk Lafto woreda 08, the purpose of the meeting was to discuss on the issues raised by the community members and to reach an agreement on the issues, the committee prioritized the issue raised and finally reached consensus and to develop Joint Action Plan/JAP. There were 24 participants on the meeting out of 12 Male 12 females.
- ✓ **Woreda Social Accountability Committee/ WSAC finalizes and signs the JAP following the interface meeting.** In two (2) woreda social accountability implementing woredas we finalized and signed JAP with the woreda Administration, Currently the woreda Social accountability committees are on process and follow up of the joint action plan.
- ✓ **Organize one-day consultation on CRC survey at Woreda level with key stakeholders.** EWLA was Conducted a Consultation Meetings in two project targeted woredas with key stakeholders: with local sector office, community leaders, women representatives, FTAs and Social accountability committees with the objectives to reach consensus on the scope and methodology of the Citizen Report Card/CRC survey and the roles of each stakeholder in advance for collaborative effort in the process of CRC survey that going to conduct. There was 29 participants, Male 10 and 9 Female.
- ✓ **Conduct project start-up discussions with key woreda stakeholders about the SA project and roles of stakeholders.** In all project implementation woredas EW LA have conducted a project start up discussion about the overall concept of ESAP program, especially woreda engagement activities. The participants driven from sector office sub city council members and education office are the major ones.
- ✓ **Conduct a Validation Workshop in two Woredas.** Consultation meeting and validation workshop have been made with key woreda stakeholders to validate CRC findings in two project intervention Woreda (W.11 & 08) Nifasilk Lafto Sub City Addis Ababa. The main objective of the validation

workshop is to present the CRC finding and to obtain feedback, opinions and impressions at woreda level in consultation with representatives of community structures, and agree on priorities from demand side, prior to engaging woreda administration, council and sector offices. There were 48 participants attended the workshop from which 25 male 23 were female.

### ***Using Hotline center and New mobile legal aid Centers***

To promote women inclusion, barriers that limit their participation will have to be addressed. To increase awareness on VAW-P and mainstream gender in national and public discourse, EWLA has been utilizing its hotline center to solicit public information on violence against women in politics and public life in general. Within this reporting period EWLA have been advertising the Hotline center works to the public through a social media campaign to make the helpline known and to encourage victims to seek help as well as sustain awareness.

### **Establishment of Legal Aid center in IDP Camps (Semera and Kobo) and provision of free legal aid service (Counselling, referral linkage, court representation and related services)**

Under the *UN-Women* Project engaged EWLA have been able to Establish Legal Aid center in IDP Camps (Semera and Kobo) and provide free legal aid service (Counselling, referral linkage, court representation and related services Mobile legal aid centers have established and free legal aid services, counselling, referral linkage and others are provided to survivors in the camps and outside in both Amhara and Afar regions. In addition to this, 205 case have been collected during this period (175 cases from Woldia and 30 from Afar region)

### **Collaborations and other material supports**

#### ***✓ Provision of dignity kit and PPE for GBV survivors and at risk women and girls***

During the reporting period Under the project of *the UN-WOMEN*, EWLA have been able to distribute dignity kits for survivors in both regions. In addition to the survivors the kits had been distributed in collaboration with partner organizations.

#### ***✓ Supportive Collaboration to solve the issues of Female Domestic Workers***

In order to Support the work which is started under *the Packard foundation project*, it is great to undertake work with other strategies and engaging in different Task Forces and Working Groups. EWLA in order to be successful with its engagement in promoting the Right and Protection of Female Domestic Workers in Ethiopia has been working with different governmental and non-governmental different stakeholders on the issue at hand. The issue of female domestic workers is a work which needs different kinds of strategies and partnerships to form the government and non-Governmental sectors in Ethiopia. Thus, EWLA Working together to bring a legislative reform for the incorporation

of Domestic workers in Ethiopia, with an aim to improve the living and working conditions of domestic workers. Thus, EWLA has been engaging in a task force for the development of on Developing an advanced Contract between the Domestic worker and the Employer. The contract has been made to include different rights of the domestic workers, their duties, living conditions, and contract termination issues. Different agencies and employers are using it to improve the living and working conditions of domestic workers not only in Addis Ababa but also all over the country.

### **Advocacy Engagements made using the Media**

Education is perhaps the most important work for the realization of legal reform for the protection of female domestic workers' rights in Ethiopia and to bring a change in their living and working conditions. During the reporting period, EWLA has undertaken the Following Major public awareness activities.

#### **Media advocacy: Production and transmission of radio programs on the issue of domestic violence and Domestic Workers**

With the funding, from *the Packard foundation* EWLA has been using the Media with the aim to create and increase awareness and knowledge on the issues of Female domestic workers in Ethiopia. The findings of the assessment and other interviews have been used as a source for 12 radio broadcasts on Fana FM 98.1. During the reporting period, Additional 3 broadcasts have been Transmitted. This Broadcastings has sensitized the general population and potential employers on domestic workers' rights and on existing legislation in a given country. Different issues in relation to domestic violence have been discussed in radio productions. Different information is being shared on the telegram working group has also been created to disseminate the issues in relation to female domestic workers and the project engagement.

#### **Conduct 16 Days of Activism**

To prevent Violence Against Women and respect women's and girl's rights, EWLA with the *She Leads project* has conducted the 16 Days of Activism with its stakeholders and survivors in the communities in the project districts (Adet town, Goshye and Debre Mewi kebeles of Yelmana Densa woreda).

#### **Promotional Campaign: The 16 Days of Activism against Gender -**

In these Activism Days, *She Leads Project* conducted mass awareness creation and promotions in Market places, Streets and Schools. In the schools, Question and Answer competitions took place on issues focused on GBV/HTPs, so that winner students were awarded with books and t-shirts.. Different messages about the 16 Days of Activism and prevention of GBV also disseminated to the communities using printed and audio medias. Team of the 2022 16 Days of Activism and related messages promoted loudly in to different parts of the community in Adet town, Gosheye and Debre Mewi kebeles. National Level Theme

of the year 2022, 16 Days of Activism was “I RESPECT WOMEN AND PROTECT THEM FROM VIOLENCE”.

#### **4. Media and Public relation work for advocacy**

The public relation department have been Undergoing different activities under the different projects. Most of the activities were implemented with the financial support secured from EWLA’s partners under the projects.

##### **4.1. Publication of different publication materials for advocacy**

More than 1000 copies of different publication materials (such as; booklets, legal aid client cards, business cards) different visibility and materials (Including banners and roll ups have been displayed and transmitted messages on different trainings/events).

##### **✓ *The use of broadcast media for advocacy works***

EWLA produced and broadcasted more more than 12 episodes of BERCHI radio program through Fana FM 98.1 and EBC FM 97.1 to create awareness on SGBV, VAW-E/VAW-P. Besides 3 TV advertisements were produced and broadcasted in Amharic, Afan Oromo and Tigrigna languages to promote EWLA’s Call Toll Free hotline service, 7711.

##### **✓ *Press statement Made***

Moreover, 1 Press statement on the appointment of 7 Federal Lawyers Association board members being only men and 1 message of condolence was sent to one girl recently killed by her step farther Was transmitted.

Regarding communications, many written, virtual and in person meetings or/and discussion sessions were conducted with staff, board members, researchers, partners and stakeholders. Similarly, different invitations were received, sent and participated with different stakeholders.

#### **Detail on the Key Achievements/Results:**

##### **4.2. Broadcast media activities**

**Berchi Radio program:** more than 18 episodes of Radio programs have been produced and broadcasted under the financial support secured from UN WOMEN, NDI and Packard foundation Ethiopia. Therefore, Berchi radio program was on air since July 1, 2022. The program is a 30 minutes radio magazine, transmitted every Wednesday from 03:30 PM to 10:00 PM through **Fana FM 98.1**. Similarly, there was

another program aired by EBC FM 97.1 evening. The main topics/ issues of transmitted programs were focused on Violence Against Women (VAW-E/VAW-P), Sexual Gender Based Violence on IDP, Gender Based Violence (GBV), Women Rights, Sexual Reproductive Health Rights in IDP, Female domestic workers' right. Violence Against Women and Children on the Conflict Situations, Domestic Workers Rights, Early marriage/the Challenge and the possible remedies/, Rape, Forced marriage and Ethiopian Law, Gender Stereotype and its impact on school girls, Barriers of girls' education and Challenges of social norms on women's rights etc...

PR has received positive comments from Fana broadcasting corporate and EBC FM program directors to keep up with similar content and format. It also received constructive calls and text messages from listeners.

*Thumbnail for radio production*

### **4.3. TV and Radio Advertisements**

EWLA conducted a 60 second **TV spot** and broadcasted for 36 times in collaboration with Fana Television and EBC languages TV on hotline Call Toll Free service.

#### **4.4. TV Panel**

**Under she leads project, TV panel was conducted on HTP and GBV on Amhara TV. Similarly, another TV panel was conducted by EBC news channel on VAW-E/VAW-P under NdI project.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vtY1G2YRdJc>

<https://www.facebook.com/Ethiopian-Women-Lawyers-Association-173223872751613/videos/651684786554231>

### **4.5. Publications and Visibility materials**

**New year wish card, Client cards for legal aid**

New year wish, client cards were published and distributed during the reporting period.

#### **Booklet**

1337 copies of booklets HTP and GBV were published and distributed for participants during trainings.

#### **Social media activities**

This time our Face book has more than **31, 000 followers**; more than **34,000 people liked** the page. Thus, we provided EWLA's activities, updates and information with pictures, texts/articles and graphic contents

for the FB families. We also expressed our condolence and concerns on Adonay tragically murdered cases.

Different trainings were conducted under different projects thus PR team has captured and shared more than 1000 news, pictures, radio programs, videos and updates with EWLA's Twitter, Telegram and YouTube channels and documented them for further use. Some of the shared and documented works are as follows:

#### **4.6. Event**

**Events like observation of Kenyan 2022 election, participation of 2022 CSO week exhibition, Kefta exhibition, 2022 women marching for peace were being participated and reported on our social media.**

#### **4.7. Press Release**

On the appointment of the appointment of the 7 male board members of the Federal Lawyers Association, petition was circulated for signature via our social media and about 500 people have signed.

#### **4.8. Internal and External Communication**

During this third quarter of 2022, More than 100 internal and external, virtual and in person meetings and discussion sessions were organized with staff, board members, researchers, partners and stakeholders.

PR team has received many invitations from Human Rights Organizations, stakeholders, CSOs, Government offices, media houses and others on the reporting period. Accordingly, EWLA staff members have attended meetings, workshops, panels and trainings as a participant and a resource person. That is to say EWLA representatives have attended many different interviews and media panels on legal issues offered by other organizations.

#### **4.9. TV Panel**

Under NDI project, TV panel was produced and transmitted through EBC news channel on VAW-E/VAW-P. For this reason, different community members have been addressed and got awareness on Women political participation and decision-making.

#### **4.10. Publications and Visibility materials**

**Brochures:** During the reporting period, more than 2000 brochures, which give information about GBV, HTP, 16 days activism and EWLA profile, were published in Amharic and English and distributed among different stakeholders.

**Stickers:** During the reporting period, about 100 stickers, which give information about GBV, HTP, 16 days activism and EWLA free legal service (7711), were published in Amharic and English and distributed among different stakeholders.

**Flier:**

**T-Shirt: About** 300 T-shirts, which give information about GBV, HTP, 16 days activism and Memorial Day of the 2022 deceased sisters, were published and distributed among different stakeholders.

**Certificate:** 53 certificates were printed and distributed for the 16 days event award and sent to the FDRE Ministry of Women and Social affairs office. Besides, another certificate was printed and handed over for EWLA annual Art award.

**Events:** Events like annual gender forum, 16 days Activism against VAW and participation of an Exhibition organized by CARD, were being conducted and reported on our social media.

**Folder: 100 folder**

**Award: 4**

#### 4.11. Social media activities

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Different trainings were conducted under different projects thus PR team has captured and shared more than 1000 news, pictures, radio programs, videos and updates with EWLA's Twitter, Telegram and YouTube channels and documented them for further use. Besides, media monitoring has been conducted, accordingly, we have got much positive comments that strengthens our work and some negative comments to improve our works like: addressing the trainings in woreda level allover Ethiopia, some cases like the where about of the Danbidolo university kidnapped female students, etc.

**Press statement: 2**

Under the *We Cannot Wait project*, In this year's campaign on the 16 days of Activism Against the elimination of GBV, we were given chance to raise our questions to stakeholders and we are carrying out various activities together with various sections of the society and organizations. And on the memorial day of the 2022 deceased sisters due to VAW.

**Short videos-2-on the 16 days of activism by youth and on the memorial day of the 2022 deceased sisters due to VAW.**

## 5. Resource Mobilization

| No | Proposal /Concept note Title  | Submitted to                               | Status       |
|----|---|--|--------------|
| 1  | Proposal on :Enhanced safety, security and mental health of women and girls' and their human rights   | Women's Peace and humanitarian fund /WPHF/ | Under review |
| 2  | Proposal on: Strengthening government programs to end Gender Based Violence ( On anti-GBV Policy)   | Plan International                         | Accepted     |
| 3  | Proposal on: Promoting Access to Criminal Justice through Integrated Legal Aid Interventions in Ethiopia (PACE)   | EU   | Under review |
| 4  | Proposal on: Strengthen and support the national and regional women land rights   | Tetra Tech ARD (FFELGA)                    | Accepted     |
| 5  | Proposal on: Strengthen and support the national and regional women land rights task force  | Tetra Tech ARD (FFELGA)                    | Accepted     |
| 6  | Proposal on: Support government to end VAWG/HTP through adoption and promotion of a comprehensive anti GBV policy   | UN-Women                                   | Accepted     |
| 7  | Proposal on :“Promoting the role of women in conflict prevention, conflict resolution, peace building and post - conflict reconciliation processes”   | Federal Foreign Office funds (Germany)     | Under review |
| 8  | Proposal on: Strengthening political leadership of women aspirants in Ethiopia”   | UN-Women                                   | Rejected     |
| 9  | Proposal on : Strengthening the security of EWLA  | Civil Rights Defenders(CRD)                | Accepted     |
| 10 | Proposal on :Enhancing Government Capacity to end violence against women and girls through adoption and implementation of GBV prevention and response Policy and Provision of Free Legal Aid Services | UN-Women                                   | On Progress  |
| 11 | Concept note on :Enhancing the rule of law to develop   | McMillan Stewart                           | Pending      |

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|    | gender equality   | Foundation and MICA<br>Trustee |              |
| 12 | Concept note on: Addressing violence against women and girls in the context of protracted crises.   | UN Trust Fund to end<br>VAW    | Pending      |
| 13 | Concept note on: Promoting access to justice for survivors of GBV) in the drought affected areas of the target regions (Somali and SNNPR ) through enhanced multi-sectoral local actors and provision of free legal aid service | UNICEF                         | Pending      |
| 14 | Promoting the rights of women against discriminatory criminal justice system through collaboration approach with multi-sectoral actors  | Womankind Worldwide            | Under review |
| 15 | Concept note on :16 days of activism  | EWLA                           | Accepted     |
| 16 | Concept note on :Strengthening the legal aid service “ Children waiting area)   | EWLA                           | Under review |
| 17 | Concept note on Success Story development   | EWLA                           | Under review |
| 18 | Concept note on: Capacity Building Training For Head office, regional staffs and Volunteer Lawyers  | ILO                            | Pending      |

## 6. Major Achievement

### We have

- helped women access justice
- be aware of their rights
- created awareness of women rights among the public via electronics and print media

## 7. Major Challenges

- High staff turnover
- Conflict situation in our country especially in northern part inhibited us to implement our activities on time
- Price inflation

## 8. Actions Taken to Deal with Challenges

- Accomplish activities by giving additional activities to the programe officers
- Implement activities by team work (implementing activities simultaneously by different programe officers)
- Amend the budget by replanining accordingly

## 9. Success Stories

### Annex 1

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ወ/ሪት ሐለውያ ላለሞ የ26 ዓመት እድሜ ያላት ወጣት ናት በዝቅተኛ የኑሮ ደረጃ ከሚኖሩ ቤተሰቦች ጋር በዚህ ከተማ የምትኖር በእነሱ ላይ ጫና ላለመፍጠር እና እራሷንም ለመደገፍ ቁጩ ከማለት ጠንክሮ መስራት ይገባል ብላ አረዳ ክ/ከተማ አትክልት ተራ አካባቢ ኑሮን ለማሸነፍ ሻይና ቡና እሸጠች ደፋ ቀና ማለት ትጀምራለች።

ገቢው የሚያንደላቅቅ ህይወት የሚያኖር ባይሆንም ለእራሷ እና ለቤተሰቦቿ መደጎሚያ የሚሆን በመሆኑ መጠነኛ እጩይታን ሰጥቷታል። እንዲህ እያለች ትግሏን በቀጠለችበት ወቅትና ከዛሬ ነገ የተሻለ ይሆናል እያለች ተስፋ አድርጋ ሳለች ይህንን ተስፋዋን የሚያጨልም ሁኔታ ገጠማት። በነሐሴ 23 ቀን 2012 ዓ.ም ልዩ ስሙ ሰሚት ኮንዶሚኒየም አካባቢ የዕግረኛ መሻገሪያው ላይ የመጀመሪያውን አሰባልት ተሻግሮ ሁልትኛውን ብመሻገር ላይ ሳለች ያልጠበቀችው ሁኔታ ተፈጠረ የሰሌዳ ቁጥሩ አ.አ ኮድ 2-B46158 የሆነ ኮሮላ መኪና (ተሽከርካሪ) ገጭቶ ይጥላታል በአካባቢው የነበሩ ፖሊሶች ተረባርበው በአካባቢው በነበረው ሰሚት ጤና ጣቢያ ይወስዷታል። የደረሰባት አደጋ ከፍተኛ በመሆኑ ወደ ዳግማዊ ሚኒሊክ ሆስፒታል ድንገተኛ ክፍል በመተኛት ተጨማሪ ህክምና እርዳታ ተደርጎላታል።

አደጋ አድራሹም ለአልጋ ብር 30,000.00 /ሰላሳ ሺህ ብር/ እና ለመድኃኒት መግዣ ብር 30,000.00 /ሰላሳ ሺህ ብር/ በድምሩ ብር 60,000.00 /ስልሳ ሺህ ብር/ ከመክፈል ውጪ ምንም አይነት እገዛ አላደረገላትም። ይህንን ጊዜ ሀለውያ ወደ ኢትዮጵያ የህግ ባለሙያ ሴቶች ማህበር ሴቶች ማህበር /ኢ.ሕ.ባ.ሴ.ማ/ በመምጣት የምክር አገልግሎት ስትጠየቅ ማህበሩም ጉዳይን ተቀብሎ በማማከር እና አስፈላጊ የሆኑ ማስረጃዎችን እንዲሟሉ በማድረግ በፌዴራል መጀመሪያ ደረጃ አረዳ ምድብ ክስ ተዘጋጅቶ ክርክር ቀጥለን ፍ/ቤቱም የግራ ቀኙን ማስረጃ ከሰማ በኋላ በመኪናው ባለቤት ላይ ያለ ጥፋት እና ጉዳቱን በደረሰው ግለሰብ ላይ ባደረሰው ጥፋት የተመሳሳይ ኃላፊነት አለባቸው ሲል ለደረሰው ጉዳት ለህክምና የወጣ ወጪ ብር 55,015.00 /ሃምሳ አምስት ሺህ አስራ አምስት ብር/፣ ለማገገሚያ የወጣ ወጪ ብር 60,000.00 /ስልሳ ሺህ ብር/፣ ለትራንስፖርት ብር 15,000.00 /አስራ አምስት ሺህ ብር/ እንዲሁም የታጣ ገቢ ብር 163,500.00 /አንድ መቶ ስልሳ ሶስት ሺህ አምስት መቶ ብር/ በአጠቃላይ ብር 293,555.00 /ሁለት መቶ ዘጠና ሶስት ሺህ እምስት መቶ አምሳ አምስት ብር/ ውሳኔው ከተሰጠበት ቀን ጀምሮ ከሚታሰብ ወለድ ጋር እንደክፍሉ ሲወሰን በዚህ ክስ ምክንያት ለወጣ ወጪ የዳኝነትን ጨምሮ ብት 5,785.00 /አምስት ሺህ ሰባት መቶ ሰማንያ አምስት ብር/ እና ወደፊት ለደረሰባት ጉዳት ካሳ የጉዳቱ መጠን በሐኪም ሲራጋገጥ የማቅረብ መብቷን ተብቆ መዝገቡን ዘግቷል።

የኢትዮጵያ የህግ ባለሙያ ሴቶች ማህበር በዚህ አላባቢም የውሳኔውን ቅጂ ከፍ/ቤት በማስመጣት የአፈፃፀም ክስ አዘጋጅቶ በውሳኔው መሠረት እንዲፈፀም አድርጓል። በመቀጠልም ለደረሰባት የጉዳት ካሳ ለማስከፈል ለዳግማዊ ሚኒሊክ ሆስፒታል ደብዳቤ በመጻፍ የጉዳቱ መጠን ከሆስፒታሉ እንዲቀርብ ባደረገው መሠረት ሆስፒታሉ 55% የጉዳት መጠን የደረሰ መሆኑን ገልጾ በፃፈው ደብዳቤ መሠረት ተደርጎ ላደረሰው የጉዳት ካሳ ብር 2,089,800.00 /ሁለት ሚሊዮን ሰማንያ ዘጠኝ ሺህ ስምንት መቶ ብር/ በፍ/ቤት ክስ ተመስርቶ በክርክር ላይ ይገኛል። ውጤቱም ወደ ፊት የሚገለፅ ይሆናል።

ኢ.ሕ.ባ.ሴ.ማ በዚህ ሁሉ ክርክር ላይ ላይት ከማማከር ጀምሮ ክስ እስከ መመስረት እና የተወሰነው ውሳኔ እንዲፈፀም እና ፍትህ እንድታገኝ ከጎኗ በመቆም ውጤታማ የሆነ ስራ እየሰራ ይገኛል።

Annex 2

**በጾታዊ ጥቃት ጉዳይ ላይ የተሰጠና በማህበሩ ዋና ቢሮ ክትትል ሲደረግበት የቆየ ውሳኔ**

ዶ/ር አምሳለወረቅ ዳንኤል የተባለች ባለጉዳይ ወደ ማህበራችን በመጋቢት 14 ቀን 2014 ዓ.ም ቀርባ በመ/ቁ.0672/2014 ፋይል በመክፈት ጉዳይዋን በዝርዝር በመንገር ማህበሩ ክትትል እንዲያደርግላት ጠይቃለች።

ባለጉዳይዋ እንዳስረዳችን ከቤተሰቧ እና ከጓዳኛቷ ጋር በአንድ ጭፈራ ቤት በመዝናናት ላይ በነበረችበት ወቅት ወደ መፀዳጃ ቤት ሄዳ ተጠቅማ ልትወጣ ስትል ጥቃት አድራሹ በሩን ይዞ አላስወጣ እንዳላት በኋላም በሩን ከኋላው በመዝጋት መፀዳጃ ቤቱ መስኮት ላይ የዒም መላጫ /ሼቨር/ አንስቶ ፊቷ ላይ በማድረግ ብትጮሂ ፍትሽን ነው የማበላሸው እያለ እንዳስፈራራትና ሊደፍራት መመከሩን፤ ሆኖም ክብረ ንጽህናዋን እንዳታጣ በመስጋት እንደለመነችው ገልጸለች። እሱም ክብረ ንጽህናሽን ሳታጨ ፍላጎቱን ልፈጽም በሚል ምክንያት ለሞራልና ለሕሊና ተቃራኒ የሆነና ከተፈጥሮ ውጪ የሆነ ድርጊት እንደፈጸመባት ተናግራለች። ይህም ሳይበቃው በመጨረሻ ክብረ ንጽህናሽ ቢገፈፍ አያገባኝም በማለት የአስገድዶ መድፈር ሊፈጸምባት ሲል አብረዋት በመዝናናት ላይ ከነበሩት ቤተሰቦቿ ውስጥ ሁለቱ በመድረሳቸውና ጩኸቷን ሰምተው የመጸዳጃ ቤቱን በር በመደብደባቸው ጥቃት አድራሹ ድርጊቱን ከመፈጸሙ በፊት በሩን ከፍቶ ሲወጣ ሊይዙት ችለዋል።

በዚህም መሰረት ተከላሽ ድርጊቱን ከፈፀመበት ምሽት በመጋቢት 3 ቀን 2014 ዓ.ም ጀምሮ በማረፊያ ቤት ውስጥ በመሆኑና ባለጉዳይዋ ከተፈጸመባት ለሞራል ተቃራኒ የሆነ ድርጊት አንጻር ጉዳይዋን መከታተል የሚፈጥርባትን የስነ ልቦና ጫና በመግለጽ ፈጣንና ትክክለኛ ፍትሕ ማግኘት ትችል ዘንድ ድጋፍ እንዲደረግላት ማህበሩን ጠይቃለች።

ይህንንም ተከትሎ ማህበሩ ባለሞያ በመመደብ ከምርመራ ሂደቱ ጀምሮ ክስ እስከ ተመሰረተበት ጊዜ ድረስ ከፖሊስና ከአቃቤ ህግ ጋር በመነጋገርና ክትትል በማድረግ፤ የፍ/ቤት ቀጠሮዎችንም በመከታተል የፍርድን ሂደት ለግል ተበዳይ በማሳወቅ ትኩት ሰጥቶ ሲከታተለው ቆይቷል።

ይህ በእንዲህ እንዳለ ባለጉዳይ ለማህበሩ እንዳሳወቀው የውሳኔው ቀን ከመድረሱ በፊት የተከሰሽ ቤተሰቦች ለግል ተበዳይ ስልክ በመደወል ለተከሰሽ ይቅርታ የማታደርገለት ከሆነ ሰፈርሽን እናውቀዋለን ስለ ጉዳዩ ለቤተሰቦችሽ እናሳውቃቸዋለን እያሉ እየዛቱባት እንደሆነና እሷ ደግሞ ቤተሰቦቿ እንዲያውቁ እንደማትፈልግ በመግለጽ ምን ማድረግ እንዳለባት ከማህበሩ ምክር ጠይቃለች። በዚህም መሰረት እንዲህ አይነት ዛቻ እና መስፈራሪያ በወንጀል የሚያስቀጣ በመሆኑ ለፖሊስ እንድታሳውቅና ስታሳውቅም ምን ማስረጃዎችን ማቅረብ እንዳለበት ምክር ተሰጥቷል። ምንም እንኳን ጉዳዩን በማህበሩ ባለሞያዎች ምክር መሰረት ለፖሊስ ያሳወቀች ቢሆንም ቤተሰቦቿ እንዳይሰሙ ካላት ስጋት በመነሳት የእርቅ ስምምነቱን ልትፈርምለት ተገዳለች።

በሌላ በኩል ተከሰሽ በቀረበበት ክስ ጥፋተኛ ሊባል እንደማይገባና ድርጊቱን የፈጸመው የግል ተበዳይ ፈቃደኛ በመሆኗ እንጂ አስገድዶ እንዳልሆነ ጠቅሶ ተከራክሯል። ሆኖም ፍ/ቤቱ ግራ ቀኙን ካከራከረና ማስረጃዎችን ከመረመረ እንዲሁም የምስክሮችን ቃል ከሰማ በኋላ ተከሰሽ በተከሰሰበት የወንጀል ተግባር ጥፋተኛ ነው ሲል ወስኗል። በዚህም መሰረት ፍ/ቤቱ የቅጣት ማክበጃና ማቅለያ አስተያየቶችን ከተከራካሪ ወገኖች የሰማ ሲሆን ጥፋተኛው ካቀረባቸው የቅጣት ማቅለያዎች መካከል ከግል ተበዳይ ጋር እርቅ ማድረጉን እንደ አንድ የቅጣት ማቅለያ ያቀረበ ሲሆን ይህንንና ሌሎች የቀረቡትን የቅጣት ማቅለያዎች በተመለከተ ፍ/ቤቱ በጉዳዩ ላይ ዓ/ህግ አስተያየት እንዲሰጥበት የቀጠሮ ቀን ሰጥቷል።

ማህበሩም ጉዳዩን የያዙትን ዓ/ህግ በማግኘት የግል ተበዳይ የእርቅ ስምምነቱን የፈረመችው በደረሰባት ዛቻና ማስፈራሪያ እንጂ በፈቃድዋ እንዳልሆነና የእርቅ ስምምነቱም ህጉ የሚጠይቀውን መስፈርት የማያሟላ በመሆኑ ውድቅ ሊደረግ እንደሚገባ እንዲሁም ሌሎቹም የቀረቡት ቅጣት ማቅለያዎች ማስረጃ ያልቀረበባቸው መሆናቸውን በማስረዳት ዓ/ህግ ይህን መረጃ በመያዝ ክርክሩን እንድትቀጥል ተነጋግሯል።

በዚህም መሰረት ፍ/ቤቱ ጥፋተኛው ከዚህ ቀደም ጥፋተኛ ተብሎ አያውቅም ከሚለው የቅጣት ማቅለያ ውጪ የቀረቡትን 4 የቅጣት ማቅለያዎች ውድቅ በማድረግ የቅጣት ውሳኔ ሰጥቷል። ፍ/ቤቱ ጳጉሜ 2 ቀን 2014 ዓ/ም በሰጠው የቅጣት ውሳኔም ተከሰሽ ጥፋተኛ ለተባለበት ወንጀል በ4 ዓመት ከ6 ወር ፅኑ እስራት እንዲቀጣ በማለት ውሳኔ ሰጥቷል። በዚህም የግል ተበዳይ ደስተኛ መሆንዋን ገልጿ ማህበሩ ላደረገላት ድጋፍ ልባዊ ምስጋናዋን አቅርባለች።

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የኢትዮጵያ የሕግ ባለሙያ ሴቶች ማህበር ሀዋሳ ቅርንጫፍ እንደ ማሳያ ሊጠቀስ የሚችል ውጤታማ ስራ {success story}

የትዕግስት ምትኩ ውጤታማ ስራ

ወ/ሮ ትዕግስት ምትኩ በሀዋሳ ከተማ ነዋሪ የሆነች ባለትዳርና የሁለት ልጆች እናት ናት። ከባለቤቷ ጋር በትዳር ተሳስረው አብረው እየኖሩ እያለ ባለቤቷ ቀድሞ የነበረውን መልካም ባህርይ በመተው የተለያዩ ሱሶች ውስጥ በመግባት እየጠጣ እየመጣ አካላዊና ሞራላዊ ጉዳዮችን ሲያደርስባት ቆይቷል። ምንም እንኳን ባለቤትዋ በክልሉ አቃቤ ህግ አስተዳደር መስሪያ ቤት ውስጥ የህግ ባለሙያ ሆኖ እየሰራ የሚገኝ ቢሆንም ነገር ግን ከአንድ የህግ ባለሙያ በማይጠበቅ ሀላፊነት በጎደለው መልኩ የተለያዩ ህገወጥ ድርጊቶችንና በደሎችን እየፈጸመባት ቢቆይም ባለጉዳዮችን ግን ቤተሰብዋ እንዳይበተንና የልጆቿን የወደፊት ህይወት አደጋ ውስጥ እንዳይገባ ለልጆቿ ቅድሚያ በመስጠት ጉዳዩን በትዕግስትና በሰከነ አይምሮ በመያዝ ከዛሬ ነገ ይሻሻላል በሚል ተስፋ ጊዜ ሰጥታ ስትጠብቀው የነበረ ቢሆንም ባለቤትዋ ግን ከመሻሻል ይልቅ እየባሰበት ስለሄደ ጉዳዩን በቤተሰብና በዘመድ ሽምግልና እንዲሁም በሀይማኖት አባቶች በኩል በእርቅና በሽምግልና ሰላም ለማውረድ የሄደችበት እርቀት ሊሳካ ስላልቻለና ከአቅም በላይ ስለሆነባት በሰዎች ጥቆማ ወደ ኢ/የህ/ባ/ሴ/ማ ሀዋሳ ቅርንጫፍ ቢሮ በአካል ቀርባ ከባለቤቷ ጋር የተፈጠረውን አለመግባባት በዝርዝር አስረድታ የተለያዩ አማራጮችን ተጠቅማ ችግሩን ለመፍታት ስላልቻለች የሷንና የልጆቿን መብቷ በፍርድ ሀይል ለማስከበር ማህበሩ የህግ ድጋፍ እንዲያበረክትላት ጥያቄ አቅርባለች።

ማህበሩም የጉዳዩ ባለቤት ከሆነችው ባለጉዳዮችን ስለጉዳዩ በጥልቀት ተነጋግረን የተፈጠረውን አለመግባባት ባለቤቷን አስጠርተን በቢሮ አቅም በውይይት ለመፍታት በተደጋጋሚ ያደረግነው ጥረት ሊሳካልን ባለመቻሉ የፍርድ ቤት የፍቺ እና የቀለብ አቤቱታ ለሀዋሳ ከተማ የመጀመሪያ ደረጃ ፍርድ ቤት አቅርቦን ፍርድ ቤቱም አቤቱታውን ተቀብሎ ከመረመረ በኋላ ፍቺውን በተጠሪ ጥፋተኝነት ፈራሽ እንዲሆንና ለፊቺው ምክንያት በመሆኑ የሞራል ካሳ ብር 4000(አራት ሺህ) እንዲከፍል እንዲሁም ለአቅመ አዳም ላልደረሱ ሁለት ልጆች የቀለብ ብር 2500(ሁለት ሺህ አምስት መቶ) እንዲከፍል በማለት ውሳኔ ሰጥቷል።

የውሳኔውን ግልባጭ በመያዝ ጉዳዩ በአፈጻጸም ላይ እንዳለ ባለቤቷ የቀለብ ብር የተወሰነበትን ላለመክፈል በሚመስል መልኩ በገዛ ፍቃዱ ስራ በመልቀቅ የአፈጻጸሙን ሁኔታ አስቸጋሪ አድርጎት

የነበረ ቢሆንም በወቅቱ ስራ በመልቀቁ ምክንያት ከፍተኛ ችግር ላይ ወድቆ የነበረው ባለቤቷ እንደገና ወደ ስራ ገበታው ስለተመለሰ ከዚህ ቀደም በፍ/ቤት ተወስኖበት የነበረው የቀለብ ብር ክፍያውን እንዲቀጥል ተደርጓል።

ይህ በእንዲህ እንዳለ የባለጉዳዮችን ባለቤት ባደረሰት ድንገተኛ ህመም ከዚህ አለም በሞት በመለየቱ ምክንያት የአርሷ ሚስትነትና ሞግዚትነት እንዲሁም የልጆቹን ወራሽነት እንዲረጋገጥ ለፍርድ ቤት አቤቱታ አቅርቦን አቤቱታው የቀረበለት ፍርድ ቤት ጉዳዩን መርምሮ የአመልካችን ሚስትነትና ሞግዚትነት እንዲሁም የልጆቹን ወራሽነት በማረጋገጥ የፍርድ ቤት ማስረጃ ሰጥቷል፤ በዚህ የፍርድ ቤት ማረጋገጫ መነሻነት ለመንግስት ሰራተኞች ማህበራዊ ዋስትና ኤጀንሲ ደቡብ ሪጅን ሀዋሳ ቅርንጫፍ ጽ/ቤት የሚችሉ ቤተሰቦች የጡረታ ዋስትና ተጠቃሚ ይሆኑ ዘንድ ፍርድ ቤቱ ከላይ ለተጠቀሰው ኤጀንሲ ትእዛዝ እንዲሰጥ በጠየቅነው መሰረት ትእዛዙ ተሰጥቶ በአሁኑ ጊዜ ባለጉዳዮችን የባለቤቷን የጡረታ ዋስትና ተጠቃሚ ለመሆን ችላለች።

**Annex 4**

**Case No. 87149**

**Applicant:** - W/ro Seblewengel Fekadu

**Address:** - Dire Dawa city kebele :- 04

**Respondent:** - Mr. Kirubel Milion Geda

**Address:** - Dire Dawa city kebele :- 04

**Divorce File**

W/ro Seblewengel Fekadu is a 27 year old women who lives in Dire Dawa , she have been married for 8 years to a man named Kirubel in that period they have one Daughter and W/Ro Sebelwengel is 7 5 month pregnant with there 2<sup>nd</sup> child.

In the last 8 years of marriage they have built a home in the land of the respondent family , they have purchased vehicles and co-own a night club in the center of the town. In those Year of marriage w/ro Seblewengel have been experiencing physiological as well as economical violence from her husband.

She came to our office on 28/06/2014 E.c to get legal aid service. our office provided the applicant with legal advise and all the legal document necessary for her to open a file . we demanded that they get divorce and the defendant to provide maintenance for there 5 year old daughter and for equal distribution of property. The Respondent try (ንብረት ማሸሽ) Land Cruiser car and the night club property , we prepared a application for the court to hold all sales and transfer of the document to another 3<sup>rd</sup> party , however the night club property was able to be counted and be protected , when it come to the Car the vehicle was working in Addis and it was under the name of another person .



Annex 7

ጉዳዩን የተከታተለው የማህበሩ ቅርንጫፍ፡ ዋናው ቢሮ

የጉዳዩ አይነት ፡ ሰኔ 8 ቀን 2014 ዓ.ም

በጽሁፍ ያዘጋጀው ባለሞያ፡ ህይወት ሙሴ

ጉዳዩን የያዘው በጎ ፈቃደኛ፡

በፍ/ቤት ውሳኔ ያግኘ ጉዳይ

የኢትዮጵያ የሕግ ባለሙያ ሴቶች ማህበር የሀገራችንን ሴቶች ኢኮኖሚያዊ እና ፖለቲካዊ ማህበራዊ የሕግ መብቶችን ለማሳደግ እና ለማስከበር ከ1987 ዓ.ም ጀምሮ የተቋቋመ ለትርፍ ያልቆመ ድርጅት ነው። ማህበሩ ምንም እንኳን ዋና መስሪያ ቤቱን በመዲናችን አ.አ ቢያደርግም ተደራሽነቱን ከፍ ለማድረግ በኢትዮጵያ ውስጥ የተለያዩ ክልሎች ላይ የማህበሩን ቅርንጫፍ ጽ/ቤቶች እና ኮሚቴዎች አስፋፍቶ ይገኛል። በዚህም ከፍተኛ የሆኑ ሕጻናት እና ሴቶች የሕግ ከለላ የሕግ ድጋፍ በማግኘት ላይ ይገኛሉ። ከሕግ ድጋፍ ውጪም የተለያዩ ሥልጣኖችን ለመስጠት እስከ መጨረሻው ድረስ መብታቸውን ለማስከበር አኳያ ብዙ ሥራዎችን የሥራ ማህበር ነው እየሰራም ይገኛል። የተለያዩ ጥናቶችን በማካሄድ የሕግ ድንጋጌዎችን በማሻሻል በመለወጥ እንዲሁም በማስቀረት የሀገሪቱን የሕግ ድንጋጌዎች ወደ ተሽለ ፍትህዊነት እና ለውጥ በማምጣት ከፍተኛ ሚና በመጫወት ላይ ይገኛል። በየዕለቱ በማህበሩ የተለያዩ ጽ/ቤት ተገኝተው የሕግ ድጋፍ የጠየቁት ወ/ሮ ዲቦራ ይርጉ ይገኙበታል።

1. አመልካችዎ በመጋቢት 23 ቀን 2011 ዓ.ም ወደ በማህበሩ ቀርበው ከባለቤቱ ጋር መስማማት አልቻልኩም ሁለት ልጆች አሉን እና ባለቤቱ የልጆች ቀለብ እየሰጠኝ ስላልሆነ የሕግ ድጋፍ ፈልጌ ነው የመጣሁት ብለዋል። በወቅቱ የማክራቸው ጠበቃም ተጠሪን (ባለቤታቸውን) በቅድሚያ ጠርቶ ለማግባባት መሞከር ተገቢ መሆኑንን ከግምት በማስገባት ለመጋቢት 30 ቀን 2011 ዓ.ም መጥሪያ ተልኮለት በቀጠሮው ተገኝተው ግራቀኙን በማስማማት ተጠሪም በወር ለ2ቱ ሕጻናት የልጅ ቀለብ የሚሆን ብር 3000.00 (ሦስት ሺህ ብር) ለመስጠት ተስማምቷል።
2. አመልካችዎ በድጋሚ በሰኔ 24 ቀን 2011 ዓ.ም ወደ በማህበሩ ቀርበው ተጠሪው የሚስጠው ቀለብ ገንዘብ ከኑሮ ውድነት አንጻር ብቁባለመሆኑ በድጋሚ አናግሩት ሲሉ ጠይቀዋል። በድጋሚ ለተጥሪ መጥሪያ ደርሷቸው በመቅረብ የቀለብ መጠኑን ከሚከፍሉት በላይ ለመጨመር አቅም እንደሌላቸው ገልጸዋል። በዚህ ሁኔታ ማስማማት ስላልተቻሉ በሕግ በኩል የአመልካችን መብት ለማስከበር ጥረት ተደርጓል።

3. በመሆኑም የተለዩ ማስረጃዎችን ይዘው እንዲቀርቡ በተነገራቸው መሠረት በነሐሴ 20 ቀን 2011 ዓ.ም ይዘው ቀርበዋል። በ25/3/2012 ዓ.ም ለፍ/ቤት የፍቺ እና የልጅ ቀለብ አቤቱታ ተጽፎላቸው ወስደዋል።
4. ፍ/ቤቱም ለተጠሪ መጥሪያ እንዲደርሰው ካዘዘ በኋላ አመልካች እና ተጠሪ በትዳር ወቅት ካፈሩዋቸው ሁለት ልጆቻቸው በተጨማሪ የጋራ የሆነ ንብረት ያፈሩ መሆናቸውን በክርክር ወቅት ፍ/ቤቱ ውሳኔ ላይ ከመድረሱ በፊት ተጠሪ ንብረት ሊያሸሽ እንደሚችል በማሰብ በንብረቶቹ ላይ የዕግድ ትዕዛዝ እንዲሰጥልን ጠይቀን ፍ/ቤቱንም የእግድ ትእዛዝ ስጥቶል። ማህበሩም ለ5 ወራት የፈጀውን ክርክር ለአመልካች እስከመጨረሻው ድረስ ተገቢውን እገዛ ሲያደርግ ቆይቷል። ፍ/ቤቱም በሚያዝያ 28 ቀን 2014 ዓ.ም በዋለው ችሎት ውሳኔ ሰጥቷል። በውሳኔውም ጋብቻቸው በፍቺ የፈረሰ ሲሆን ሁለቱንም ሕጻናት የማሳደግ መብት ለወ/ሮ ዲቦራ የተሰጠ በመሆኑ ተጠሪ የልጆች ቀለብ ብር 4,000.00 (አራት ሺህ ብር) በየወሩ ተቆራጭ እንዲያደርግ ተወስኗል።
5. በህዳር 29 ቀን 2013 ዓ.ም የተለያዩ የቤት ውስጥ ቁሳቁሶች እና የጋራ መኖሪያ ቤት በ500 ካ.ሜትር ላይ ያረፈ ዋና ቤት 5 ክፍል 2መኝታ ቤት፣ 1መታጠቢያ ቤት፣ 1ዕቃቤት፣ 1ሳሎን እና 2 ክፍል ሰርቪስ ቤት በኦሮሚያ ክልል ዲማ የሚገኝ ቤት እና ተጨማሪ 2ክፍለ ሰርቪስ ተለይቶ የተሰራ ግምቱ ብር 200,000 (ሁለት መቶ ሺህ ብር) የሆነ ቤት ከተቻለ በዓይነት እንድትካፈል በዓይነት መካፈል የማይችሉትን በስምምነት በገበያ ዋጋ ተሸጠው እንድንካፈል ይህ ካልሆነ በሐራጅ ተሸጥው ገንዘቡን እንድንከፋፈል የሚል አቤቱታ ለፍ/ቤት ተጽፎላቸው ወስደዋል።
6. ተጠሪም በሰጠው መልስ፦
  - 6.1. በትዳር ውስጥ በነበሩ ጊዜ የተሸጡ የግል ንብረቶችን ከተጠቀሱት ንብረት ዝርዝሮች መሀል አብዛኛዎቹ ክትዳር በፊት ያፈሯቸው መሆኑን
  - 6.2. የኮንዶሚኒየም ቤት አለን በማለት አመልካች ያቀረቡ ስለሆነ ይህንን ቤት እኔ ሳላውቅ ለሌለ 3ተኛ ወገን በድብቅ ያስተላለፈች በመሆኑ ከሽያጭ ብር ላይ 1,000.000.00 (አንድ ሚሊዮን ብር) ሊሰጠኝ ይገባል።
  - 6.3. ይህንን ቤት 5 ዓመት በማከራየት 360,000.00 (ሦስት መቶ ስልሳ ሺህ ብር) ለግሏ የተጠቀመች በመሆኑ ከዚህ ላይ ግማሽ የቤት ኪራይ ድርሻዬን ትስጥኝ።
  - 6.4. 500 ካ.ሜ ይዞታ እና ቤት በተመለከተ ክትዳር በፊት የነበሩ ቤቶች በመሆናቸው እና አመልች ምንም ዓይነት የሥነልቦናም ሆነ የጉልበት እገዛ ያላደርግች በመሆኑ ልትካፈል አይገባም እነዚህ ቤቶች የወ/ሮ ተዋበች ንጉሴ የእናቴ በመሆናቸው ወ/ሮ ዲቦራ ወይም አመልካች ልካፈል በማለት የቀረበው አቤቱታ ባጠቃላይ ውድቅ ሆኖ ነገር ግን ያሸሹትን ንብረቶች በጠቅላላ እንዲያካፍሉዋቸው በመጠየቅ ወጪ እና ኪሳራ እንዲከፍሉ በማለት በመልሳቸው ጠይቀዋል። \

7. ነገሩን ውስብስብ ያደረገው ዋናው ምክንያት ደግሞ የተጠሪ እናት ጣልቃ ገብ በመሆን በጥር 27 ቀን 2014 ዓ.ም ከላይ ከ500 ካ.ሜ ላይ የተገነቡት ቤቶች ጣልቃ ገብ ቤቱን በ7/04/07 ዓ.ም በግሌ የገዛሁት ሲሆን ተጠሪ ደግሞ ቤቱን በገዛሁ ጊዜ በምስክርነት ፈርሟል። ነገር ግን አመልካች እና ተጠሪ ኑሮ ከበደን ስላሉ እና ሕጻናት ይዘው ሲንከራተቱ በማየቴ ለጊዜው እንኩርበት ብለው ለጠየቁኝ ጥያቄ ፍቃደኛ ሆኜ እንዲኖሩበት ፈቅጃላቸዋለሁ ከዚህ ቤት ላይም ቆርሽ ለሌላ ግለሰብ በግንቦት 27 ቀን 2010 ዓ.ም ሽጬለታለሁ ማለት የግል ንብረት መሆኑን የሚያሳይ ሌሎች ማስረጃዎችን ጨምረው ተከራክረዋል ዕግዱ እንዲነሳላቸውም ጠይቀዋል።
8. የማህበሩም ዋና አላማ ሴቶች ህጋዊ መብታቸውን እንዲያስጠብቁ እና ከህግ አግባብ እንዲበረታቱ በነጻ ከሚያቆማቸው ጠበቆች ጋር በመሆን ተግባር መስራት በመሆኑ የአመልካችም የንብረት ክፍፍለ ይዘት ውስብስብ በመሆኑ በጠበቃ ካልተደገፉ ተጎጂ መሆናቸውን አምናበት የህግባለሙያ በመመድብ።
9. በጠብቃዋ አማካኝነት የቀረበው የቤት ሽያጭ ውል በሀሰት የቀረበ መሆኑን ቤቱ ጣልቃ ገብን እንደማይመለከታቸው ተጠሪ እና አመልካች በትዳር ውስጥ የተፈራ ንብረት መሆኑን ለ9/06/2013 ዓ.ም በዋለው ችሎት አስተያየታቸውን አቅርበዋል።፤ ተጠሪም ቤቱ የጣልቃ ገብ የግል ሀብት መሆኑን አልቃወምም በማለት አስተያየት ሰጥቷል። ክርክሩ በዋለው ችሎትም ማህበሩ ያቆማቸው (የአመልካች ጠበቃ የሰው ምስክሮችን እና ማስረጃዎችን በማክል ከላይ የተጠቀሱት ንብረቶች በጠቅላላ በትዳር የተፈሩ ናቸው ተብሎ አንዲወሰን ተከራክረዋል።
10. ተጠሪም ቤቱን በተመለከተ ቀበሌ እናቴ ለካርታ ተመዝግቦ በተባለበት ወቅት ክፍለ ሀገር በመሄዷ በእኔ ስም እንደገና የሽያጭ ውል አድርገን ቀበሌ አስገባሁ እንጂ ቦታው እና ቤቱ የእናቴ ነው። የቀረበውም ሰነድ ይህን በመሆኑ ስህተት ነው። ስለዚህ ቤቱ የጌተኛ ወገን የጣልቃ ገብ ነው ተብሎ ይወሰንልኝ በማለት ተከራክረዋል። ጣልቃ ገብም ቤቱን በመስራት ልጄ ብር በመስጠት እና ብሎኬት በማምጣት ያግዘኝ እንጂ ቤቱ የግሌ ነው ሲሉ ተከራክረዋል። ፍ/ቤቱም የግራ ቀኙን ክርክር ከሰማ በኋላ ምስክሮችን እና የግራቀኞችን ክርክር ከግምት ውስጥ በማስገባት ማህበሩ ባደረገው እልህ አስጨራሽ ትግል ቤቱ በትዳር የተፈራ ንብረት መሆኑ እንዲሁም ጠቅላላ የቤት ቁሳቁሶች እና በንብረት ክርክር አቤቱታው ላይ የቀረቡት ንብረቶች ጠቅላላ የጋራ መሆናቸውን አምናበት በግንቦት 25 ቀን 2014 ዓ.ም በዋለው ችሎት ውሳኔ ሰጥቷል። ምንም እንኳን ጉዳዩ ውስብስብ ሆኖ አመልካችን ጨምሮ በብዙ ተስፋ የተቆረጠበት ጅምራ ቢኖረውም ማህበሩ ባደረገው ከፍተኛ ጥረት እና አስተዋጾ ክርክሩን ማሸነፍ ተችሏል። ምንም ጊዜም ቢሆን የማህበሩ ዓላማ ከእውነት ጎን መቆም ነው ይህንንም ከባድ በሚባሉ ውስብስብ ጉዳዮች ላይ ባለጉዳዩቹ እራሳቸው ተስፋ በቆረጡበት ሁኔታ የጨለማ ውስጥ ብርሃን በመሆኑ አመርቂ ውጤት ማስመዘገብ ችሏል። ለዚህም ምስክር ይህንን ጉዳይ በእማኝነት መውሰድ ይችላል።

ጉዳዩን የተከታተለው የማህበሩ ቅርንጫፍ፡ አሶሳ

የጉዳዩ አይነት፡ ፍትሐብሔር

ጉዳዩን የተከታተለው በጎ ፈቃደኛ፡ በአሶሳ ዩንቨርሲቲ መምህር ጀማል መሐመድ

ከሳሽ :-ወ/ሮ የኔነሽ ኢትቻ ተከሳሽ

ተከሳሾች:- 1. አቶ ዳንኤል ለሙ

2. ሙሉነሽ ለሙ

በፍ/መ/ቁጥር 00525/14

የክሱ ዝርዝር በአጭሩ

ሚች እሙሆይ በቀለ የአመልካች እናት ሲሆኑ ሚቿ ትተውት ያለፉት የውርስ ሃብት በአሶሳ ከተማ በተለምዶ አረብ ገበያ ተብሎ በሚጠራው አካባቢ የሚገኝ መኖሪያ ቤት በግምት 2500ካ.ሜ ይዞታ ላይ ያረፈ ሲሆን ቤቱ አንድ ቪላ ቤት ፣ ሶስት መኝታ ክፍል እና አንድ ሻወር ቤት፣ አምስት ክፍል ሰርቪስ ቤቶችና ያለው ነው። በተጨማሪም ሚች በአሶሳ ከተማ በተለምዶ አረብ ገበያ ተብሎ በሚጠራው አካባቢ የሚገኝ በግምት 100ካ.ሜ ላይ ያረፈ ሁለት የድርጅት ቤቶች ትተው አልፏል። ይህንንም የጋራ የውርስ ንብረት ከሳሽ (የህባሴማ አመልካች) እና ተከሳሾች ሚች ከሞቱ በኋላም በጋራ ሲጠቀሙበት ቆይተዋል።

ሆኖም ከላይ ስማቸው ተከሳሽ ተብሎ የተመለከቱትና ከከሳሽ ጋር የሚች ወራሾች የነበሩት ግለሰቦች የከሳሽን አለመማርና በእነሱ ላይ ያላትን እምነት ተጠቅመው ከውርስ ባለሙብትነት በማግለል በማያታውቀው ሁኔታ የውርስ ሀብቱን የወሰዱና ከድርጅቱ ማገኘት ያለባትን ገቢ እዳታገኝ አድርገዋታል።

ከሳሽም ጉዳዩን ወደ ማህበሩ ይዞ በመቅረብ የህግ ድጋፍ እንዲደረግላት የጠየቀች ሲሆን የማህበሩ አሶሳ ቅርንጫፍ ጽ/ቤት ጠበቃ በመመደብ ተገቢውን ድጋፍ አድርጎ ጉዳዩ ውሳኔ እስካገኘበት ድረስ ተከታትሎታል። በዚህም መሰረት ጉዳዩ የቀረበለት ፍ/ቤት የውርስ ሃብት ከሆነው የመኖሪያ ቤት ውስጥ ድርሻዋ ከተከሳሾች እኩል ተሰልቶ እንዲሰጣት እንዲሁም ከንግድ ድርጅቶቹ በኪራይ ከሚያገኘው ገቢ ውስጥ ብር 925,800 (ዘጠኝ መቶ ሃያ አምስት ሺህ ስምንት መቶ ብር) ተከሳሾች ለከሳሽ እንዲከፍሏት ሲል ውሳኔ ሰጥቷል።

Annex 8

ጉዳዩን የያዘው የማህበሩ ቅርንጫፍ፡ ባህርዳር

የጉዳዩ አይነት፡ ፍትሐብሔር

የሃናን የሱፍ የክርክር ሂደት

ወ/ሮ ሃናን የሱፍ ትባላለች የ38 አመት ሴት ናት። አሁን የምትኖረው ደሴ ከተማ ነው። ሃናን እና ባለቤቷ አቶ እንድሪስ ሃሰን ጋብቻቸውን የፈፀሙት 2002 ዓ.ም በወቅቱ ይኖሩበት ከነበረው ሳውዲ አረቢያ ነው። ጋብቻቸውንም በእምነታቸው መሰረት እነሱ ሳውዲ ሁነው ፍቃዳቸውን ከሰጡ በኋላ አዲስ አበባ ሽማግሌዎችን በማድረግ ተከናውኗል። የተለያዩ ሃብት ንብረት አፍርተዋል ። የ6ወር ሕፃን ወንድ ልጅ አላቸው ። አብዛኛውን ኖሯቸውን ያሳለፉት ሳውዲ አረቢያ ነው ። በመካከል አቶ እንድሪስ ሀሰን ወደ ኢትዮጵያ መጣቶ ኑሮውን አደረገ ። ሃናንም ወልዳ ወደሃገሯ ስትመለስ ባለቤቷ ሌላ ሚስት አግብቶ ጠበቃት ከዚያም ለልጃችን ቀለብ እና በሰው ሃገር ሰርቼ ያፈራሁትን ሃብትን ብላ ስትጠይቅ ልጅም የለኝ ሃብት ንብረትም የለሽም እንዴውም ሚስት አይደለሽ ብሎ አላት ። እንግዲ በዚህ ስዓት ነው ደሴ ከተማ ከሚገኙ በጎፍቃደኛ ኮሚቴዎቻችን ጋር በመሄድ አመለካከት የደሴ ኮሚቴዎችም የአመለካች ባለቤት ባ/ዳር ከተማ የሚኖር በመሆኑ ወደ ባ/ዳር ቅርንጫፍ ደወሉልን። አመለካች ከምትኖርበት አገር እርቀት የተነሳ እና ካላት ሃብት ንብረት አኳያ አመልካችም ከደሴ ባ/ዳር ተመላልሳ ጉዳዩን ለማስፈፀም የማትችል እና ያፈሩት ሃብት ንብረት በተጠሪ እጅ የሚገኝ እና በመሆኑ በቅርንጫፍ ፅ/ቤታችን በመ.ቁ 708/21 በቀን 20/11/2013 ዓ.ም መዝገብ ተከፍቶ በመወያየት ለአቶ አዲስ አበባ ለተባለ በጎፍቃደኛ ጠበቃ ተመርቶለት ክርክሩን እንዲይዝ ተደርጓል።

በባ/ዳር ከተማ ወረዳ ፍ/ቤት ፋይል ተከፍቶ የባልናሚስት ክርክሩ ከተጀመረ በኋላ ተጠሪም ሚስት አይደለችም ልጅም የእኔ አይደለም የሚል ክርክር በማንሳቱ ፍ/ቤቱ ሚስት ናት አይደለችም ሚላውን ጭብጥ ይዞ ከአከራከረ በኋላ ሚስት ናት የሚል ብይን በመሰጠቱ የልጅ ቀለብ በእየወሩ 1200/አንድ ሽህ ሁለት መቶ /እንዲሁም ብዙ ንብረት ነበራቸው ቢሆንም ነገር ግን ሲጣራ በስሙ የተገኘው አንድ የገበያ አክሲወን በመሆኑ 1.2/አንድ ነጥብ ሁለት ሚሊዮን ብር/ተወስኖላት አፈጻጸም ክስ ቀርቦ እንዲያስረክባት ተወስኖላታል።

Annex 9

ጉዳዩን የያዘው የማህበሩ ቅርንጫፍ፡ ባህርዳር

የጉዳዩ አይነት ፡ ወንጀል

የእነ አያልነሽ ጥላሁን የክርክር ሂደት

የእነ አያልነሽ ጥላሁን (3ሰዎች) ወደ ተቋማችን በቀን 16 /10/2013 ዓ.ም የመጡ ሲሆን በመ/ቁ681/21 ፋይል የተከፍተ ሲሆን አመልካቾች ዳንኤል መስፍን በተባለ ግለሰብ ወንጀል የደረሰባቸው ሲሆን 1ኛ. አመልካች አያልነሽ ጥላሁን ተከላሹ በቀን 20/08/2013 ዓ.ም አመት ወደስራ በመሄድ ላይ እያለች የሲኖትራክ ሹፌር ነኝ ስው ገጭቸ የሚች ቤተሰቦች ሊገሉኝ ነው። ፖሊስ ጣቢያ ሂጄ እጅ እስክሰጥ እርጅኝ በማለት የሆነ ነገር ያስነካኝ ሲሆን መጀመሪያ 6000 /ስድስት ሺህ ብር/ በኃላም በደቂቃዎች ልዩነት 20፣000 /ሃያ ሺህ ብር/ በጠቅላላው 26000 /ሃያ ስድስት ሺህ ብር / ከ2ኛ አመልካች ሙሉ ተመስገን በተመሳሳይ 5000/አምስት ሺህ ብር/ ከ3ኛ አመልካች ገነት ደሴ በተመሳሳይ 2000/ሁለት ሺህ ብር/ በማታለል ወስዶ የጠፋ ሲሆን በኃላም ተከላሹ በፖሊስ ክትትል ይያዛል። ተከላሹ ጠበቃ ቀጥሮ የዋሰትና ጥያቄ ለባ/ዳር እና አካባቢዋ ከፍ/ፍ/ቤት አቅርቦ በ10000 /አስር ሺህ ብር/ ዋስ እንዲፈታ ፍ/ቤቱ ያዛል ። በዚህ ጊዜ እኛ ም ከአመልካቾች እና ከዐቃቤያን ህግ ጋር በመሆን ተከላሽ ከዚህ ቀደም በተመሳሳይ የማታለል ወንጀል በዋሰትና ወጥቶ የጠፋ መሆኑን ከጎንደር ማስረጃ ይደርሰናል በመሆኑም ጎንደር ሄደው ፋይሉን እንዲያመጡ በማድረግ/ባ/ዳር እና አካባቢዋ ከፍታኛ ፍ/ቤት የወንጀል ስራ ሂደት የሆኑትን ዳኛ በማናገር ዋስትና እንዲከለከል በማድረግ ከዞን አቃቤ ህግ እና ከጎንደር ከተማ አስተዳደር ፖሊስ መምሪያ የመጣውን ማስረጃ በማያያዝ ዋስትና እንዲከለከል ያደረግን ሲሆን ጎን ለጎን አመልካቾች የፍታብሄር ክስ እንዲ መሰርቱ በማድረግን አንዳንድ የተከላሹን ንብረቶች እና ለዋሰትና የክፈለውን 10000 አስር ሺህ ብር ጨምሮ እንዲታገድ በማድረግ የፍታብሄር ክርክሩ ቀጥሎ ለአመልካቾች የተወሰነላቸው ሲሆን ተከላሽም በጠበቃው አማካኝነት በፍታብሄሩ ውሳኔ ይግባኝ ያለ ሲሆን የይግባኙ ነጥብም በወንጀል ጥፋተኛ ሳልባል የፍታብሄር ሃላፊነት ሊኖርብኝ አይገባም በማለት ይግባኝ ያቀረበ ሲሆን አመልካቾችም በቃል መልሳቸውን ይዘው እንዲቀርቡ ሲጠየቁ በእና በኩል አስፈላጊውን የህግ ምክር አግኝተው የሄዱ ሲሆን ይግባኝ ሰሚ ፍ/ቤቱም የወንጀሉ ጉዳይ ሊያልቅ የተቃረበ ስለሆነ ተለዋጭ ቀጠሮ የሰጠ ሲሆን የወንጀሉ ጉዳይም በቀን 14/10/2014 ዓ.ም ተከላሹ ጥፋተኛ በመባል በአራት አመት እስራት ውሳኔ ሊያገኝ ችሏል። የፍታብሄር የወሰደባቸውን 33000/ሰላሳ ሶስት ሺህ ብር/ እንዲከፍል ውሳኔውም የፀና ሲሆን ችሏል።

Annex 10

ጉዳዩን የተከታተለው ቅርንጫፍ፡ ሀዋሳ

የጉዳዩ አይነት

ቀን28/10/2014ዓም

የወይንሽት የሴፍ ታሪክ

የኢትዮጵያ የህግ ባለሙያ ሴቶች ማህበር ሀዋሳ ቅርንጫፍ ከሚያከናውናቸው በርካታ ህግ ነክ ተግባራት መካከል በሀዋሳ ማረሚያ ቤት ውስጥ ያሉትን ሴት ታራሚዎችን አስመልክቶ የህግ ድጋፍ እየሰጠ እንደሚገኝ ይታወቃል።

ከነዚህ የህግ ድጋፍ ከሚያስፈልጋቸው ተገልጋዮቻችን መካከል ወ/ሪት ወይንሽት የሴፍ አንዷ ናት። ባለጉዳዮችን ነዋሪነትዋ በሲዳማ ክልል በይርጋለም ከተማ ዳሌ ወረዳ ሲሆን ወደ ሀዋሳ ማረሚያ ቤት ልትመጣ የቻለችው በምትኖርበት አካባቢ ከተዋወቀችው አንድ ሰው ጋር በነበራት የፍቅር ግንኙነት በተፈጸመ የግብረ ስጋ ግንኙነት ጽንሰ ይፈጠራል፤ ነገር ግን ከእድሜዋ አለመብሰልና ከግንዛቤ ጉድለት የተነሳ መጸነሷን ሳታውቅ ለበርካታ ጊዜያት ቆይታለች፤ ባለጉዳዮችን እንዳስረዳችን ከሆነ ባለፈው አመት በ2013 ዓ.ም. ክረምት ውስጥ በእኩል ሌሊት ላይ ከባድ ህመም ይሰማትና ቤተሰብ በአፋጣኝ በአቅራቢያቸው ወዳለው ጤና ጣቢያ ይወስዷታል በጤና ጣቢያ ውስጥ ወረፋ እየጠበቁ እያለ ባለጉዳዮችን ህመሙ ሲጸናባት ወደ መጸዳጃ ቤት ሄዳ እዚያው እያለች ሳታስበው ከሆዷ ውስጥ ከዚህ በፊት አይታው የማታውቀው ባእድ ነገር ሲወጣ በማየቷ ህመም ስለነበረው ስትጮህ በጤና ጣቢያው ውስጥ የነበሩት ዘመዶችና የጤና ጣቢያው ሰራተኞች ደርሰው አንስተው ወደ ውስጥ እንዳስገቧት ከዚያን በኋላ እራሷን ስታ ስለነበር ምን እንደተፈጠረ አላውቅም በማለት አስረድታለች።

በወቅቱ ጉዳዩን በቅርበት ሲከታተሉ የነበሩት የጤና ጣቢያው ሀኪሞችና ሰራተኞች ባለጉዳዮችን ሆን ብላ ጽንሰ የማስወረድና ህጻን ልጅ የመግደል ወንጀል እንደፈጸመች በመጠርጠራቸው ጉዳዩን በከተማው ውስጥ ለሚገኝ የፖሊስ አካል ጥቆማ በማቅረባቸው ፖሊስ ጉዳዩን መርምሮ የነበሰ ማጥፋት ወንጀል ፈጽማለች በማለት በመጠርጠር እርሷንና ወላጅ አባቷን ለቀናት ያህል በፖሊስ ጣቢያ ታስረው እንዲቆዩ ከተደረገ በኋላ ወላጅ አባቷን ከእስር ፈተውት እርሷን ፍርድ ቤት ካቀረቡ በኋላ አቃቤ ህግ ባቀረበው የነበሰ ማጥፋት ወንጀል ክስ መሰረት ምርመራ አድርጎ በተጠረጠረችበት የነበሰ ማጥፋት ወንጀል ክስ ጥፋተኛ በማለት 7 አመት እስራት ውሳኔ በመስጠቱ በሀዋሳ ከተማ በሚገኘው ማረሚያ ተቋም የህግ ታራሚ ሆና የእስር ጊዜዋን ከመስከረም 22/2014ዓ.ም. ጀምሮ 10 ወር ያህል ጊዜ በማረሚያተቋሙ ቆይታለች።

ማህበራችን በማእከሉ ለሚገኙ የሴት የህግ ታራሚዎች እየሰጠ በሚገኘው የህግ ድጋፍ አማካኝነት ከደምበኞችን ጋር ግንኙነት በመፍጠር ጉዳዩን ስናጣራ ደንበኞችን የተከሰሰችበት የህግ አንቀጽ በመደበኛ

የሰው መግደል ወንጀል መሆኑን ስንረዳ ፈጽሞ አግባብነት የሌለው በመሆኑ እንዲሁም የቀረበባትን ክስ በራሱ የሚያረጋግጥ ማስረጃ ስር ፍርድ ቤት ላይ ክስ ያቀረበው አቃቤ ህግ በቂ የህክምና ማስረጃም ሆነ የሰው ማስረጃ አለማቅረቡን በማረጋገጥ ጉዳዩን በይግባኝ ሊታረም እንደሚገባው በማመን ይግባኝ ወደ ሲዳማ ክልል ሀዋሳ አካባቢ ከፍተኛው ፍርድ ቤት እንዲጠየቅ አድርገናል ፣ የይግባኝ አቤቱታ በዋናነት ያተኮረው ደንበኞችን በስር ፍርድ ቤት የቀረበባት መደበኛ የነብስ ማጥፋት ክስ ተፈጸመ ከተባለው ወንጀል ጋር በምንም እንደማይገናኝና መከሰስም ካለባት በፅንሰ ማቋረጥ መሆን እንዳለበትና አቃቤ የወረዳ አቃቤ ህግም ያቀረበው ማስረጃ በቂ አለመሆኑን በመግለጽ እንዲሁም ጉዳዩ ወደ ሐዋሳ አካባቢ ከፍተኛ ፍርድ ቤት በይግባኝ ሲመጣ ጉዳዩን ይዞት የነበረው የሲዳማ ክልል ጠቅላይ አቃቤ ህግ ቢሮ በመሆኑ ይህንንም ከፅህፈት ቤቱ ሴቶችና ህፃናት ክስ ሂደት ዩኒት ጋር በመነጋገር እንዲሁም በማስረዳት አቃቤ ህግ እራሱ በቂ የነፍስ ማጥፋት ነው ለማለት ስር ፍርድ ቤት ላይ አጥጋቢ ማስረጃ ባለማቅረባቸውና ፍርድ ቤቱም የመሰለውን ፍርድ ቢሰጥ እንደማይቃወሙ መልስ ሰጥተዋል። በመሆኑም የስር ፍርድ ቤት የሰጠውን ውሳኔ ውድቅ በማድረግ ደንበኞችን በግድያ ወንጀል መጠየቅ የለባትም በማለት ውሳኔ እንዲሰጥ ባቀረብነው ይግባኝ አቤቱታ መሰረት ይግባኝ ሰሚው ፍርድ ቤት ሰኔ 2014 ዓ.ም. በዋለው ችሎት የስር ፍርድ ቤትን ውሳኔ በመቀልበስ ደንበኞችን በመደበኛ የግድያ ወንጀል ልትጠየቅ እንደማይገባ ነገር ግን ከቀረበው ማስረጃ አንጻር መከሰስ ያለባት በውርጃ መሆን እንዳለበት በመግለጽ በዚህ አግባብ የእስር ጊዜው በወንጀለኛ ህጉ ላይ በተቀመጠው መሰረት ቅጣት ማቅለያ ተደርጎላት የአንድ አመት እስራት እንድትቀጣ በማለት በሰጠው ውሳኔ መሰረት ደንበኞችን ከመስከረም 2014ዓ.ም ጀምሮ እጂ ከተያዘበት ቀን አንስቶ የሚቆጠር እስራት እንድትቀጣ እንዲሁም የቀራትን ጊዜ በገደብ በእስር እንድትለቀቅ ውሳኔ ተሰጥቷል።