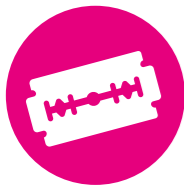


TODAY AROUND THE WORLD



214 MILLION women want to prevent or postpone pregnancy but do not have access to modern methods of contraception.

Around **25 MILLION** unsafe abortions are estimated to take place every year.



More than **200 MILLION** girls and women have been forced to undergo female genital mutilation (FGM).

EVERY DAY around **830 WOMEN** die from pregnancy or childbirth related complications.



4 IN 10 WOMEN aged 20-24 in sub-Saharan Africa are married before the age of 18.

1 IN 3 WOMEN

have experienced physical or sexual violence, mostly by an intimate partner.




[1]



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SEXUAL & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH & RIGHTS

INVESTING IN YOUTH

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS (SRHR) ARE HUMAN RIGHTS

All individuals have a right to make decisions governing their bodies and to access services that support that right. SRHR are based on the human rights of all individuals to:

- have their bodily **integrity**, privacy and personal autonomy respected
- freely define their own sexuality, including **sexual orientation** and **gender identity** and expression
- decide **whether** and **when** to be sexually active
- choose their **sexual partners**
- have **safe** and **pleasurable** sexual experiences
- decide **whether, when** and **whom** to marry
- decide **whether, when** and **by what means** to have a child or children, and **how many** children to have
- have access over their lifetimes to the **information, resources, services** and **support** necessary to achieve all the above, free from discrimination, coercion, exploitation and violence.

[2]

INVESTING IN SRHR



EDUCATION

Preventing child, early and forced marriage and ensuring access to voluntary contraceptive services allows girls to delay the age of pregnancy, and as a result attend and stay in school longer.



HEALTH & WELL-BEING

Fully meeting SRHR needs would result in 2.2 million fewer newborn deaths.

Every \$1 invested in family planning can save governments up to \$6.

[3]



SOCIAL PARTICIPATION

SRHR are the foundation for youth empowerment and gender equality.

Young people have a fundamental human right to participate in matters that affect their lives.

By being active members of society, young people can be actors of positive change.

UNLEASHING YOUTH POTENTIAL & PROMOTING GENDER EQUALITY



SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY

Every \$1 invested in meeting the unmet need for contraceptives yields as much as \$60 to \$100 in long-term benefits from economic growth [4].

An extra year of secondary schooling for girls can increase their future wages by 10 to 20% [5].