

# Voice of Afghan Women

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## Major Issues

- Violence against women
- Access to Justice
- Access to Education (38% of 8million Students)
- Health Services (> 60% have access to BPHS)
- Insufficient employment opportunities
- Weak engagement in economic activities
- Focus of attention only on major cities



## Recommendations- Justice

- Fight against violence become institutionalized in the system
- Create local support groups for women to access justice
- Public system should be gender sensitive and provide necessary services when needed (e.g increase female defense lawyers)
- Informal justice should have a limit and be closely connected with the formal justice

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## Recommendations- Education

- Special attention to equity in girls and women education
- Finding creative ways to ensure availability of female teachers in rural areas
- Having effective program on literacy and vocational training
- Include gender-equality program in Education curriculums

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## Recommendation- Health

- Improving access of maternal and newborn services
- Integrate gender in to the health system (e.g Improve recording system to capture violence)
- Train health providers on gender and gender based violence
- Increase public awareness through media and other effective programs

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## Recommendation- Employment

- Preparing girls and women for employment
- Making system accepting and accommodating
- Enabling system to create the opportunities for human resource development
- Developing policies to prevent violence in the in the environment

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## Recommendations: Economic opp

- Build the capacity of women to learn business
- Support women led businesses
- Connecting women with businesses in the region and in the world
- Finding market for women's business
- Develop Income Generation strategy for rural areas

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## Recommendations: Focus

- Supporting projects for women in rural Afghanistan
- Involving rural women in the design and implementation of the projects
- Policies that ensure participation of rural women
- Supporting women activist from rural areas