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Safe Delivery - Even Now: UNFPA Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Global Response Appeal

The unprecedented consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic and the restrictive measures imposed by most countries have negatively impacted access to lifesaving sexual and reproductive health services and response to gender-based violence in times when women and girls need these services most.

UNFPA is working to support governments and partners to prioritize the particular needs of women and girls of reproductive age, in line with the UNFPA transformative results to end unmet need for family planning, end preventable maternal deaths, and end gender-based violence and harmful practices by 2030.

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DR Congo: With Ebola on the wane, UN agencies prepare to combat coronavirus

UNFPA and the Government of Democratic Republic of the Congo are using an innovative approach to COVID-19, one that worked to reduce the heavy toll that the Ebola virus has taken on health workers while caring for infected patients in the high-risk settings of maternity wards and reproductive health centres. Through UNFPA support, midwives use Ebola training for an informed approach to the new pandemic.

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Joint funding from Sweden, Netherlands and Switzerland helps to expand women's protection services across Yemen

UNFPA welcomed the generous contribution of \$8 million from the Governments of Sweden, Netherlands and Switzerland to assist the most vulnerable women and girls with lifesaving protection services in nine governorates over the next two years.

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UN Population Fund sounds alarm over dire situation facing women and girls in Syria after 10 years of war

UNFPA expresses increasing concern about the women and girls trapped in the escalating humanitarian situation in Syria, especially in the northwest, where hostilities have caused mass displacement, human suffering and damage to civilian facilities.

Women and girls continue to bear the brunt of the crisis, struggling to survive and care for their children, as the conflict enters its 10th year.

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UNFPA Humanitarian Response in Yemen 2020

The humanitarian situation in Yemen remains the worst crisis in the world. An estimated six million women and girls of childbearing age (15 to 49 years) are in need of support.

To respond to immediate needs, the UN established a rapid response mechanism (RRM) to provide Yemenis with emergency lifesaving packages.

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Reporting on Gender-based Violence in Humanitarian Settings

For a journalist, covering the topic of gender-based violence (GBV) is a challenging undertaking. Their coverage, if not conducted under strict, professional standards, can be harmful to survivors in a multitude of ways. Produced by the UNFPA Arab States Regional Humanitarian Response Hub, this handbook was developed to help journalists report on GBV with greater ease and awareness. It provides essential information on the definition and root causes of GBV, in addition to a simple set of guidelines and best practices that facilitate the process and help journalists deliver stronger, more impactful stories on this essential topic.

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Responding to the needs of mothers affected by floods in Bundibugyo district

During natural disasters such as floods, pregnant women risk life-threatening complications without access to delivery and emergency obstetric care services. Safe pregnancy and childbirth, hygiene and dignity remain a priority for UNFPA.

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Local & inclusive: Women and girls with disabilities at the centre of emergency preparedness and response in the Pacific

Through the Asia Pacific Regional Prepositioning Initiative, supported by the Government of Australia, UNFPA, the International Planned Parenthood Federation and the Pacific Disability Forum, a unique partnership to support local alliances has been created.

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Pre-positioning life-saving supplies to improve disaster preparedness

UNFPA strategically pre-positions supplies in disaster-prone countries and regional hubs in the Asia-Pacific region to respond faster, better and more efficiently to humanitarian crises across the region. One of the ways UNFPA seeks to ensure that the needs of women and girls are met during humanitarian crises is through a regional initiative that supports the timely distribution of essential supplies by trained partners.

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Women and girls' centre is women's corner where we feel happy and important

In the past year, the Women and Girls' Centre in TRC Sedra, Bosnia and Herzegovina, provided 2,700 women and girl migrants and refugees with empowerment services including psychosocial support.

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