

# EGYPT'S RAPID RESPONSE ON WOMEN'S SITUATION DURING COVID19

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# WOMEN POLICIES

Egypt is the **first country globally to issue a rapid response policy** toward's women sitation during covid19

Egypt is also the **first country globally to issue a women policy tracker** (5 editions were launched)

**73.1% OF NURSING  
STAFF(PRIVATE SECTOR)**

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**42.4% OF HUMAN  
DOCTORS**

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**91.1% NURSING STAFF  
(MOH)**

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**56.8% OF FEMALE  
EMPLOYMENT IN SERVICES**

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**18.1% OF WOMEN ARE  
HEADS OF HOUSEHOLDS**



**WHY WOMEN?**



The background of the slide is an aerial photograph of a desert landscape, showing a mix of light and dark sandy terrain with some rocky patches. A horizontal yellow banner is positioned across the middle of the image, containing the text 'THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR WOMEN' in white, uppercase letters. The banner has a thin white border.

## THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR WOMEN

## THE ONLY NATIONAL WOMEN MACHINERY IN EGYPT

According to law no.30 year 2018, is the mandated national women's machinery in Egypt, to propose responsive policies to women needs, legislation, action plans as well as conduct training programs and awareness raising mechanism for women. It has 27 active local branches that work closely with communities and community women leaders. It has reached out to 52 million beneficiaries (outreach) on ground in the past 5 years.



## AFFECTED WOMEN SEGMENTS

- Women at **reproductive age**
- Women with **immune diseases or chronic diseases**
- **Elderly women; women in need** and with less access to urban services
- **Women with disabilities**
- Women with **health conditions** (pregnant/lactating women)





## AFFECTED WOMEN SEGMENTS

- **Women in fragile and informal work sectors including temporary contracted women, domestic workers, street vendors)**
- **Women at orphanage and elderly shelters**

# PILLARS OF SUGGESTED RESPONSE MEASURES

## IMPACT ON HUMAN ENDOWMENTS

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Health,  
education and  
social  
protection

## WOMEN'S VOICE & AGENCY

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Violence  
Against Women,  
Leadership and  
Representation in  
decision making

## IMPACT ON ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

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Medium term  
economic  
intervention to  
support women  
in need

## PROMOTING DATA AND KNOWLEDGE

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Support  
policy research &  
social innovation;  
monitoring &  
evaluating  
Public surveys



## EGYPT'S HIGHLIGHT

Women Policy tracker has tracked  
**165 policies/measures/decisions** taken by the  
Government of Egypt that are considerate to womens'  
needs (March 2020-January 2021)



**EXCEPTIONAL LEAVE  
FOR MOTHERS**

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**FAMILY PLANNING,  
CHRONIC DISEASE  
MEDICINE**

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**MEASURES FOR  
NURSING HOMES &  
SHELTERS**

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**CONDITIONAL CASH  
TRANSFER EXPANSION**

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**INCREASED MONTHLY  
INCOME FOR RURAL  
WOMEN**



**MEASURES**

**ALLOWANCES FOR  
MEDICAL STAFF**

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**500 CASH ALLOWANCES  
FOR IRREGULAR  
WORKERS (40% WOMEN)**

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**NCW IN IRREGULAR &  
INFORMAL WORKERS  
COMMITTEE**

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**EXCEPTIONAL SOFT  
LOANS**

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**REDUCE/POSTPONE  
MICROFINANCE  
INSTALEMENTS**

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**FUNDS TO SUPPORT MICRO  
& SMALL PROJECTS**



**MEASURES**



**BASIC FOODS SUPPLIES  
& COVID19 PROTOCOL TO  
PEOPLE IN NEED**

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**PSYCHOLOGICAL SUPPORT  
HOTLINES**

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**AWARENESS RAISING  
AND SOCIAL STIGMA**

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**MENTAL HEALTH  
ONLINE PROGRAMS**

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**MIGRANTS & REFUGEES  
ARE WITHIN THE HEALTH  
PROGRAMS OF EGYPT**



**MEASURES**

**ELECTRONIC FINANCIAL  
SERVICES (MEEZA & E-  
WALLETS)**

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**EGYPT'S HEALTH  
APPLICATION**

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**"WASEL" ICT SOLUTION  
FOR PEOPLE WITH  
DSIABILITIES**

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**DIGITIZED FINANCIAL  
TRAININGS**

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**INFORMATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE  
PROJECTS**



**MEASURES**



**VAW SURVEY & 34,000  
INQUIRY BY WCO**

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**FGM INTERVENTION &  
AMENDED LEGISLATIONS**

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**CYBER CRIME  
AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS**

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**FAMILY COURTS OPENED  
EXCEPTIONALLY**

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**MEASURES**

**FREE ID CARDS TO  
WOMEN IN NEED**

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**250,000 NEW UNITS FOR  
DECENT HOUSING**

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**WOMEN'S HEALTH  
PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVE**

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**MEASURES**



**POLICY PAPER ON  
CHILD CARE & WOMEN  
IN LABOR FORCE**

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**POLICY PAPER ON  
ELDERLY CARE & WOMEN  
IN LABOR FORCE**

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**POLICY PAPER ON CARE  
SERVICES & WOMEN  
PARTICIPATION IN LABOR  
FORCE**

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**SURVEY ON WOMEN  
ENTREPRENEURSMES  
ON THE CHALLENGES  
FACING THEM DUE TO  
THE COVID-19**

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**MEASURES**

# UN GLOBAL GENDER TRACKER

## **UN COVID19 Global Gender Response Tracker**

Egypt is the first country in the Middle East and Western Asia region to take 21 anti-Covid-19 measures,

Egypt is also the only in the region that has taken measures in the three areas referred to in the report, namely, economic protection for women, unpaid care, and combating violence against woman.



# UN RESOLUTION

## **UN Resolution on Strengthening rapid response to impact of COVID-19 on women & girls**

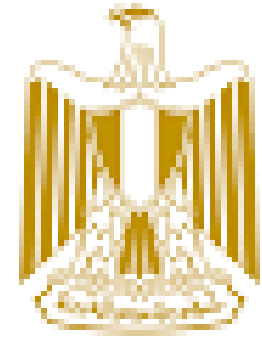
The United Nations “General Assembly” unanimously adopts an a resolution jointly proposed by Egypt, Alegria, China, Saudi Arabia & Zambia on Strengthening national and international rapid response to the impact of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) on women and girls

# WEF GENDER ACCELERATOR

**The NCW with The Ministry of International Cooperation & World Economic Forum launched the Closing Gender Gap Accelerator that will be contributing to 2 pillars:**

Impact on Economic Opportunities  
Promoting Data and Knowledge





**THANK YOU!**

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