

## Work shop report

(Lifting skills and capacity of civil associations to face sexual harassment,

### **'Project: Supporting girls to face sexual harassment'**

**Title of the workshop:** lifting skills and capacity of civil society associations to face sexual harassment

**Place of execution:** Egyptian association for disseminating and developing legal awareness

**Financial actor:** mama cash Dutch organization

**Executive actor:** Egyptian lawyers association

**Workshop target:** lifting skills and capabilities of the association's workers and volunteers to address sexual harassment issue, as well as evaluating the legal framework of sexual harassment. Especially poor and slum areas in matareya and ain shames region

### **Participants:**

The participants reach 14 participants from six civil associations matarya and ain shams region distributed according to the kind:

association	El-hana for women		Basmat amal		Habit el-kolob		Develop local society		Dar el salsabil and tasneem		Women and development friends	
	male	female	male	female	male	female	male	female	male	female	male	female
participants	0	3	0	2	1	1	0	3	0	3	1	0

### **Workshop events:**

In the framework of the legal awareness project that the association of Egyptian lawyers execute co-operated with mama cash organization,

holding the first workshop with civil associations in matareya and ain shams region to work on lifting the skills and capacities of the civil associations to counter the sexual harassment phenomena. This targeted maintaining the role these organizations to face the problem of sexual harassment inside Egyptian street for the sake of safe society for Egyptian women .the events had started with identifying the needs of these associations and proposals of its workers to work on facing this phenomena within the legal framework of associations to counter these practices that shame Egyptian society and exposing girls to psychological problems as a result to negative effects of such sexual harassment practices. The workshop had been executed at on of headquarters of civil associations "Egyptian association for disseminating and developing legal awareness. Fourteen participants had been attended (male, female) as representor of six associations in Matareya and ain shams region.

**Mr:hany ibrahim** (human development consultative ) had managed the workshop ,started the day with identifying the participants to each others ,welcoming them, and presenting the targets and programmes of the workshop .the day had been managed in atmosphere of open discussion and brain storming involved team works to ensure participating of all participants to reach the goal of workshop.

**The training day had included those points:**

- sexual harassment concept
- shapes and kinds of harassment
- the causes of sexual harassment
- causes of ignoring sexual harassment within society
- introduction and public presentation about harassment issues in Egypt
- evaluating the legal framework of sexual harassment phenomena

-recognize the needs of civil associations to work on the legal framework to counter harassment phenomena

**-participants (male, female) proposals:**

At the end of the workshop, the participants had represented their proposals of maintaining essential roles of interface if this phenomena whether at the level of state or civil society represented his individuals:

**State role in the face of the phenomena:**

-pressure campaigns to provide for sexual harassment penalty and emphasis the punishment of harassers

-awareness campaigns by media and watching the series, television programmes, and movies

-enhancing the role of clerics

-designing work places more safe with transparency way

-filling youth spare time with clubs, youth centers, and facilitating marriage

-the role of security forces in conservation security and emphasizing the punishment on the security forces who makes harassment practices

-Emphasizing the control of families of youth and their behaviors

**Civil society role in facing the phenomena:**

-Holding seminars and meeting with youth to disseminate their awareness of negative effects of sexual harassment and its risks

-Increasing behavior awareness within civil associations by seminars and certain meetings related to sexual harassment issues

-holding workshops disseminating the awareness of the issue risk and participating families with it

-concerning of civil associations with helping youth to share with activities which help them to use their spare time and utilize their capacities

-supplying civil societies with specialized lawyers dealing with harassment issues and complains

**Workshop outputs:**

-14 participants (male, female) had been disseminated their awareness with legal procedures to face of harassment

-8 recommendations had been applied from participants as alternatives to address sexual harassment

-networking six associations in matareya and ain shams region