

nt girl in Nepal. From July to March 2022 WOREC received 23 cases of adolescents requiring safe house support. Out of these, 65 % were due to pregnancy after rape and 86 % of girls were between 15-19 year age group. We know that rape is an outcome of harmful patriarchal norms and values that deny women and young women control over their own bodies. Denial of sexual rights creates a taboo towards sexuality, disproportionately affecting women and persons from gender and sexual minorities.

Comprehensive sexuality education is integral to helping women and persons of diverse