Gender-based violence (GBV) hinders women’s full participation in society and has a lasting negative impact on families, communities, and the overall development of the country. In 2021, the number of survivors of domestic violence was nearly three times higher than in 2015, with 96% of them being women.

From 2015 to 2021, the number of cases of domestic violence and issued temporary protection orders nearly tripled*.

In 2021, only 256 (2.5%) of the 10,151 reported domestic violence cases resulted in the initiation of judicial proceedings.

Temporary protection orders are issued in more than 90% of domestic violence cases.

From 2015 to 2021, the number of women surviving domestic violence increased 2.7 times*.

* In 2017, temporary protection orders were introduced and the capacities of law enforcement bodies to respond to domestic violence reports were expanded.
3 out of 4 survivors of domestic violence sought support at crisis centres in 2021

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In 2021, **15,696 people** sought support at crisis centres, including:

- **Women**: 12,559
- **Men**: 3,137

In 2021, domestic violence was the most common reason why women sought support at crisis centres:

- **Domestic violence**: 61% (women), 14% (men)
- **Divorce, division of property**: 15% (women), 9% (men)
- **Abduction for the purpose of marriage**: 2% (women), 0% (men)
- **Sexual violence**: 2% (women), 0% (men)
- **Other**: 20% (women), 77% (men)

80% of people seeking support in crisis centres are women

64% of people seeking support in crisis centres and other specialized institutions are women aged 18-39

In 2018, 12.9% of women were married before age 18. In rural areas, this rate is almost 2 times higher than in urban areas.

The birth rate among girls aged 15-19 has declined

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