Addressing Gender Based Violence

- Recognizing that women and girls are exposed to increased vulnerabilities and perils while persistently attempting onward movement alone, during August UNFPA has implemented a series of educational sessions with single and pregnant women focused on raising awareness on the intersection between GBV and high risk movement practices.

- In August, UNFPA’s support extended to two GBV survivors accommodated in Safe House facilities through Case management monitoring, psychological assistance, empowerment and dignity kits.
Unsafe and irregular movements bring about many negative life-long consequences predominantly affecting younger populations, this, however, disproportionately affects adolescent girls who are expected to take on responsibilities to support themselves and their families.

UNFPA is committed to supporting this particularly vulnerable group through inclusion in various empowerment and education activities, focusing on building resilience, improving literacy and life-skills.

Empowerment of youth

Supporting the LGBTQI+ population

Evident increase in TRC residents identifying as LGBTQI+

Identified need for support and information services

GBV support group organized for 5 LGBTQI+ members

2 gender identity and gender equality trainings organized for 18 young male participants
PARTICIPATORY ASSESSMENT: GBV risks and safety factors

Aim:

- identifying GBV related risks, concerns & safety factors.

Surveyed:

- residents of TRC Borici (8 women and 1 girl) & 11 adult male residents of TRC Miral.

THE MOST ALARMING INDICATOR OF THE ASSESSMENT RELATES TO SINGLE WOMEN TRAVELLING ALONE, FACING EXTREMELY HIGH THREAT OF GBV, INCLUDING RAPE AND TRAFFICKING

FINDINGS:

Respondents are reluctant to leave facility grounds due to frequent escalations of violence outside the center.

♀ Lack of security and privacy in bathrooms due to unlockable doors.

♂ Corridors and stairs are identified as highly unsafe places due to frequent gathering of crowds, pushing and shoving.

♀ The presence of security staff within the reception facility increases sense of safety.

♂ Facilities where agencies and Service for Foreigners’ Affairs work are identified as safe spaces.