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Here is what we were doing in April, May and June!



Youth Advocacy Institute with Medical Students Mumbai, India

We were joined by a dynamic group of 20 Medical Students from Mumbai and the Institute was held from 27th to 29th April 2017. The objective of the institute was to create a community of trained and sensitized Youth Champions who are also medical students and future providers, to have an understanding of access to safe abortion as a gender and sexual and reproductive rights, as well as human rights issue.



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Young women
in the **PHILIPPINES** should
not be forced to
continue unwanted
pregnancies.

#EVERYWOMANEVERYCOUNTRY

#MAY28

#EveryWomanEveryCountry

Celebrating May 28th The International Day of Action for Women's Health we launched a campaign #EveryWomanEveryCountry. The campaign aimed at highlighting obstacles and stigma women face in accessing safe abortion services and reminding the policy makers that women everywhere have the right to SRHR, which includes access to safe abortion.

Please find the pictures [here](#).

We also released a short advocacy film marking this day, [watch here](#)!

Activities by Youth Networks

Vietnam Youth Action for Choice led two campaigns celebrating May 17th International Day against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia and May 28th International Day of Action for Women's Health.

IDAHOT Campaign: #coloryournails

To join in the IDAHOT movement globally and emphasize the message of love and family: “**Love makes a family**”, VYAC conducted the #coloryournails campaign which asked all members and other friends in Hue and Hanoi to color their nails with 6 colors that represents LGBT flag. After that VYAC had collected all the photos and posted them on VYAC fanpage. **Please check the photos [here](#).**



May 28 Campaign: #may28

To join in the #May28 global campaign, VYAC conducted the photo sharing activity which asked all members in Hue and Hanoi to write down their message on safe abortion, family planning and gender-based violence against women. After that VYAC had collected all the photos and posted them on VYAC fanpage. Please check the photos [here](#).

10 photos were taken and posted on Facebook to emphasize women's health and rights to sexuality and reproductive health.



abortion quality, Wilton Park, England

A meeting on 'Advancing measurement of abortion quality' was held at Wilton Park, West Sussex, England from Monday 15 – Wednesday 17 May 2017. This meeting was organized by Metrics for Management, Ipas, Ibis Reproductive Health. Suchitra Dalvie, Coordinator ASAP was invited to join this meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to review frameworks for approaching abortion quality measurement and reach agreement on the aspects of abortion service provision to be measured, the domains of quality to be assessed and outcomes of interest.

We agreed that the two main domains of any such quality measurements would be clinical service checklist vs. women's expectations. We speak of post abortion contraception but what about post contraception abortion? Why do large funded programmes like FP 2020 assume that receiving contraception is the full stop?? Don't even the best contraceptives fail? What do we do to ensure that those women have a back- up service so that she does not have an unwanted pregnancy?

The Center for Reproductive Rights started its network called South Asia Reproductive Justice and Accountability (SARJAI) in 2012 to build partnership with lawyers and to develop and undertake strategic litigation aimed at addressing women's rights. Every year, they organize workshop with lawyers from Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Philippines.

In this year, SARJAI Regional Workshop was organized to share information on existing efforts and kick off a new round of legal advocacy efforts including evidence gathering on reproductive rights violations and legal and policy mappings, litigations, legislative and policy advocacy, and engagement with national human rights institutions.

ASAP Youth Champion and Steering Committee member Anika Binte Habib represented ASAP at the workshop, she shared the objective of our works and how the networks from Asian Countries are working collaboratively and collectively to ensure women's rights and safe abortion rights. In this session, ASAP's advocacy works was shared in detail.

Training and Awareness Program in Sri Lanka

Youth Advocacy Network Sri Lanka (YANSL) with support from ASAP conducted SRHR training and awareness programs with youth from five districts in North Sri Lanka. The main activities conducted were group consultation meetings in the project areas and capacity building training for PYEN active members.



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