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❖ Events

1) 10th Asia Pacific Conference on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
During the month of July three webinars were conducted to commemorate the 10th APCRSHR. The topics that were discussed includes; Addressing Barriers to Accelerate progress on SHR in Asia Pacific, Accelerating Rights and Choices for all in a post-COVID Asia and Pacific and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in the Pacific.

❖ Social Media Campaigns

1) Comprehensive sexuality education.
During the month of July, a social media campaign was conducted to raise awareness on comprehensive sexuality education. In these posts the common myths surrounding CSE were addressed in relation to statistical data and information.

2) The ministerial election.
The ministerial election was held in August and a social media campaign was carried out to encourage women to vote. The importance of an individual’s vote to bring positive change in the society and most importantly a positive change in the area of sexual and reproductive health and rights was highlighted.
3) World Day against Trafficking of Persons.
The World Day against Trafficking of Persons falls on the 30th of July. On this day YANSL shared several posts to create awareness on human trafficking both inside and outside the country and its legal consequences.

The Month of August

❖ Events

1) 10th Asia Pacific Conference on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
Three webinars of the 10th APCRSHR was conducted during the month of August. The topics that were discussed are as follows. Young people and sexual and reproductive health and rights in Asia and Pacific, Youth Engagement for the sexual and reproductive health and rights action in Asia and Pacific and climate change and reproductive rights in Asia and Pacific.

✦ Social Media Campaigns

1) International Youth Day

The International Youth Day falls on the 12th of August every year. Youth Advocacy Network Sri Lanka partnered with Family Planning Association (FPA) of Sri Lanka and International Youth Alliance for Family Planning (IYAFP) for an online social media campaign. Youth members from the three organizations shared their thoughts on the topic youth engagement for the global action”.

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Projects

1) SEX ED 101

Sex Ed 101 is a project carried out by the Rotaract Club of Panadura in Collaboration with Youth Advocacy Network Sri Lanka. On the 8th of August a webinar was conducted on the topic HIV and AIDS and the project was facilitated by Priskila Arulpragasm and Shelani Palihawadane of Youth Advocacy Network Sri Lanka.

The Month of September

Events

1) 10th Asia Pacific Conference on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
Three webinars of the 10th APCRSHR was held in the month of September. The topics that were discussed are as follows. Innovative financing for sexual and reproductive health and rights in Asia and Pacific, population and ageing and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Asia and Pacific and Safe Abortion and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Asia and Pacific.

Social Media Campaigns

1) International Safe Abortion Day
The International Safe Abortion Day falls on the 28th of September. Youth Advocacy Network Sri Lanka conducted a social media campaign to advocate on the issue of unsafe abortions in Sri Lanka and across Asia.
Projects

1) Sexuality and Prevention of Sexual Violence
Three sessions on sexuality and prevention of sexual violence was conducted in collaboration with The Foundation Institute for Sustainable Development (FISD) during the month of September. Desaree Soysa from Youth Advocacy Network Sri Lanka conducted the sessions for children that were categorized into three groups according to their age. Two groups comprised of children below the age of eleven years and one group comprised of children between eleven years and eighteen years. The sessions were conducted in Rambewa located in the district of Anuradhapura.
Major Projects and Updates

❖ Phase 03 - Historical and Political Trajectory of Legalizing Safe Abortion in Sri Lanka

Phase three of the project was conducted and finalized during the quarter. In this phase the project coordinators: Desaree Soysa and Tharindi Devasurendra collected five stories of unplanned pregnancies that were recorded during the lockdown period. The project coordinators documented the five stories as social media posts in all three major languages used in Sri Lanka. Furthermore they documented the stories as blog posts and a video which had to be put on hold due to the second wave of Covid 19 and the sudden lockdown.

❖ We Hear You

Project We Hear You is another major projects conducted by Youth Advocacy Network Sri Lanka. Currently a website is being developed. The website includes data and information on sexual and reproductive health and rights and the website is friendly for people living with hearing disabilities. The project coordinator is Shelani Palihawadane.

❖ Amplifier Change

The project coordinator Sanjanee Ambegoda is working on a survey to be conducted among law students and legal practitioners in order to understand their understanding, ideas and ideologies on sexual and reproductive health and rights and law reforms surrounding SRHR.