

**SEAYN** 5<sup>th</sup> Webinar on COVID-19 prevention and response

# ***Sexual and Gender-Based Violence and COVID-19***

***The contribution of RCY***

***Thursday 7 May 2020***

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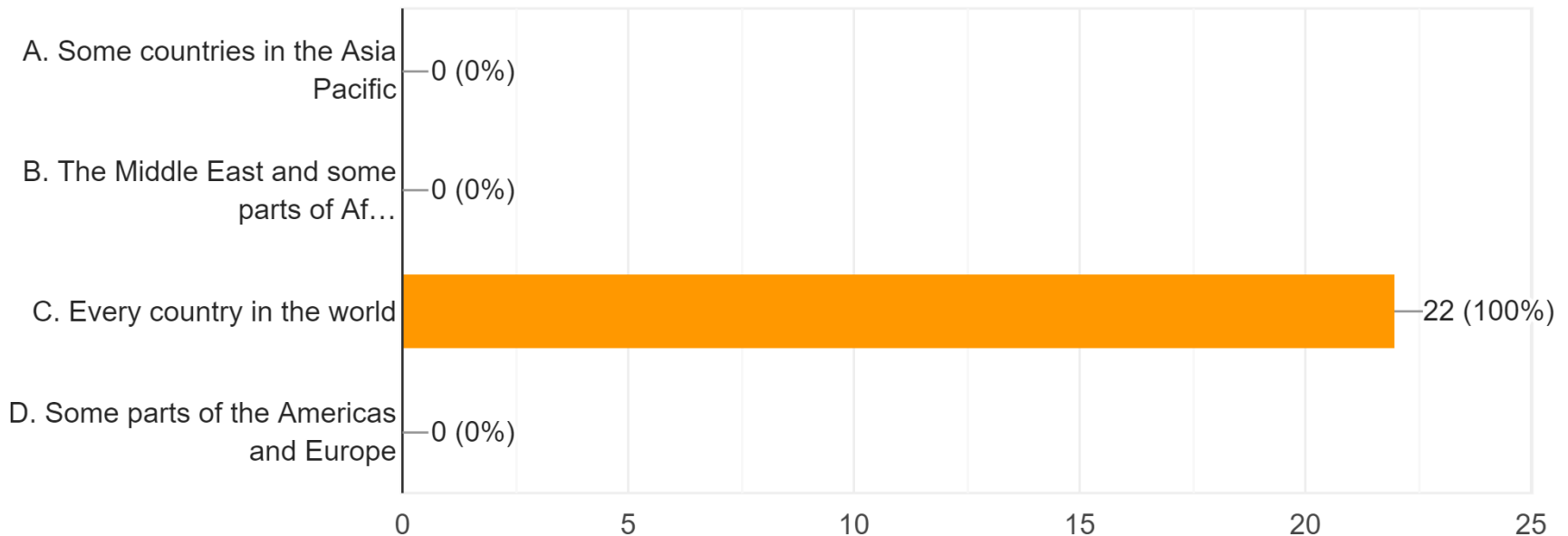
**1. Sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) is a growing health and humanitarian issue in which parts of the world?**

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- a. Some countries in the Asia Pacific
- b. The Middle East and some parts of Africa
- c. Every country in the world
- d. Some parts of the Americas and Europe

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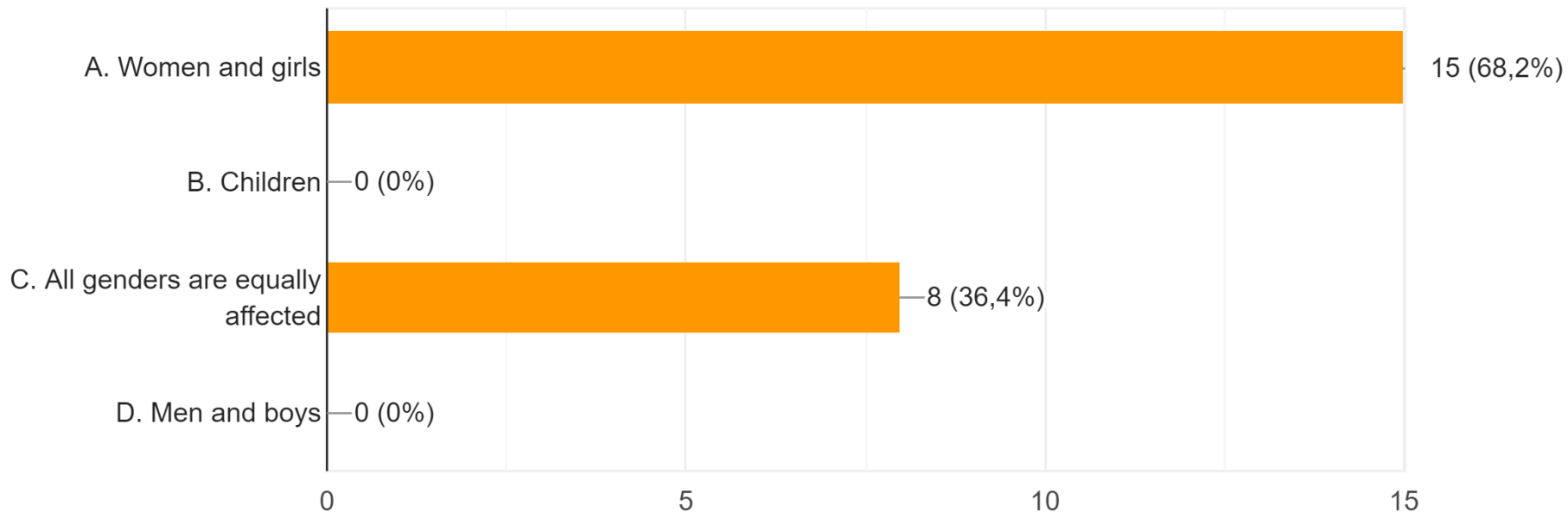
***2. Which group is predominantly affected by SGBV?***

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- a. Women and girls
- b. Children
- c. All genders are equally affected
- d. Men and boys

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**A. Women and girls**

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## *Power*

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Who traditionally holds **power** in society and why?

- Not about who is actually “stronger” or “more powerful”
- Cultural norms define who is given authority, who has what roles in society, and how people are expected to behave

## Gender

**Socially defined**

**Masculine/ Feminine**

**Culturally and socially learned behavior. It can change through life, within and between cultures, traditions, and beliefs**

**Spectrum; Degrees of masculinity and femininity or gender non-conforming based on society and cultural perspectives**



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***3. True or false: Sexual and gender-based violence is a term used to refer to any physical harm caused by another person but does not include forms of mental and verbal abuse.***

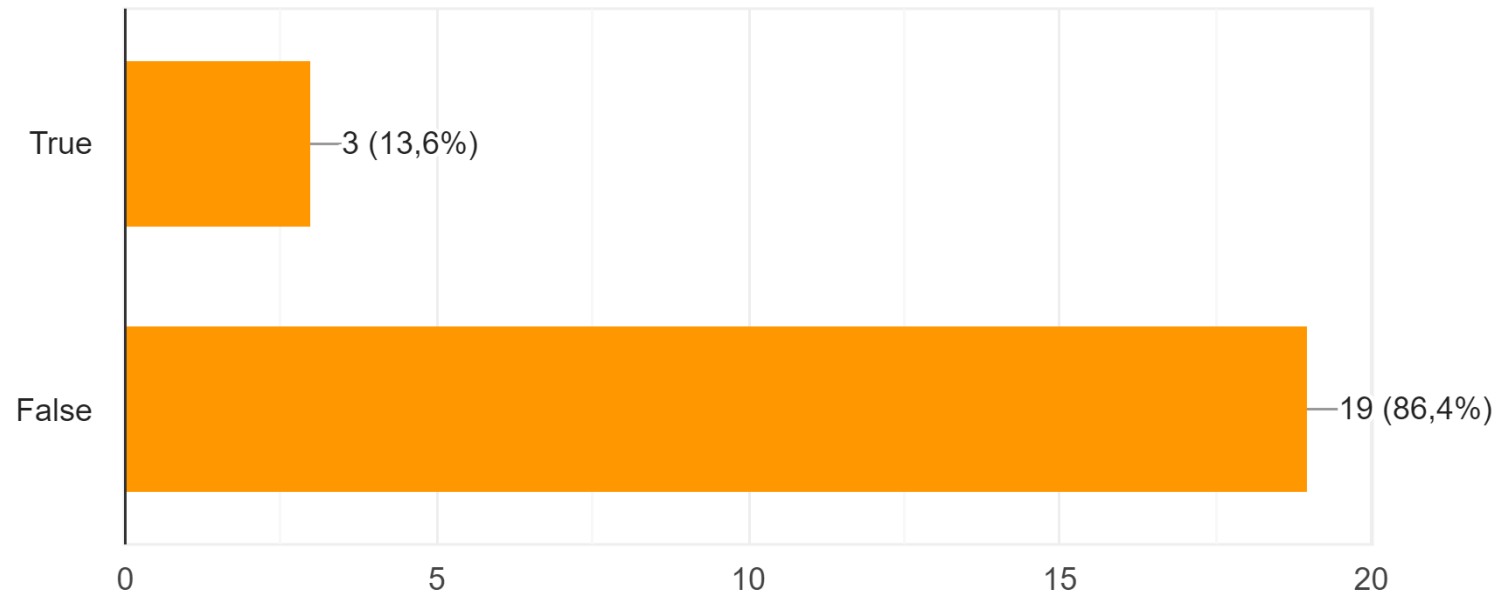
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a. True

b. False

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**False**

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## ***Defining Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV)***

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*“any harmful act that results in, or is likely to result in, physical, sexual or psychological harm or suffering to a person on the basis of their gender. **Sexual and GBV is a result of gender inequality and abuse of power.**”* It includes, but is not limited to:

**sexual violence**

**domestic  
violence**

**trafficking for  
sexual  
exploitation or  
domestic slavery**

**sexual  
harassment**

**forced or early  
marriage**

**harmful  
traditional  
practices**

**gender-based  
discrimination  
(e.g. denial  
service access)**

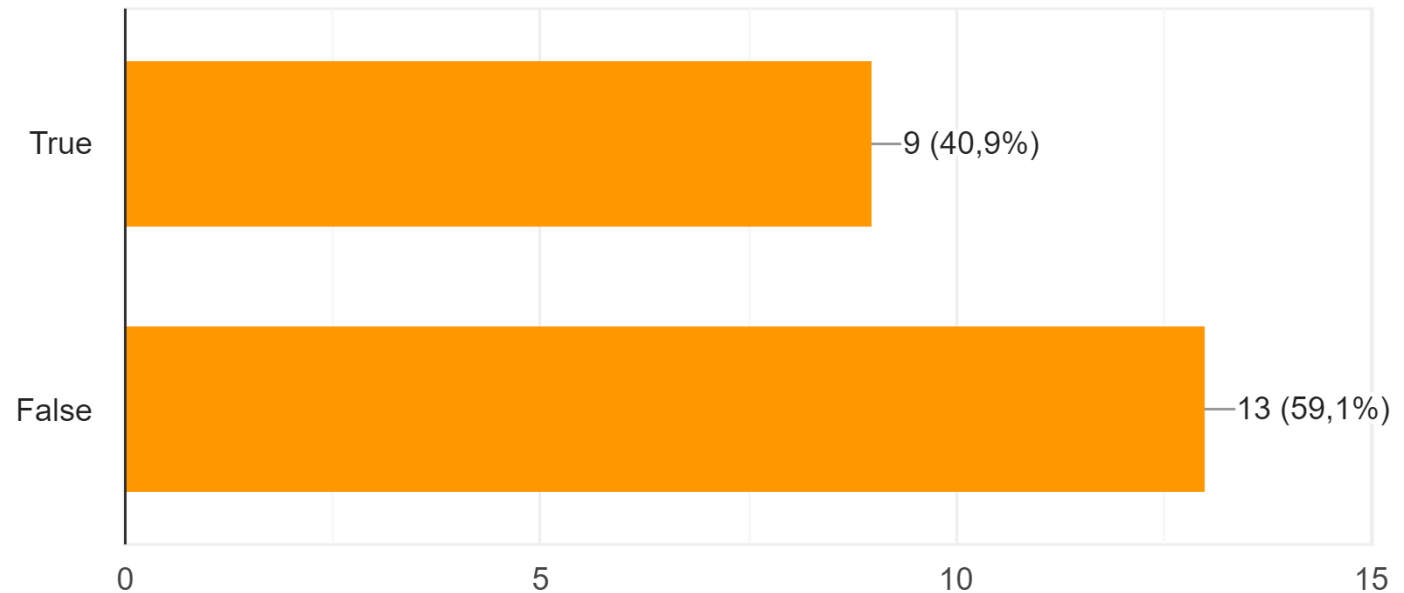
**forced  
prostitution**

***4. We can't always be sure that SGBV is happening in our community. We should wait to hear stories or published data about its prevalence before we do anything; in this way, we use our time and resources more wisely.***

- a. True
- b. False

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**False**

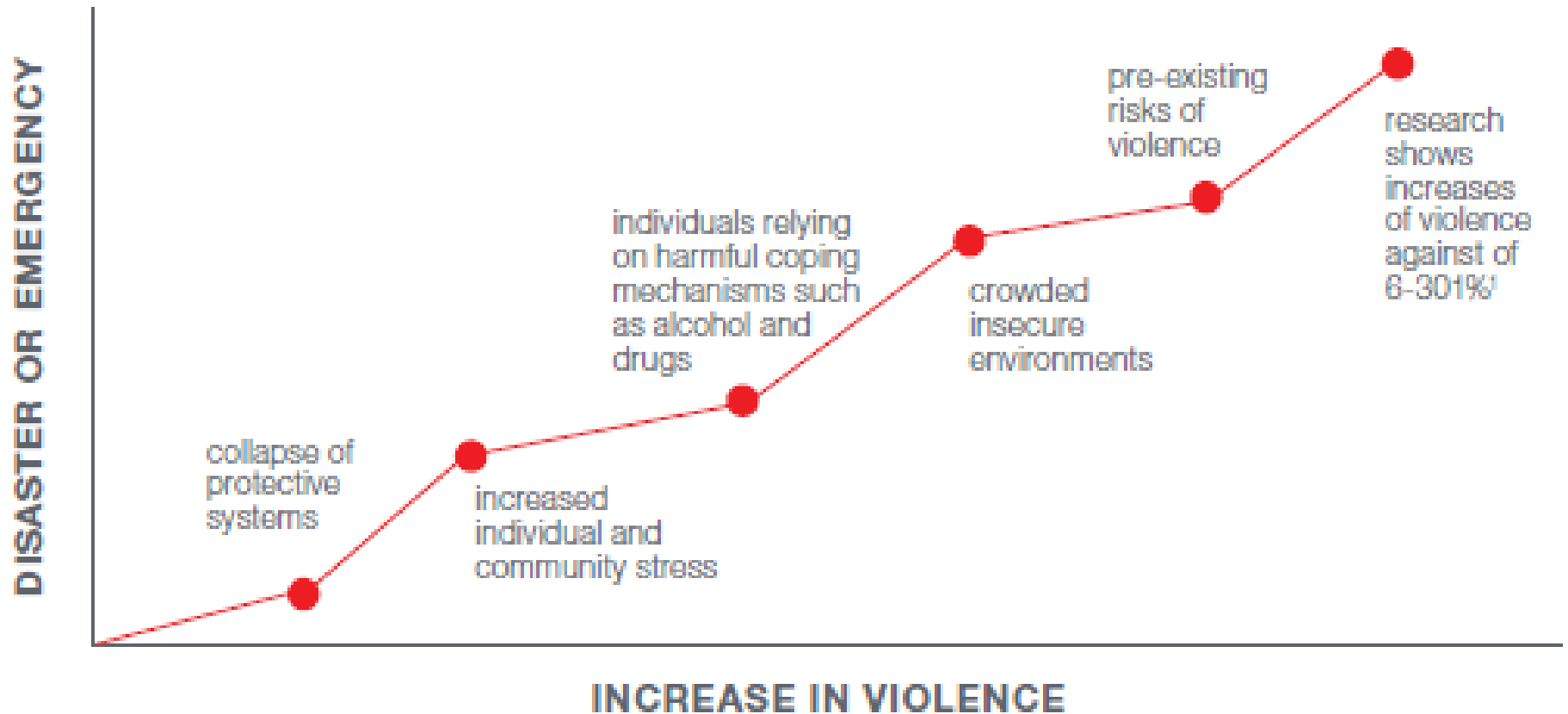
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## ***IFRC* report: risks of sexual and gender-based violence rise after a disaster**

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## RISKS FOR SGBV INCREASES IN EMERGENCIES



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***5. What may be the best way to support someone whom you think might be experiencing SGBV?***

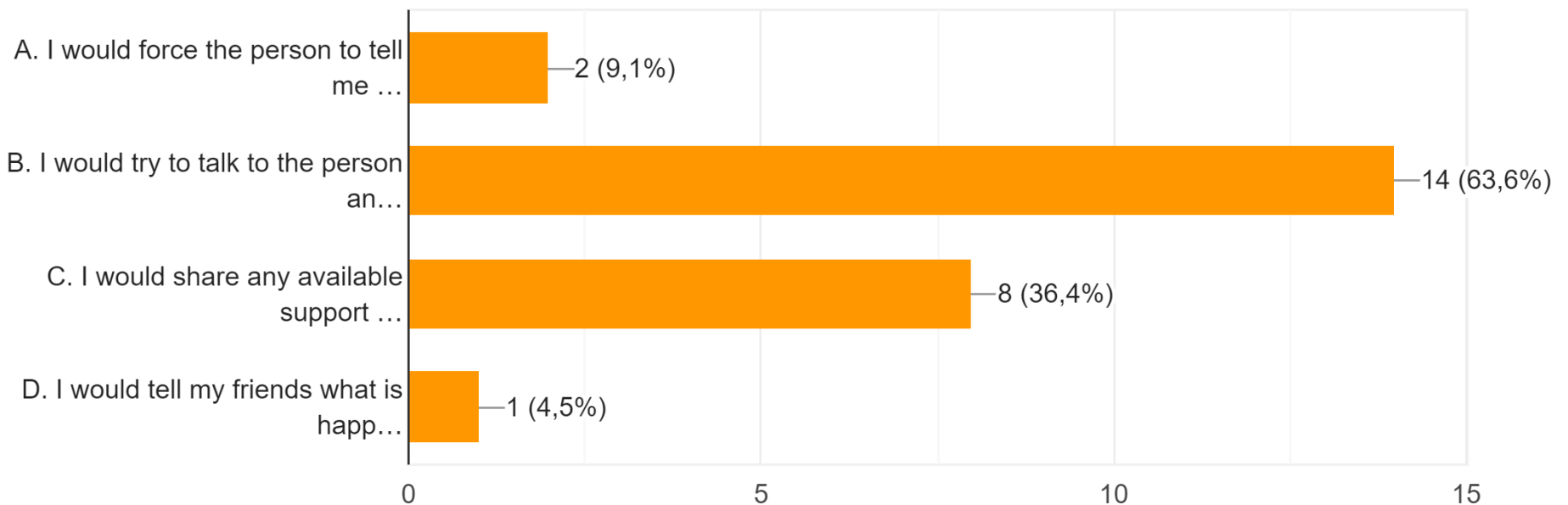
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- a. I would force the person to tell me the truth, only in this way I can really help!
- b. I would try to talk to the person and offer advice
- c. I would share any available support anonymously
- d. I would tell my friends what is happening and ask what they think I should do



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**C. I would share any available support anonymously**

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## ***What to do and what NOT to do***

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### **DO**

- Respect confidentiality
- Believe and validate survivor's experience
- Share service information that is available and VERIFIED
- Provide information (NOT ADVICE!)

### **DO NOT**

- Seek out survivors
- Ask or pressure survivor for details
- Trivialize or minimize
- Refer to services that cannot provide confidential respectful care
- Ignore survivor's safety
- Blame the survivor!
- Tell the survivor what to do!

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## ***DO NO HARM – the survivor-centred approach***

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Recognises that:

- Each person is unique
- Each person reacts differently to SGBV and will have different needs as a result
- Each person has different strengths, resources and coping mechanisms
- Each person has the right to decide who should know about what has happened to them and what should happen next.

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# COVID-19/ VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

During the #COVID19 pandemic, risks of violence increase due to:

- More time at home with abusers
- Rising stress
- Isolation from social support networks
- Limited access to critical services

## Make a **safety plan** for you and your children:

If you are experiencing violence at home and need to leave in a hurry

**Identify** a friend, neighbour, relative, or shelter you can go to



**Plan** how to get there



**Keep ready** essential personal items to take with you



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## **SEAYN in action!**

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Development of Information, Education and Communication (IEC) material to be distributed at:

- Regional Level: SEAYN, IFRC
- National Level: SEAYN members coordinate within their National Societies to make the material context-specific, to translate it in their National language(s) and disseminate it through their national networks

→ **SEAYN Communications Task Force**

Further suggestions? Ideas? Question?



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***Thank You!***

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