

Women's Rehabilitation Centre (WOREC)

ABOUT US

Women's Rehabilitation Centre (WOREC) is a nonprofit, nongovernmental organization working for the protection and promotion of human rights. Established in 1991, WOREC is one of the leading national organizations that works to prevent violence against women, its causes and consequences, and ensures the economic, social, and cultural wellbeing of women and other marginalized groups by promoting their access to rights and social justice. WOREC started her work with an objective to prevent trafficking in women and children and advocate for the rights of survivors, whereas in the course of work, with the realization that trafficking is one among various other outcomes of women's rights violations, WOREC started to work from the broader perspective for women's right. Being an organization guided by feminist values, WOREC believes that empowering women to control their bodies, sexuality, and reproduction is a key to enabling women to exercise their rights.

WOREC, together with grassroot women and other community groups, has been running community-based women's health and counseling centers, model farms based on bio-intensive farming concepts, and advocating for political participation, and equal representations. In the last 31 years of its work, WOREC has been successful in facilitating the establishment of survivors-led powerful organizations and networks that plays the role of catalyst to change different national policies such as policy against trafficking, women's right to mobility and decent work, national policy to address uterine prolapse, law to facilitate safe abortion, domestic violence law, integrated pest management, organic farming, property right and several other progressive policies on women's right.



Vision

A society where feminist aspiration to social, political and economic transformation becomes a reality.

Mission

WOREC continues campaigns of collective feminist action to advance women's human rights, ending all forms of structural discriminations.

Strategic Objectives

- 1. To facilitate women of diversity for realizing and ensuring right to food, right to health and right to work and enhanced access to justice.
- 2. To infl uence enabling environment for gender responsive inclusive governance.
- 3. To bridge capacities of women and girls so that they are able to make informed self-decision, right to choice, and bodily integrity.
- 4. To establish/strengthen WOREC as feminist resource center for social movement.

OUR PROGRAMS

The work of WOREC focuses on three campaigns -Violence against Women (VAW), Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ESCR), and Human Rights and Social Justice campaign. Intervention, support, and advocacy works are held regularly to reach out to women and other marginalized communities and facilitate their access to rights and justice.

Theory of Change

Facilitation to Capacity Enhancement Knowledge Building

Networking

Affirmative Environment Governance with Gender Responsive Policies and Programs

Feminist Aspirations Enjoyed

A. Violence against Women Campaign

WOREC's experience has revealed that only a multi-pronged approach, which addresses the numerous and complex causes of women trafficking and all other forms of VAW, is effective in eliminating the unequal power relations and achieving human rights for all Nepali girls, women, and marginalized groups. WOREC implements activities to break the silence relating to violence and ensure justice for the survivors of GBV to lead their lives with dignity and human rights by building their capacity and advocating for and creating the environment for it. In 2005, WOREC facilitated a common platform known as Women Human Rights Defenders (WHRD) for women working in human rights to come together and advocate for their rights and security. The campaign focuses on capacity building of WHRDs, dissemination of information, documentation in giving visibility to the violence against WHRDs, advocacy on legal recognition of WHRDs with grassroots and national level changes, and support mechanisms and networking.

B. Economic Social and Cultural Rights (ESCR) Campaign

WOREC has been advocating and promoting economic, social, and cultural rights (ESCR) of women and marginalized and vulnerable communities from the right-based approach. The campaign aims to ensure women's rights to enjoy the highest attainable standard of physical, mental, and reproductive health, right to food, and right to mobility for sustainable livelihood and dignified lives.

C. Human Rights and Social Justice Campaign

The human rights and Social Justice campaign aims to enhance the capacity of the community to take leadership in promoting a culture of peace and human rights. Raising awareness on ending the impunity and inclusive constitution is the major strategic issue of the campaign.



OUR NETWORKS

WOREC is a founder of various national networks like the Alliance against Trafficking of Women and Children (AATWIN) and the National Alliance of Women Human Rights Defenders (NAWHRD). We also work actively with many other national and international networks and coalitions worldwide.

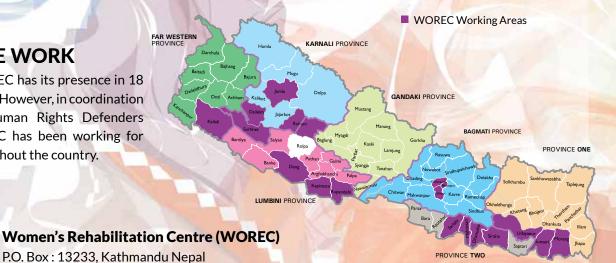
National Networks

- Human Rights Alliance (Alliance Nepal)
- Alliance against Trafficking of Women and Children (AATWIN)
- National Alliance of Women Human Rights **Defenders** (NAWHRD)
- Human Rights Treaty Monitoring Coordination Committee
- National Network for Safe Migration
- NGO Federation
- Alliance for Human Rights and Social Justice
- **Right to Food Network**
- Nepal SDGs Forum

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International Networks

- Global Alliance against Traffic in Women (GAATW)
- Migrant Forum in Asia (MFA)
- Asia Pacific Forum for Women, Law, and Development (APWLD)
- Women Human Rights Defenders International Coalition (WHRD-IC)
- Association for Human Rights in Development (AWID)
- Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (FORUM-ASIA)
- ESCR-Net
- Women Major Group (SDGs)
- Isis-WICCE
- Women 2030



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WHERE WE WORK

At present, WOREC has its presence in 18 districts of Nepal. However, in coordination with Women Human Rights Defenders Network, WOREC has been working for the people throughout the country.