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PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project title	Fore-Fronting Our Agenda- Speak Out Loud (FoFa- SOL)				
Name and address of the organization	Greater Women Initiative for Health and Right (GWIHR) No. 23 Umuhu Ezichi Street Off Health Center Road, World Bank Housing Estate, Umuahia, Abia State.				
Project location(s)	17 LGAs of Abia State				
Project start date	01/04/2022	Project end date	30/09/2022	Number of days elapsed (if any) :	
Financial situation					
Total cost of the project 61 644 €	Amount of the PISCCA grant	55 466 €			
	Contribution of the beneficiary	6 178 €			
	Co-funding (if any) :	NA			
	Amount disbursed at the time of the report	... €			

Documents to be provided

- Annex 1 Invoices (copies) and contracts (if any)
- Annex 2Ex: Pictures, few words from participants and beneficiaries, training guidelines, briefing notes, monitoring report or any relevant document.

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1. PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

The aim of this first part is to summarize the implementation of your project, in relation to what was planned in the project proposal: the results observed, the difficulties encountered and the measures put in place to overcome them. The expected elements concern as well: the monitoring and steering your project, the activities carried out as well as the partnerships.

1.1. Activities implemented during the reporting period

- As described below, **please provide an overview of project progress during the reporting period** by using quantitative data, figures and indicators, but also qualitative information on the impact of the project. How the project has produced or failed to produce the expected results during the reporting period (refer to the initial project proposal and report on the same expected results) and achieved or not the objectives?

Please fill in the following format

Please provide an assessment on whether the overall objective of the project have been met, basing your answer on a detailed explanation and referring to the initial project proposal.

Specific Objective 1: Conduct advocacies to shape institutional accountability for existing laws and policies upholding the rights of sex workers in Abia State.

GWIHRS' bid to conduct advocacies to shape institutional accountability for existing laws and policies upholding the rights of sex workers in Abia State was met because the organization successfully:

- ❖ Completed the institutional mapping of 17 police divisions where her 17 police human right desk officers were mapped, verified and an accessible directories of police divisions developed for easy and effective collaboration in addressing violence among sex workers operating in Abia State. In addition, the organization leveraged these directories to reach 120 field police officers with sensitization workshops at four (4) different police divisions, where other police stations in across the 17 LGAs were consolidated with a priority focus of strengthening the relationship between the police and sex workers which increased their active participation in protecting and upholding the human rights of sex workers in Abia State. Furthermore, to ensure a perceived response to these sensitization visits, GWIHR also visited the Abia State Commissioner of Police to strengthen the relationship between GWIHR and the Police hence, her support also helped influenced the involvement of field police officers in the State in upholding the voice of sex workers, which reduced and addressed harassment and discriminatory attitudes towards sex workers in Abia State within this implementation period.
- ❖ Led advocacies to the Ministry of Women's Affairs and other women-led organizations with the "ask" for an increased inclusion of sex workers in the feminist movement, which helped in changing the narrative that sex workers' job choices should deprive them of their fundamental right of being a woman in the State. In addition, the organization led advocacies to the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) in the bid to strengthen the effective use of the VAPP Law in the State because its uneven use significantly affects sex workers' existence in the State which the NHRC coordinator commended the organization and went live on radio channels to deliberate this and promoted its scale-up and use in the State. Furthermore, led advocacies to the Ministry of Health with the "ask" of providing stigma-free services to sex workers who are survivors of violence across the primary health centers in the State which the Department of Community Health in the Ministry to action to this effect. Finally, GWIHR visited the Abia State Law Reform and Review Commission (ASLRRC) and initiated processes on the reform of laws and policies that do not guarantee sex workers' access to justice and Sexual and Reproductive health services.
- ❖ Organized sexism sensitization workshop for the Community Stakeholders, including Media, where 40 participants (34 community members and 6 media representatives) were educated and sensitized

on the issues and effects of stereotyping, discrimination, and marginalization of sex workers. In addition, during this meeting, GWIHR condemned the media's misinformation, misrepresentation, and misinterpretation of sex workers on newspapers, radio, television, and social media, which have impacted negatively on the mental health and general well-being. At the end of the briefs, participants made inputs and expressed their views as follows:

- The Media person representing the Guardian Newspapers in Abia State expressed his joy about this initiative through the French Embassy, which has entirely changed his mind set and perception about sex workers. To this end, he pledged his support to never publish derogatory and discriminatory news about sex workers without prior investigations to generate verified facts.
- A representative of the sex workers' leaders commended the workshop organizers and thanked the Embassy of France for their outstanding work through GWIHR. In her speech, she tagged the seminar as an "eye-opener" and a roadmap towards ending all forms of discrimination against sex workers towards achieving an all-inclusive "human rights equality and fairness for all" in Abia State.

Key Deliverables/Output Indicators of Objective 1

Throughout the months of this project implementation, GWIHR achieved the following quantitative output indicators from the activities conducted that contributed to Objective 1 :

- ✓ 17 police stations mapped and identified
- ✓ 108 field police officers across the 17 LGAs reached with sensitization workshop in upholding and protecting the rights of sex workers, especially the survivors.
- ✓ 34 stakeholders engaged in a sexism sensitization workshop
- ✓ 6 media personnel engaged in a sexism sensitization workshop
- ✓ 12 Advocacy visits conducted to the National Human Rights Commission, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Women Affairs, and Abia state Law Reform and Review Commission.

Specific Objective 2: Increase awareness of 1500 sex workers on sex work-related laws and human rights.

To justify the achievement of our specific objective 2 , GWIHR successfully :

- ❖ Identified and trained 17 selected female sex workers as paralegals to strengthen their capacity on gender-based violence responses mechanisms, increase their understanding of their legal and human rights, sex work-related laws, the VAPP ACT, alternative dispute resolution approaches, and how to seek restitution and access justice when their rights are violated. Given this increased knowledge, GWIHR-trained paralegals organized several human rights peer education sessions and were able to reach 1889 sex workers (24 transgender and 1865 female sex workers) with human rights education, sex work-related laws, the VAPP Law and other relevant/ key messages that reduces their vulnerability to abuse across the 17 LGAs of Abia State. In addition, during these months of project implementation, GWIHR paralegals, with the support of the GBV focal person , NHRC and FIDA, documented and handled eighty-two (82) violence cases comprising physical, emotional, sexual, and gender-based violence cases against female and transgender sex workers.
- ❖ Organized an advocacy capacity building for 34 sex workers and key opinion leaders to become trainers of trainees (ToT) in their various communities. During this training, they were educated, enlightened, and have their knowledge built on community empowerment, power walk on sex workers' rights, advocacy concepts, art advocacies, and approaches todigital advocacies. Apart from other sex workers whose knowledge was built in the community through step-down training, the positive impact of this training was also felt during the organization's collective advocacy to the Ministry of Women Affairs and Commissioner of Police which participants of the advocacy training was included which helped in unifying the advocacy voices of the sex workers' community towards created the anticipated change and achieving the advocacy ask.

- ❖ Held several Focus Group Discussions with sex workers to co-create 245 pertinent Information, Communication and Education (IEC) policy briefs, statements, and other messages targetted at reducing GBV, stigma, and discrimination and promote the fundamental human rights of sex workers in Abia State. GWIHR team ensured the 3650 IEC materials were printed in different languages, such as English, Pidgin, and Igbo, the most widely spoken and written languages in Abia State, before sharing them across social media, hotspots and public spaces during the commemoration of significant dates.

Key Deliverables/ Output Indicators of Objective 2

During the reporting period, GWIHR achieved the following output indicators from activities conducted that contributed to Objective 2:

- ✓ 17 sex workers were trained as paralegals
- ✓ 1889 sex workers reached with human rights education (1865 and 24 female and transgender sex workers, respectively)
- ✓ 82 cases of violence reported, documented, and handled
- ✓ 34 sex workers' key opinion leaders' capacity built on advocacy skills
- ✓ 245 human right education and awareness IEC materials co-created by sex workers
- ✓ 3,650 IEC matrials co-created printed and disseminated

Specific Objective 3: Improve the livelihood of 22 sex workers in Abia State

The organization's mandate to achieve Specific Objective 3 was successfully because GWIHR :

- ❖ Identified 22 sex workers across the 17 LGAs who willingly showed signs of learning skills. Under GWIHR guidance, the organization helped the selected beneficiaries recognize experienced and professional master trainers within their proximity to train them on different income-generating skills (IGS). To keep track of these beneficiaries through the learning period, the GWIHR monitoring and evaluation team regularly visited the beneficiaries at their respective skills learning locations to assess their level of performance in punctuality, attentiveness, and knowledge gain. Moreso, GWIHR organized a one-day "SHOW ME YOUR SKILLS SESSION" with the beneficiaries to allow them to practice what they have learned without any form of assistance from their master trainers, which was also used in determining the extent to which beneficiaries have learned and their eligibility to whether to be given start-up trade tools or not.
- ❖ Provided 10 sex workers who are survivors of violence with emergency shelter for 2 weeks in her emergency safe house in Akwa-Ibom State. During their stay, the organization provided them with clothing and food support. In addition, the organization utilized the services of her professional psychologist through differentiated approaches such as face-to-face counseling, community-level psycho-education, and psychotherapy sessions in providing mental health and psychosocial services to 35 sex workers including those accommodated in the safe house after intense therapy and motivational interviews geared towards preventing further trauma-related issues.
- ❖ Distributed start-up trade tools to 22 beneficiaries of various skills, who all showed gratitude and confessed the initiative has enhanced their decision-making skills, and negotiation power for safer sex, resulting in preventative health and human right response in their respective lives. During this ceremony, the Executive Director of GWIHR advised the beneficiaries to use the start-up trade tools well and ensure they re-train other community members within their communities. Furthermore, during the event, the stakeholders present immensely appreciated the French Embassy and gave their goodwill and encouraging messages to the organization and its beneficiaries as follows:
 - a. The National Human Rights Commission coordinator thanked the French Embassy for this great support and appreciated GWIHR for her transparency in ensuring that the

goal of this project was met. She added that National Human Rights Commission fully supports the decriminalization of sex work because sex workers are human beings entitled to fundamental human rights. However, she stated that the job they do is a mutual agreement between two adults and also encouraged the beneficiaries to practice the skills they have acquired using the start-up trade tools.

- b. The DPO of Nigeria Police Force Ubakala Division, present at the event, expressed his gratitude towards GWIHR for their integrity and trust in ensuring that the beneficiaries completed this program. He added that the sensitization by GWIHR Team to his division really changed their mindset and perception about sex workers.
- c. The Chairperson of the International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA) expressed her gratitude towards GWIHR since the PISCCA project commenced. She also attested to the impact the project has created in the lives of sex workers through the capacity-building and empowerment opportunities it has provided. She also urged beneficiaries to re-train community members to enhance the impact sustainability of the project.

Key Deliverables/ Output Indicators of Objective 3

During the reporting period, GWIHR achieved the following output indicators from activities conducted that contributed to Objective 3:

- ✓ 22 sex workers were trained as paralegals
- ✓ 22 sex workers provided with start-up trade tools
- ✓ 10 sex workers who are survivors were accommodated in the emergency shelter
- ✓ 35 sex workers reached with mental health and psychosocial support services

Please fill in this table showing the number of people reached during each activity and the state of completion of each activity per month.

	ACTIVITY	LOCATION (Community, LGAs)	DATE	PEOPLE REACHED (approximate)	SOURCES OF VERIFICATION	STATUS OF ACTIVITY
APRIL						
A1.1	Ex: advocacy visits to NYSC				Ex: list of participants, briefing notes, etc.	Completed or not
A1.2	Inception Meeting of the Project Management Team Inception Meeting	The GWIHR Office at Abia State	April 5, 2022,	<i>5 Staff</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures 	Completed
A1.3	Selection of sex workers-paralegals and beneficiaries for income-generating skills training	Community-level across 23 LGAs of Abia State.	April 12-14, 2022	<i>Beneficiaries are identified. 17 paralegals selected</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Selection Checklist Line-list of selected sex workers Pictures 	Completed
A1.4	Identification and selection of Master Trainers	Community-level across 23 LGAs of Abia State	April 12-14, 2022	<i>22 master trainers selected</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A line-list of master trainers selected. MoU between GWIHR and the master trainers 	Completed

A1.5	Police Stations Mapping and Verification	Police Divisions at Umuahia North LGA	April 10-11, 2022	2 Police division mapped and verified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures Briefing note shared during mapping 	Completed
A1.6	Training of Sex Workers as Paralegals	Umuahia North LGA at Villa-Roy Hotel	April 19-23, 2022	17 sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Training Agenda Pre and Post-Test Training: Satisfactory form Pictures Payment Sheet Training report 	Completed
A1.7	Stakeholders Project Inception Meeting	Umuahia North LGA at Villa-Roy Hotel	April 29, 2022,	34 Stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures Payment Sheet Meeting report 	Completed
A1.8	Community Education	Community-level across 23 LGAs of Abia State	April 24-30, 2022	119 sex workers (female sex workers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures 	Completed
A1.9	GBV response services:	Community-level community-level of Abia State.	April 24-30, 2022	2 sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GBV screening form GBV incidence form Monthly GBV Summary Form Pictures 	Completed
A1.10	Advocacy visit to Ministry of Health	The Ministry of Health Complex at Umuahia North LGA	April 27, 2022,	8 Key staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures 	Completed
A1.11	Monthly Review Meeting	GWHR Office at Abia State	April 28, 2022	17 Paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures 	Completed
MAY						
B1.1	Mapping and Verification of Police	Police Divisions across the 17 LGAs	May 4-6, 2022	15 Police divisions mapped and verified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures Briefing notes shared during mapping 	Completed
B1.2	Community Education	Community-level across 9 LGAs of Abia State.	May 4-24, 2022	306 sex workers (300 female sex workers (FSWs) and 6 transgender sex workers (TSWs))	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures 	Completed
B1.3	Response to GBV Cases	Community-level across	May 4-24, 2022	15 sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GBV screening form 	Completed

		9 LGAs of Abia State			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>GBV incidence form</i> • <i>Monthly GBV Summary Form</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	
B1.4	Advocacy to Abia State Human Rights Commission	Abia State Human Rights Commission at Umuahia North LGA, Umuahia.	May 16, 2022	4 key staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance Sheet • Pictures 	Completed
B1.5	Police Sensitization Workshop	Central Police Station at Umuahia North LGA	May 24, 2022	20 Police Officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance Sheet • Pictures • Briefing notes shared during sensitization • Sensitization report 	Completed
B1.6	Monitoring and Evaluation	Community level across 17 LGAs	May 11-19, 2022	22 Beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring and Supervisory Checklist • Attendance Sheet • Pictures • Monitoring Report • Supervisory Report 	Completed
B1.7	Co-creation of Information Education Communication (IEC) Materials with Sex Workers' Leaders and Development and Dissemination of IEC materials	The GWIHR Office at Abia State	May 13-23, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 sex workers • 800 copies of IEC materials printed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance Sheet • IEC Messages co-created • Copies of IEC materials were printed. • Pictures 	Completed
B1.8	Monthly Review Meeting	The GWIHR Office Umuahia, Abia State	May 25, 2022	17 Paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance Sheet • Pictures 	Completed
JUNE						
C1.1	Community Education	Community level across 11 LGAs of Abia State	June 1-24, 2022	392 sex workers (388 FSWs and 4 TSWs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance Sheet • Pictures 	Completed
C1.2	Response to GBV Cases	Community level across 11 LGAs of Abia State	June 1-24, 2022	26 sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>GBV screening form</i> • <i>GBV incidence form</i> • <i>Monthly GBV summary form</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed

C1.3	Advocacy visit to Abia State Human Rights Commission	Abia State Human Right Commission at Umuahia North LGA	June 14, 2022	5 Key staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures 	Completed
C1.4	Capacity Building on Advocacy for Sex Workers Key Opinion Leaders	At Villa Roy Hotel Umuahia	May 29-June 3, 2022	34 Sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Capacity Building Agenda Pre and Post-Test Capacity Building Satisfactory form Pictures Payment Sheet Capacity Building report 	Completed
C1.5	Development and Dissemination of IEC materials	The GWIHR Office at Abia State	June 8-10, 2022	800 copies of IEC materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IEC Messages co-created Copies of IEC materials were printed. Pictures 	Completed
C1.6	Provision of Emergency Shelter Services	GWIHR office at Akwa-Ibom State	May 29-June 14, 2022	6 sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safe House Register Mental Health Screening Forms Safe House Care Card 	Completed
C1.7	Monitoring and Evaluation	Community level across 17 LGAs	June 14-17, 2022	22 Beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring and Supervisory Checklist Attendance Sheet Pictures Monitoring Report Supervisory Report 	Completed
C1.8	Monthly Review Meeting	GWIHR Office at Abia State	June 24, 2022	17 Paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures 	Completed
JULY						
D1.1	One-day Sexism Sensitization Workshop for the Community of Stakeholders and Media	Rapha Hotel LTD Umuahia	July 7, 2022	40 Community of Stakeholders and Media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Payment Sheet Pictures Report 	Completed
D1.2	Community Education	Community level across 13 LGAs of Abia State	July 1-26, 2022	306 sex workers (302 FSWs and 4 TSWs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Sheet Pictures 	Completed
D1.3	Response to GBV Cases	Community level across 13 LGAs	July 1-26 2022	19 sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GBV screening form GBV incidence form Monthly GBV 	Completed

					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Pictures</i> 	
D1.4	Advocacy Visit to National Human Rights Commission Abia Chapter	Abia State National Human Rights Commission Office Umuahia, Abia State	July 5, 2022	4 Key staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance Sheet</i> • <i>Picture</i> • <i>Advocacy Report</i> 	Completed
D1.5	Advocacy to Abia State Law Reform and Review Commission	Abia State Reform and Review Commission Office Umuahia	July 21, 2022	4 key staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance Sheet</i> • <i>Pictures</i> • <i>Report</i> 	Completed
D1.6	Sensitization Workshops with the Police	Federal Zone 9 Command Ehimiri Estate, Umuahia North And Nigeria Police Force Ubakala Division Umuahia South both in Abia State.	July 27 and 28, 2022	80 Police Officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance Sheets</i> • <i>Payment Sheets</i> • <i>Pictures</i> • <i>Report</i> 	Completed
D1.7	Cocreation and Development and Dissemination of IEC Materials	GWHR Office Umuahia, Abia State.	July 14-15, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 sex workers • 550 copies of IEC materials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance Sheets</i> • <i>IEC materials cocreated</i> • <i>Copies of IEC printed</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed
D1.8	Monitoring and evaluation	Community level across 17 LGAs	July 4-22, 2022	22 beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Monitoring and Supervisory Checklist</i> • <i>Attendance Sheets</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed
D1.9	Provision of Emergency Shelter	GWHR Safe house at Akwa-ibom State	July 14-19, 2022	2 sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Safe house register</i> • <i>Mental health screening forms</i> • <i>Safe house care card</i> 	Completed
D1.10	Monthly Review Meeting	GWHR Office at Umuahia, Abia State	July 26, 2022	17 paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance sheet</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed
AUGUST						
E1.1	Advocacy visit to National Human Rights Commission,	National Human Rights	August 12, 2022	4 key staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance Sheet</i> • <i>Picture</i> 	Completed

	Abia Chapter.	Commission Office Umuahia				
E1.2	Courtesy visit to the Commissioner of police with National Human Rights Commission	Police headquarter s Umuahia, Abia State.	August 23, 2022	6 Persons including the Commissioner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance sheet</i> 	Completed
E1.3	Community Education	Community level across 17 LGAs	August 1-23, 2022	391 sex workers (385 FSWs and 6 TSWs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance Sheets</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed
E1.4	Response to GBV Cases	Community level across 17 LGAs	August 1-23, 2022	6 sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>GBV screening form</i> • <i>GBV incidence form</i> • <i>Monthly GBV Summary Form</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed
E1.5	Sensitization Workshop with the Police	Central Police Station Aba, Aba South LGA Abia State.	August 24, 2022	20 Police officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance Sheet</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed
E1.6	Development and Dissemination of IEC Materials	At Community levels	August 4, 2022	1000 Copies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>IEC messages cocreated</i> • <i>Copies of IEC materials printed</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed
E1.7	Monitoring and evaluation	Community level across 17 LGAs	August 2-19, 2022	22 Beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Monitoring and supervisory checklist</i> • <i>Attendance sheet</i> • <i>Pictures</i> • <i>Monitoring & supervisory reports</i> 	Completed
E1.8	Provision of Emergency Shelter	GWHR safe house at Akwa-Ibom	August 16, 2022	1 sex worker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Safe House Register</i> • <i>Mental Health Screening Forms</i> • <i>Safe House Care Card</i> 	Completed
E1.9	Monthly Review Meeting	GWHR Office Umuahia, Abia State	August 23, 2022	17 Paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance Sheets</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed
SEPTEMBER						
F1.1	Community Education	Community level across 17 LGAs	September 1-22, 2022	375 sex workers (371 FSWs and 4 TSWs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Attendance Sheets</i> • <i>Pictures</i> 	Completed
F1.2	Response to GBV Cases	Community level	September 1-22, 2022	7 sex workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>GBV screening form</i> 	Completed

					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GBV incidence form • Monthly GBV Summary Form • Pictures 	
F1.3	Monitoring and evaluation	Community level	September 6-21, 2022	22 Beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring and Supervisory Checklist • Attendance Sheet • Pictures • Monitoring Report Supervisory Report 	Completed
F1.4	Development and dissemination of IEC materials	At Community levels	September 1-22	500 copies of IEC materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IEC Messages co-created • Copies of IEC materials were printed. • Pictures 	Completed
F1.5	Provision of Shelter	GWHR Safe house Akwa-Ibom	September 12, 2022	1 sex worker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe House Register • Mental Health Screening Forms • Safe House Care Card 	Completed
F1.6	Monthly Review Meeting	GWHR Office Umuahia, Abia State.	September 23, 2022	17 paralegals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance Sheet • Pictures 	Completed

1.2. Beneficiaries

➤ Elaborate on involvement of beneficiaries

Throughout this project's implementation, the primary and secondary beneficiaries were actively involved in the implementation process ranging from project design, planning, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation. For example, training of 17 sex workers (Primary beneficiaries) as paralegals helped ensure that other sex workers were identified and reached with human rights education. More so, this strategy enhanced trust and the ability of sex workers to open up in reporting cases of violations without any fear of communication bridge or betrayal. In addition, enrolling and empowering 22 sex workers (Primary beneficiaries) with income-generating skills is also a means of ensuring that the skills learnt remains in the community hence, creating opportunities and avenues to re-train others. Furthermore, sensitizing and involving the police (secondary beneficiaries) in GBV response for sex workers helps strengthen the efficiency and support needed in protecting and upholding their rights.

➤ Identify the number of people reached during the project activities

Activity	Category of beneficiary	Targeted Number to be reach	Number of people reached
Organize peer sessions at the community level to increase awareness and educate sex workers on their fundamental human rights, sex work related	Primary beneficiary (female and transgender sex workers)	1500	1889

laws, the VAPP Law and respond to cases of violence against sex workers			
Improving the economic livelihood sex workers	Primary beneficiary (female and transgender sex workers)	22	22
Sensitization Workshop to the Police	Secondary beneficiary (the Police)	100	120
	Total	1622	2031

1.3. Final Time frame

- **Provide an updated timeframe** of the achieved project.

The time-frame was updated during the submission of the Mid-Term report as follows :

MONTH	April	May	June	July	August	Sept
Specific objective 1	Conduct advocacies to shape institutional accountability for existing laws and policies upholding the rights of sex workers in Abia State by September 2022.					
Activity 1.1- Conduct local-level mapping and verification of police stations	X	X				
Activity 1.2- Sensitization workshop with the police		X	X	X	X	
Activity 1.3- Conduct Advocacy to Human Rights Commission and Ministry of Women Affairs	X	X	X	X	X	
Activity 1.4- Conduct a one-day sexism sensitization workshop for the community of stakeholders including the media				X		
Specific objective 2	Increase awareness of 1500 sex workers on sex work-related laws and human rights by September 2022.					
Activity 2.1- Training of sex workers as paralegals	X					
Activity 2.2- Capacity building on Advocacy for sex workers Key opinion leaders			X			
Activity 2.3- Development and dissemination of written and visual IEC materials about violence and human rights of sex workers.		X	X	X		
Specific objective 3	Improve the livelihood of 22 sex workers in Abia State by September 2022					
Activity 3.1- Income Generation skills development for sex workers	X	X	X	X	X	
Activity 3.2- Provision of start-up trade tools						X
Activity 3.2- Provide emergency shelters for sex workers	X	X	X	X	X	X
Management activities	X	X	X	X	X	X
Brief monthly report	X	X		X	X	
Intermediary & final report			X			X
Final report						X

- Have all activities been implemented according to the planned timeframe? If not, why? How was the impact of potential delays mitigated?

During the implementation of the project, all activities were implemented according to the planned timeframe except for the following:

- **Mapping and Verifying Police Divisions:** This activity was planned to commence and be completed in April 2022. However, due to the unavailability of some DPOs in their divisions, our visitation to some of these divisions became an effort in futility hence, calling for the need to reschedule visitation, which further prolonged into the following month. To ensure that this delay does not affect our project implementation's progress, the GWIHR team re-adjusted her monthly workplan for May 2022, double-tasked herself, and worked tirelessly to accommodate this extra activity and ensure no activity is left undone for that month.
- **Sexism sensitization meeting:** This activity was scheduled for May 2022, but due to IPOB activity in the Eastern region which Abia State is inclusive, the activity was canceled and rescheduled to July 2022, which was also the same period our donor favored for the field visitation to meet project beneficiaries and stakeholders though the activity held, however, the donors did not make it to the visitation due to unforeseen circumstances coupled with the insecurity issues in the country.

Describe hereafter your main implementation challenges and the strategies put in place to overcome them : After the mid-term report GWIHR project team have not encountered any challenge(s)

Have some challenges remained constant/impossible to address throughout the project implementation period? How have these impacted on the completion of activities and the achievement of results and objectives?

During the implementation period, GWIHR encountered the following challenges:

- The Monday compulsory and other uncertain days lockdowns because of IPOB activity in the Eastern region of Nigeria reduced the working days of the GWIHR project team to four(4) days instead of five (5) days, and the productivity ratio of one (1) day cannot be neglected.
- The Primary elections for the upcoming 2023 General Elections and other community disputes in different LGAs created insecurity issues for the paralegals, thereby affecting their ability to work effectively. For example, the community disputes that occurred since May 2022 at Ohafia LGA, where lives were lost and properties destroyed.
- Due to the insecurity in the State, the field police officer reached with sensitization workshop are skeptical and has refused to provide their bank details for transport reimbursement, which contradicts finance guidelines for such payments.

- **What resources would have been needed in order to correctly address these challenges?**

To remedy this situations, GWIHR internally:

- Devised an alternate work plan that ensures weekly deliverables and targets are met by working remotely on Mondays and other uncertain days or periods of insecurities.
- Resolved the issue of cash payments for transport reimbursement to field police officers by sending an approval letter to the Executive Director requesting cash payment to the police officers for the sensitization looking at the insecurities and circumstances.
- Retrained our paralegals on crisis management and gave them some security tips to help them work in those crisis and community conflicts LGAs.

- **Does this coincide with your previous risk assessment/analysis?**

Describe potential changes to the local context since the submission of the project proposal (social, political, economic changes) and state for each component how the project might have been affected, or may be affected in the future (ex: security issues, natural disasters, number of beneficiaries or in your organization in terms of board/staff, new partners, etc.).

Yes, from our implementation experience, some of the initially foreseen risk analysis, except for technological risk (Cyberattack/ data theft, online bullying, crash of computer systems, and loss of data), coincided with what is obtainable as follows:

Political Risk

During the reporting months, GWIHR noticed some level of political changes and transition process, which has generally kept the state under threat of conflict and political instability due to ethnic conflict that has ravaged the minds of Igbo on BIAFRA. In addition, the 2023 Presidential, Governorship, and State House of Assembly elections have kept everyone living in dismay and fear of association. This risk would have affected the project implementation, but we scaled through due to informal sensitization visits to heads of communities and the safety and security we gave to our team members.

Social Risk

The risk played out when the Permanent Secretary Ministry of Women Affairs, with which the organization has an existing relationship, was promoted, and her successor was religious, relentless, and in support of the organization's mandate. This issue would have increased the rate of backlash on the organization, but we utilized diplomacy on her to ensure the Ministry attended our sexism sensitization meeting, where they heard from the community and had their mindset changed before she gave her buy-in and started supporting the voice of sex workers as women.

Financial Risk

At the end of this project implementation, the financial risk of inadequate funding was encountered to enable the organization to carry out a project close-out meeting. But due to the organization's budgeted contingency fund, this gap was closed, and the contingency fund was leveraged for the close-out engagement after prior approval had been gotten from the donor.

- **Provide a list of your partners in this project, elaborating on the working relationship and nature of partnership. Describe your relationship with the authorities (local/state/national level), nature of the collaboration, impact of such collaboration on the project and views of your organization vis-à-vis official policies and priorities relevant to the project.**

Organization / authority	Nature of the partnership	Working relationship with the partner
National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)	Ensures a consistent response to cases of human rights violations and other legal assistance	Excellent
Ministry of Health (MOH)	To foster access to healthcare services for sex workers who are survivors of violence among primary healthcare facilities in the State.	Good
International Federation of women Lawyers (FIDA)	Supports monitoring and investigating cases of sexual violence and engaging in public sensitization and advocacy.	Excellent
Brothel Owners' Union (BOU)	To supports monitoring and investigating cases of sexual violence and engaging in public sensitization and advocacy.	Excellent
Ministry of Women Affairs (MOWA)	To promote the development of sex workers' equal rights, stimulating action to promote the civic, social, and economic participation of sex workers.	Good
The Law Enforcement Agency (Police)	To foster accountability for existing human rights protection laws upholding the rights of sex workers, ensure immediate response to survivors, and foster punishment for perpetrators.	Good

- **Elaborate on the changes occurred during the implementation period** and on whether (and, if applicable, how)

During this project implementation, attitudes, behaviors, and perceptions of most stakeholders were changed about sex workers, increasing the level of support they have for sex workers in Abia State. In addition, the sensitization of the law enforcement agencies widened their knowledge of why the institution should be committed to protecting and upholding the rights of sex workers. Furthermore, the project provided an opportunity to deepen the relationship and create new working relationships with personalities that the organization has not worked with before now, such as Permanent Secretary Ministry of Women Affairs, the Commissioner of Police, the Coordinator of Human Rights Commission, Abia State Law Reform and Review Commission, etc. in achieving the objectives of the project. Finally, this project not only deepened her relationship with the stakeholders but also significantly strengthened the relationship and the level of support they have for sex workers in Abia State and stakeholders such as the National Human Rights Commission, Abia State has joined the advocacy movement of decriminalization of sex work in Nigeria.

- **Describe the impact of any coordination efforts with all types of stakeholders**, the synergies that have emerged, and make recommendations to improve coordination in the future.

The impact of our synergies with stakeholders is as follows:

- **Law Enforcement Agencies:** The sensitization workshops held with the field police officers fostered accountability of existing laws that protect and uphold the human rights of sex workers, ensure immediate response to survivors, and foster punishment for perpetrators in Abia State.
- **National Human Rights Commission:** During this project, the monthly advocacies enhanced GWIHR's relationship with NHRC, which fuelled quick response to any human rights violation cases beyond GWIHR's Focal Person in ensuring access to justice.
- **Ministry of Women Affairs:** After the sexism sensitization, GWIHR gained the support of this Ministry, which has recognized the importance of including sex workers in the feminist movement in Abia State.
- **International Federation of Women Lawyers:** The FIDA team has been active and supportive in giving legal advice and guideline needed in responding positively to violation issues of sex workers, especially to those who are survivors of violence since the project commenced.

- **Describe your relationship with the Embassy of France.** Is there any technical support that you require that will further strengthen your work? Would you like to make general comments to the team about any issue relating to the partnership or project?

GWIHR's relationship with the Embassy of France has been excellent; no issues have been indicated since the project commenced, and we look forward to working and partnering with the Embassy in promoting the lives and well-being of sex workers in the nearest future in or outside Abia State.

1.4. Communication

- **Please share the links of your press releases, external communication on TV, newspapers, social media...**

- **Website:**

Project launch:

<https://gwihr.org.ng/2022/04/29/gwihr-launched-our-fore-fronting-our-agenda-speak-out-loud-fofa-sol-project-funded-by-the-french-embassy-nigeria/>

Sexism sensitization workshop

: <https://gwihr.org.ng/2022/07/07/sexism-sensitization-workshop-with-community-of-stakeholders-including-media/>

Police sensitization :

<https://gwihr.org.ng/gwihr-held-sensitization-workshop-with-the-police-to-strengthen-police-relationship-with-sex-workers/>

- **Social Media:**

Inception meeting and training of paralegals:

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1516307528763613&id=100011531405911

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1510441112683588&id=100011531405911

The police sensitization workshop :

<https://www.instagram.com/p/Cd86cuSITwJ/?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=>

Police sensitizations:

<https://m.facebook.com/story.php?storyfbid=1577618449299187&id=100011531405911><https://m.facebook.com/story.php?storyfbid=1578507062543659&id=100011531405911>

<https://www.facebook.com/10001153140531405911/posts/pfbid022uCKP77tBM57DocRj8jbUF86HoBvMdr1fNdxDDkuXaPzZjwFtkwr2HT4RaViQ4nCI/?app=fbi>

➤ How is the visibility of your project and the PISCCA Fund?

Forefronting Our Agenda: Speak Out Loud (FoFa-SOL) project in Abia State has created visibility for the PISCCA project because of the strong relationship GWIHR has developed with the Abia state government, the Abia state Ministry of Health, Ministry of Women Affairs, National Human Rights Commission Abia Chapter, police divisions, and other women-led organizations. However, the project inception and close-out meeting with stakeholders provided an opportunity to share the project's goal, objective, and achievements which all present marveled at and attracted interest from civil society organizations and institutions towards forming synergies and collaboration to deliver similar projects in that capacity looking at its impact. In addition, GWIHR's social media has been outstanding in sharing and disseminating all PISCCA information and project activities to the general public, including project beneficiaries. Furthermore, we also invite media press to our activities to enhance visibility and promote the impact of the PISCCA project on radio and newspaper channels.

1.5. Monitoring and evaluation (M&E)

➤ **Click on the icon below to update the data related to your indicators.** Remember to save it before leaving Excel so that it remains attached to the report. Please use the same document that you have used for the mid-term report.



➤ **How did you conduct M&E activities to get beneficiaries' feedback on the carried activities? Has your system for monitoring worked according to plan?**

Ex: surveys, baseline, research study, assessments (needs, security, etc.) after the start of the project.

GWIHRs' initially proposed M&E strategies effectively worked in ascertaining and obtaining required feedbacks on the impact level of the PISCCA project from the direct project beneficiaries (female and transgender sex workers). In doing so, GWIHR M&E team conducted a one week final/end-line project evaluation at the community level by utilizing an interpersonal communication and interaction strategy to get feedback on the project's impact on their respective lives. To effectively do this, GWIHR designed and prepared a satisfactory project questionnaire widely shared with representative samples of the entire community across the hotspots. During the administration of these questionnaires, the GWIHR M&E Team probed and asked questions to validate each impact stated by a beneficiary through a series of re-occurring why questions" until justifiable feedback is obtained. In addition, we also designed a final project evaluation form administered to project beneficiaries to guide service delivery approaches

and close gaps for future programming. Furthermore, GWIHR organized key informant interviews (KIIs) with secondary beneficiaries such as police, media, and other stakeholders to determine the level and degree of a positive shift in behavior, attitude, practices, and general perception about sex workers. Finally, the information collated was compared with the baseline, which shows a significant milestone of achievement of what the PISCCA has brought to the lives of sex workers in Abia State.

- **Are the observed results on beneficiaries in line with, above or below the forecast for the first three months of the project?**

The result observed above was what we expected

- **Any management changes in the logical framework and/or financial updates:**

None

1.6. Sustainability

- **Please describe the exit strategy, enumerating its different stages.** Kindly assess the sustainability of the results of the project.

To ensure project sustainability and ownership, GWIHR will ensure that sex workers trained as paralegals continue to provide paralegal services to their members while we leverage the strong partnership we have built with stakeholders such as Human Right Commission. Ministry of Women Affairs, International Federation of Female Lawyers (FIDA) Abia State Chapter, and Women-Led Organizations within the State in ensuring support. In addition, GWIHR will look for long-term partners, either at the local, national, or international level, that will be able to support the impact of this to continue. At the same time, each beneficiary of this project that went through the income-generating skills program will train two sex workers not part of the income-generating skills training programs to enhance knowledge sharing. GWIHR will also leverage the safe house to continue to ensure emergency shelter for all sex workers who are survivors of GBV.

1.7. Lessons learned

- **What achievements are you particularly satisfied with?** What would you have done differently? Kindly describe the lessons learned from the implementation, and elaborate on the implications for future projects.

During the months of implementation, GWIHR learned that securing the buy-in of those who wield power in the sex workers' hotspots, such as the brothel owners, managers, chair ladies, and gate-keepers is essential in gaining the support and acceptance of a significant number of community members hence increasing the degree of service acceptability and reduced risk of backlash.

In addition, involving sex workers in the implementation of program activities helped instill a sense of program ownership among the community members, which aided in creating an enabling space for other sex workers who were hiding to turn up for service delivery. Furthermore, GWIHR learned that building partnerships and applying a non-parallel approach to program implementation is important because when a strategy is redundant and not yielding the expected outcome, that approach is subject to change. Conversely, with the help of a sustained relationship, advocacy for differentiated practices becomes easy and possible. Finally, the above lessons learned will be shared as best practices and integrated into all future programming to enhance effective project implement for sex workers.

2. FINANCIAL REPORT

This second part aims to provide a review of the project's resources and financial implementation at the end of the project.

2.1. Updated budget at the end of the project

- **Click on the icon below and update the data.** Use the same document as in the mid-term report. Remember to save it before leaving Excel so that it remains attached to the report.



- **Explain in a few lines the differences (if any)** between the estimated budget of the action and the final budget executed.

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2.2. Service contracts (if any)

- Specify the terms of the contract (s) if you have used a company or any other external organization. Specify any difficulties encountered.

Organization /individual	Purpose of the agreement	Date	Amount (€)
Name			
		Total	

2.3. Contribution of the beneficiary

- Explain and justify any significant differences (if any) between the estimated contribution and the final contribution executed.

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2.4. Co-funding (if any)

Name of the partner(s)	Amount allocated	Amount spent	What did they support? (*)	% of the total cost of the project

(*) including in-kind contributions.

- **Explain and justify any significant differences** between the estimated co-financed budget and the co-funding actually obtained.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS

- **Please feel free to provide any other comments or recommendations** that you want to share with the Embassy of France regarding your PISCCA project.

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4. SIGNATURE

Report compiled by	
Check List	Before you return this report <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure that the report is a maximum of 15 pages <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure annexes (including the indicator and financial monitoring sheets) are completed and attached

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