

Rights of survivors of sexual assault and human-trafficking

Survivors are entitled to know their rights before,
during, and after the investigation



- 1- Survivors have the right to be treated with respect and dignity
- 2- Survivors have the right to privacy and confidentiality
- 3- Survivors have the right to equal treatment and non-discrimination
- 4- Survivors have the right to request an interview with an Internal Security Forces member of the same gender, and the right to appoint an interpreter if needed
- 5- Survivors have the right to obtain full and inclusive information on available services, including health, legal, psychological, social, and protection services (free of charge)
- 6- Survivors have the right to be provided with nutritional, clothing, medical, and immediate psychosocial support needs
- 7- Survivors have the right to be provided with temporary, adequate safe shelter, as well as with effective protection from human-trafficking and associated networks
- 8- Survivors have the right to be provided with legal aid and related services concerning any judicial or civil procedure against their perpetrators of human-trafficking/exploitation
- 9- Survivors have the right to take breaks regularly and be spared hearing the testimony/story repeatedly
- 10- Survivors have the right to obtain the primary health information and guidelines related to sexual assault and to be provided with contact information of providers of specialized treatments
- 11- Survivors have the right to claim the evidence that documents the sexual assault (e.g. saliva on injuries, semen, substances under the nails, etc.)
- 12- Survivors have the right to abstain from answering any question during the investigation if feeling uncomfortable, and the right to request international protection through UNHCR if they are not Lebanese
- 13- Survivors have the right for their decisions and choices to be respected
- 14- Survivors have the right to have their informed consent taken for the purpose of exchanging their personal information with other parties
- 15- In the case that survivor is a minor, a representative from Juvenile Protection must be present.

Obligations of the victim during the primary investigation;

- 1- Abide by Lebanese law.
- 2- Abstain from obstructing justice



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