

WHO IS TO BLAME?

Young people shared their experiences and views of victim-blaming. This is what they told through the 16 Days of Activism U-Report poll!



3 out of 4

girls and young women said they were afraid of people saying it's their fault if someone harms them



4 out of 10

shared that they have been blamed for abuse suffered in the past

At least **1** didn't talk about what happened with anyone



"Maria had dinner with her friends and is walking back home alone. It's late at night."

If someone harms her, whose fault is it?

Girls and young women opinions

- 12% identified Maria (either completely or partially)
- 88% identified the perpetrator
- 55% think Maria should have been more careful

- 76% knew what victim-blaming is
- 80% think it's a problem in their community

Boys and young men opinions

- 21% identified Maria (either completely or partially)
- 79% identified the perpetrator
- 69% think Maria should have been more careful

- 58% knew what victim-blaming is
- 60% think it's a problem in their community
- 55% believe they can change it
- 30% don't know how

"I believe [it should be done] awareness-raising and allow people to learn about it. At the end of they day, it's all about people's mentality towards this problem.

If it's not us standing up for it, who will?"

15 years old girl from Malaysia

This youth consultation was developed as part of the WAGGGS 16 Days of Activism global campaign. 303 young people (13-30 years old) from 74 countries were digitally engaged in this consultation, launched as a U-Report Global poll on 27/12/2020. The results presented in this infographic are based on their answers, disaggregated by gender and age, but are not representative of the global youth population.

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