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THE ASSOCIATION FOR WAR AFFECTED WOMEN
Women taking leadership in post war reconciliation – Paving the way for Sustainable Peace in Sri Lanka

Panel Discussion on “The road to reconciliation: Justice, Hope and Dignity in Sri Lanka”

Peace Table

Panel discussion: Increasing Women in UN Peace Keeping

New Local Government Election System and Women’s Participation

Global Involvements

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VISION

Peaceful Prosperous Sri Lanka where all its people are living with dignity enjoying equal rights.

MISSION

Work towards strengthening democracy, women’s advancement and equal participation in order to achieve sustainable development and permanent peace in Sri Lanka.
WOMEN TAKING LEADERSHIP IN POST WAR RECONCILIATION - PAVING THE WAY FOR SUSTAINABLE PEACE IN SRI LANKA

Three workshops were conducted in Kandy, Jaffna, and Trincomalee. Women were introduced to conflict resolution and post conflict peace building processes.

Women’s voices were made prominent in several group discussions which enabled the clear identification of issues faced by women and youth in Sri Lanka.

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The panel discussion addressed the challenges that affect communities and especially women, as nations endeavor to grapple with the challenges of post conflict reconciliation processes and win the peace. Panelists drew on lessons from internationals best practices to inform the Sri Lankan process, while sharing lessons learned from the Sri Lankan experience.
The Association of War Affected Women held two peace tables, in the Eastern province and in the Central hills, The Peace Tables featured several invigorating activities, such as panel discussions, keynote speeches, screening of the TJ animation and vigorous Q&A’s.

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The discussion was held on the occasion of the 17th Anniversary of UNSCR 1325 and brought together a variety of stakeholders including UN member states, UN agencies and civil society actors. The panel discussed several pertinent issues and problems in relation to the role of women in society. The event sought to highlight the transformative effect of women in peacekeeping and explore what additional critical and catalytic steps the UN and its member states can take to resolve the aforementioned issues.
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NEW LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION SYSTEM
AND WOMEN’S PARTICIPATION IN POLITICS

WORKSHOP
Women were made aware by Mr Rohana Hettiarachchi (Executive Director of PAFFREL) on the new local government election law specially the women quota.
OUR GLOBAL INVOLVEMENTS
Global Unites - “the inclusion of women in peace building”

10th November ICAN Forum
• University of San Diego: Stronger Together – Women Waging Peace

• In London for Women in mediation: Promoting Participation
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