



Roundtable Discussion

16 Days of Activism Campaign 2020

Impact of COVID-19 on Informal Women Workers
Hosted by ACBAR

Moderated by Lisa K. Piper, Director, ACBAR

7 December 2020 15:00 to 16:30 Kabul time (10:30 to 12:00 GMT)



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16 Days of Activism Campaign against Gender-based Violence runs annually from 25 November to 10 December, an initiative launched in 1991 by the Centre for Women's Global Leadership. This year's global theme addresses the impact of COVID-19 on the lives of women particularly working in the informal sector in Afghanistan. Our roundtable guests will share experiences and knowledge on activities that support women's economic and the challenges brought about by the global pandemic.

Roundtable Guests:

Cordaid

Anwar Alvi, Programme Manager/Private Sector Development

International Rescue Committee (IRC)

Zuhra Wardak, Deputy Director

Swedish Committee for Afghanistan (SCA)

Nazmun Nahar, Senior Gender and Human Rights Specialist

Women's Activities and Social Services Association (WASSA)

Said Wase Sayedi, Executive Director

World Vision International (WVI)

Nagina Iqbal, Marketing Specialist

Zardozi:

Hasina Aimaq, Programme Director

Featuring discussions on:

- Study conducted by IRC and UN Women on the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on women
- Zardozi's Nesfe Jahan programme, a self-sustaining model for women's self-help groups
- Impact of COVID-19 on WASSA's café net and Code4Fun training for women and girls in a safe space
- SCA's study and analysis of the impact of COVID-19 on activities such as vocational training, access to markets
- WVI initiatives in Badghis and Herat, on addressing the needs of women to access markets during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Cordaid's The Bright Future initiative, supporting urban youth in Kabul and their efforts in setting up startups

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