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GAMCOTRAP CONDUCTS 16 DAYS ACTIVISM ENGAGEMENT UNDER THE THEMES: "UNITE TO END DIGITAL VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS".



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GAMCOTRAP, with support from African Women’s Development Fund, UNFPA and the Girls Opportunity Alliance has launch a regional community engagement targeting all the regions in the Gambia. Engagements were conducted in Jarra (Soma), Lower River Region and Central River Region, (Wassu) reaching 100 women leaders in each region. This year’s theme “Unite to End Digital Violence against Women and Girls” highlights the growing forms of abuse women and girls face in the digital space, including harassment, cyberbullying, intimidation and body shaming.



GAMCOTRAP is using this period to raise awareness emerging from FGM, Gender-based Violence and strengthen community understanding of digital safety and rights. Participants were updated on the laws protecting women and girls, with specific focus on the women and children’s Act, the ongoing FGM case that continues to draw national and international attention, and the importance of safeguarding the rights of women and girls at all levels.



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In addition women's political participation was extensively discussed, highlighting the need for increased representation, voice, and leadership of women in decision-making spaces. Participants stressed that meaningful political participation is essential for advancing gender equality and building safer communities.

GAMCOTRAP continues to call on men, women, youth and community leaders across the country to unite and take collective action to end all forms of violence against women and girls and encourage women to participate in politics at all levels.

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