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This is not a surgical instrument.  
Keep Abortion Safe & Legal.

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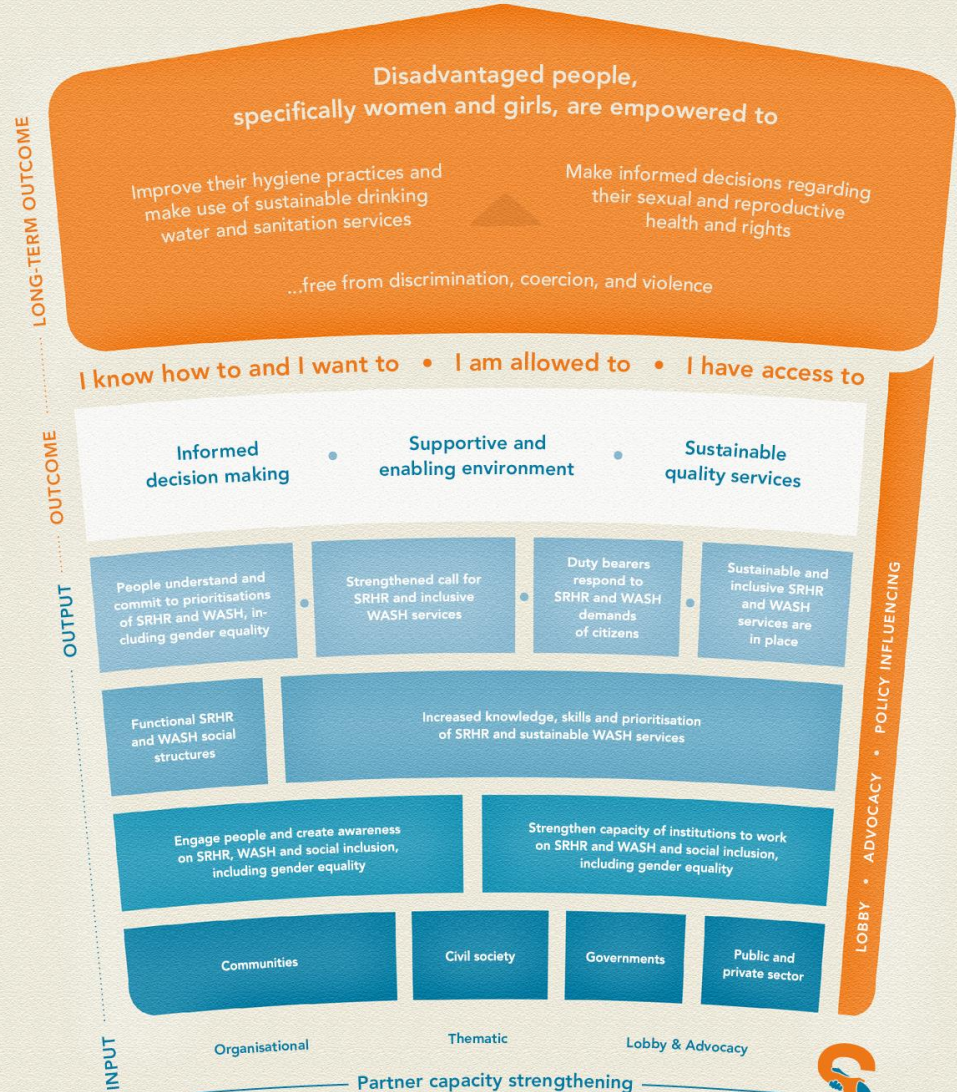
# About Simavi

*"Our work on increasing access to safe and legal abortion is based on our Theory of Change"*

**Simavi**

**A Healthy Life for All.**

We aim to ensure that disadvantaged people in low and middle income countries practice healthy behaviours based on their own free and informed decisions.





# Simavi's Advocacy Strategy 2016-2020

## SRHR & WASH ADVOCACY STRATEGY 2016-2020

### IMPACT

To realize structural improvement of the basic health of people in marginalized communities in the countries we work in



### ADVOCACY intrinsically part of the TOC

- Pillar 1: Empowered communities
- Pillar 2: Enabling Environment
- Pillar 3: Sustainable services

### OVERALL SRHR & WASH ADVOCACY GOAL:

Advocate to have strong political and sufficient financial support at Dutch, national (local, in country) and international level for sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) and Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) to ensure basic health for our final beneficiaries

### SIMAVI'S VISION ON LOBBY AND ADVOCACY

L&A is an essential part of achieving permanent change. It is a deliberate and systematic process of influencing policy, implementation, and behaviour of the specific persons who have the most influence in order to achieve structural improvement of basic health. L&A is interwoven in all three pillars of our ToC and improves the sustainability of our interventions. Simavi's L&A takes place on three levels:

- I. Dutch
- II. National (local, in country)
- III. International /regional

### TYPICAL SIMAVI L&A VALUES:

- I. Health focused
- II. Human Rights based
- III. Evidence based
- IV. Advocacy is the voice of the partners and communities (social accountability)
- V. Focus on the BoP
- VI. Joining forces
- VII. Tracking progress (M&E)

- **PILLAR 1 Empowered communities:** Simavi strengthens the partner organizations so that they are able to empower communities and enable them to demand quality basic health services, voice their needs and hold duty bearers to account.
- **PILLAR 2 Enabling Environment:** Simavi strengthens its partners and works together with them to ensure that the policy environment (from the very local to the global level) is conducive, fits the needs of the most marginalized and is financially sound to ensure basic health services are delivered and sustainable.
- **PILLAR 3 Sustainable services:** Simavi strengthens partner organizations to ensure and demand sustainable and quality basic health services by working on a sound policy environment that fits our FIETS principles.

### LINK WITH PROGRAMMES

Simavi's Advocacy efforts build upon and strengthen the current programmes. It is directly linked to our programmes and aims to target human rights using evidence in an effort to improve the basic health of people in marginalized communities in the countries we work in. Therefore we take the SRHR/WASH programme themes in to account and come to the hereafter following priorities:

International target of 0.2 percent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for development aid.  
Move integrated WASH SRHR in policies and funding streams

### WASH PRIORITY THEME'S

- Integrated WASH (Hygiene is a crucial part of WASH)
- Social sustainability (S from FIETS or inclusion)

### WASH ADVOCACY STRATEGY 2016-2020

Advocate to have strong political and financial support for water, sanitation and hygiene at Dutch, national and international level to ensure basic health for our final beneficiaries.

### SRHR PRIORITY THEME'S:

- ADOLESCENT & YOUTH SRHR (Combating Child Marriages, contraceptives for young (unmarried) women).
- MATERNAL HEALTH & REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS (safe legal abortions)
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- Ensure MFA keeps priority on a good budget allocation for SRHR. (financial accountability)
- Strengthen the capacity of partners and provide assistance and tools, to be able to raise priority on SRHR on national, regional and level. (political accountability) (social accountability)
- take evidence from local level to international level and vice versa
- To raise priority that the international community makes commitments and that SRHR stays on the global agenda. (political & social accountability)

LEVELS

DUTCH  
NL

NATIONAL  
LOCAL,  
IN COUNTRY)

INTERNATIONAL  
& REGIONAL



# About UPR

The **Universal Periodic Review (UPR)** is a unique process which involves a review of the **human rights records** of all **UN Member States**. The UPR is a **State-driven process**, under the auspices of the **Human Rights Council**, which provides the opportunity for each **State to declare what actions they have taken to improve the human rights situations in their countries and to fulfil their human rights obligations.**





# Technical Assistance: Case of Indonesia

- The civil society coalition of SRHR in Indonesia
- Technical assistance (TA) to partners
- Write shop shadow report & submission 2016



## Indonesia Civil Society Coalition for SRHR's



### INDONESIA

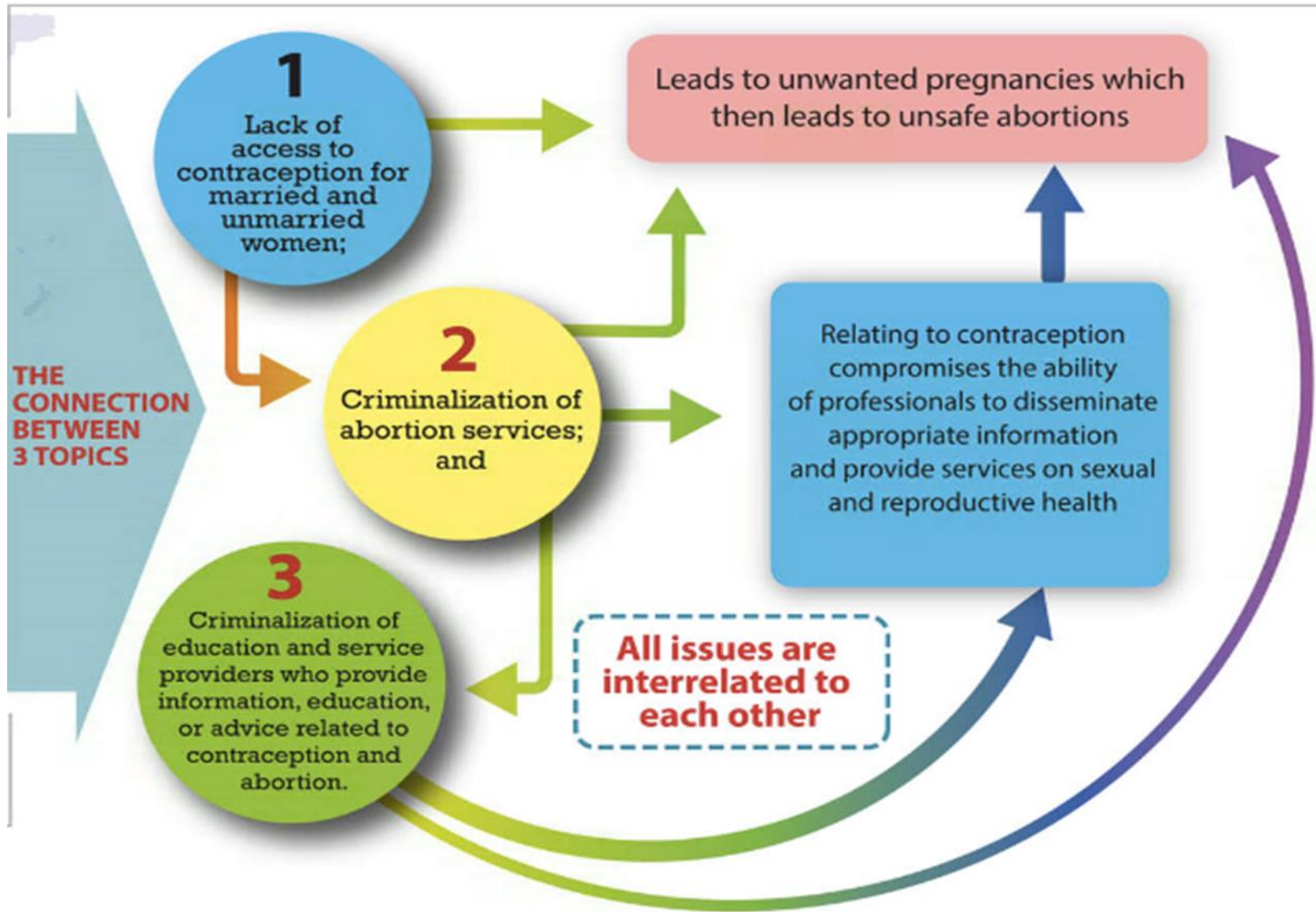
Submission of Indonesian Civil Society Coalition on SRHR's (IHAP, YKP, Samsara, YPKP and Women on Web)

UN Universal Periodic Review





# Content Report





## 18 Recommendation, including not limited to:



- i. **Repeal all laws** including government, district and local regulations restricting unmarried women from accessing contraception.
- ii. **Guarantee access to contraception** for all women and girls in Indonesia, regardless of marital status, spousal or parental consent.
- iii. **Decriminalize abortion in all circumstances for all women** and girls by repealing all laws, legislation as well as all government, district and local regulations which prevent women from accessing safe abortion services, irrespective of their marital status.
- iv. Repeal all legislation as well as all government, district and local regulations which restrict women and girls from **accessing information and advice related to their sexual and reproductive health**.
- vi. The Government of Indonesia should request technical assistance from OHCHR to implement the recommendations from the UPR, the Treaty Bodies and other mechanisms to fulfill



## Networking with the OHCHR=> Visit UN SR on Health to Indonesia



Mr. Dainius Pūras:  
Special Rapporteur  
on the right of  
everyone to the  
enjoyment of the  
highest attainable  
standard of health





# UPR Info Pre-session

- Presentation by a representative of the coalition at the UN in Geneva
- Meeting different missions and diplomats in Geneva
- Group in Indonesia meeting with embassies in Jakarta
- Letters sent to like-minded governments for support
- Networking- “speaking to the right person at the right time”

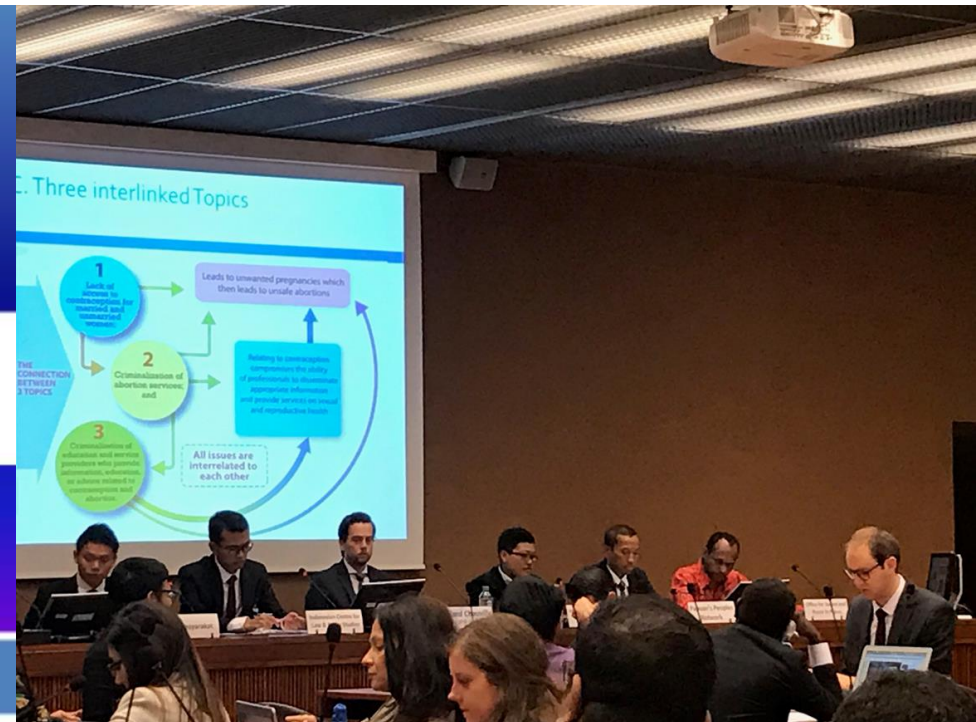
SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS  
(SRHR) AS UNIVERSAL HUMAN RIGHTS

THE CASE OF INDONESIA



THE CIVIL SOCIETY COALITION (CSC) SRHR IN INDONESIA

UPR Info Pre-sessions  
4-7 April, Geneva





# UPR Info Presession

## FACTSHEETS

**FACTSHEET OF  
UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW  
FOCUS ON 3 ISSUES**

The Civil Society Coalition  
on Sexual and Reproductive  
Health and Rights (SRHR)

Represented by the following organizations:  
Institute for Women's Human Rights (IWHR), Women's Health Foundation (WHF),  
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**FACTSHEET  
UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REPORT ON  
RESTRICTION ON ACCESS TO  
CONTRACEPTIVES**

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# OUTCOME

- **Statements UN special Rapporteur on Health strong on SRHR after visit Indonesia.**
- **UN documentation making reference to the recommendations of the coalition.**

## **Summary of Stakeholders Submission**

*“60. Joint Submission 19 (JS19) noted that married women could not legally access contraception without the permission of their husband. Access to contraception by unmarried women remained illegal, and the Penal Code restricted abortion and criminalized women who seek abortion, people who assist women seeking abortion information or services, those who provide information and give advice on abortion services, as well as health service providers who provide abortion services”*

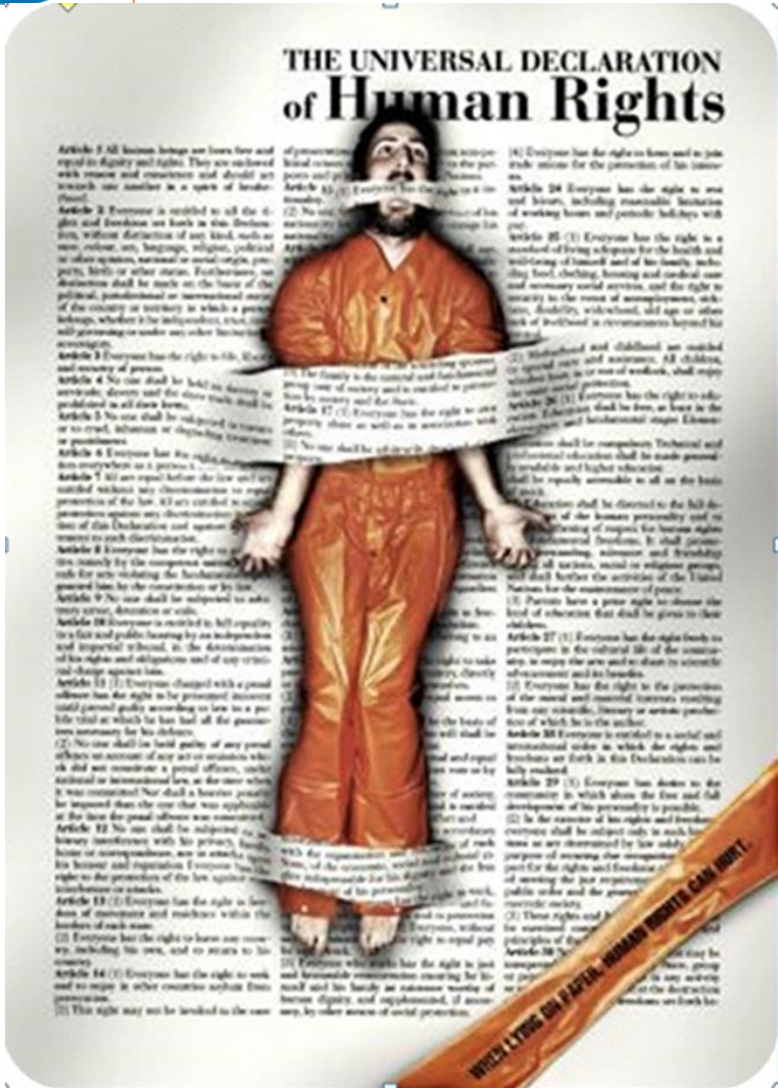
## **Compilation of UN Information:**

*“73. The Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women called upon Indonesia to extend the time limit for undergoing an abortion and decriminalize abortion in cases of incest and where the health of the pregnant woman or girl was in danger, authorize women to undertake abortion without their husband’s consent and provide safe abortion and post-abortion services.”*

- **Questions asked by UN member states about the situation in Indonesia**
- **Indonesia received SRHR recommendations during its UPR27**
- **The outcome reports will be adopted in SEPTEMBER 2017**
- **Recommendations will provide an important avenue for your advocacy at the national level.**



# Advocating for controversial issues like Abortion



1. Do you have any examples of Advocacy on controversial issues like **Abortion** that you organization deals with on National and or International level?
2. What do you think about the UPR as a **human rights** mechanism to hold governments accountable for obligations regarding **SRHR-Abortion**?
3. Does your organization provide TA/CS on **Advocacy** for controversial issues in countries and can you give an example of this?



# Summary/ Outcomes of the Simavi Table

A number of issues and ideas were discussed at the Simavi table during the Share-Net event. Some highlights to be noted on this occasion are the following:



- Going from policy to action. Some ideas were shared on how to bring issues from the ground to the international level but also how can international commitments be useful on national level (implementation of Human Rights treaties, SDGs and other SRHR relevant documents)“ How to take policy wins to community level”
- It is good to find the rights language (Key Messages) in advocating for controversial issues like Abortion at national but also international level.
- The case of Simavi is an example of technical assistance at capacity building in-country for local partners. Working with Human Rights Instruments and review mechanism at national, regional and international level can be complex thus there is a need to train partners and relevant stakeholder.
- The local situation and national dialogues should be taken into account.
- A comment was made on the methods used in Advocating on controversial issues on national and international level. Some experiences were shared on using photo-voice and national champions that can bring key messages over to policy maker.