



# G-Concerns Newsletter

## October 2019

**SILENCE IS NO OPTION**  
WOMEN IN KASHMIR  
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### Silence Is No Option: 72 Women Are Demanding Attention For Their Sisters In Kashmir

On International Peace Day, Gender Concerns International launched its 'Silence is No Option' Campaign by releasing a YouTube Video. With this video our Group of 72 Women expresses its concerns over and solidarity with the women in Kashmir, who have been the main victims of this dispute for the past 72 years.

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### Women Remain Underrepresented In Political Office In Switzerland

With upcoming Federal elections on 20th October 2019 in Switzerland, Gender Concerns International finds it imperative that more is done to address gender disparity in the country's election process.

*Meeting with Alliance F Co-Presidents Maya Graf and Kathrin Bertschy at the Bundeshaus*

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### Celebrating 30 Years Of Switzerland's Participation In International Election Observation

To mark its 30 years of Swiss participation in international election observation missions, the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA) organized a celebratory event in Bern.

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## Climate Strike – Our Team Joins Thousands Of Youngsters

From the 20th to the 27th of September young people from over 150 countries took to the streets to call to an end of the use of fossil fuels. In the Netherlands on 27th September, the largest show of strengths was demonstrated at Malieveld in the Hague

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## Tunisian Parliamentary Elections Concluded With 41% Voter Turnout

The total turnout stretched only to 41%, well below the 60% recorded in the 2014 parliamentary election. The current political scene remains diverse and divided. The coalition formation negotiation is expected to take weeks or months

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## Women In Sudan: Moving Forward

After months of protests, mostly led by women, Sudan is on a road to the democracy it has been fighting for. [Read More](#)

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## Afghanistan Presidential Elections: Biometric System Impacted Low Rate Of Afghan Women Voters

Women's electoral participation since long has been a challenge for Afghan Election Management Bodies, the newly implemented anti-fraud measures have further impacted the scope of female vote, as justly was feared by women rights and other civil society organizations in Afghanistan.

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## MP Seham Sergiwa Kidnapping Case Remains Unresolved

One of Libya's most prominent female politicians and women's rights activist's MP Seham Sergiwa was kidnapped earlier this year in July after criticizing the military assault on Tripoli. This incident, in combination with the many other human rights violations taking place in Libya, has triggered response from the international community.

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