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# Improving women's access to justice in five Eastern Partnership countries



























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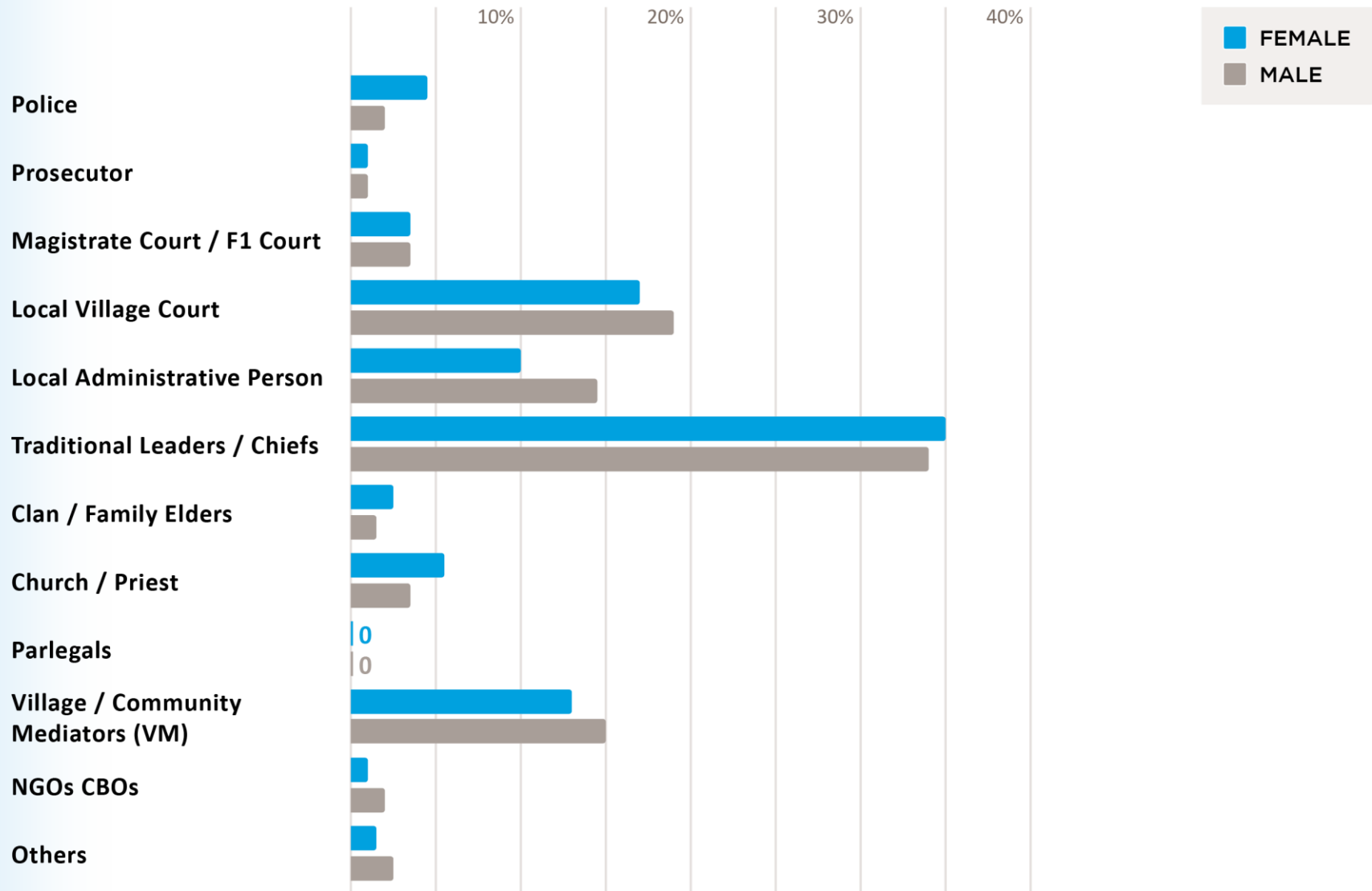
DETERMINANT	JUSTICE INTERVENTION	% OF COUNTRY REPORTS
 <b>Enabling environment</b>	Legislative reform	<b>82%</b> (58/71)
	Justice sector policies	<b>42%</b> (30/71)
	Gender budgeting	<b>18%</b> (13/71)
 <b>Institutional capacity</b>	Capacity development of justice-chain personnel	<b>69%</b> (49/71)
	Gender sensitive infrastructure and Institutional processes	<b>58%</b> (41/71)
	Legal assistance and representation	<b>32%</b> (23/71)
	Accountability mechanism	<b>11%</b> (8/71)
	Monitoring and evaluation	<b>41%</b> (29/71)
 <b>Empowering women</b>	Legal awareness, education or advocacy	<b>68%</b> (48/71)
	Efforts to promote women's participation in justice institutions	<b>23%</b> (16/71)

REGION	FORMAL	INFORMAL	BOTH (PLURAL JUSTICE SYSTEM)
Americas and the Caribbean	92% (11/12) ●●●●●●●●●● ●●	- ●●●●●●●●●● ●●	8% (1/12) ●●●●●●●●●● ●●
Asia and Pacific	55% (10/18) ●●●●●●●●●● ●●●●●●●●	- ●●●●●●●●●● ●●●●●●●●	45% (8/18) ●●●●●●●●●● ●●●●●●●●
Arab States	86% (6/7) ●●●●●●●●	- ●●●●●●●●	14% (1/7) ●●●●●●●●
East and Southern Africa	54% (7/13) ●●●●●●●●●● ●●●●	- ●●●●●●●●●● ●●●●	46% (6/13) ●●●●●●●●●● ●●●●
Europe and Central Asia	83% (10/12) ●●●●●●●●●● ●●	- ●●●●●●●●●● ●●	17% (2/12) ●●●●●●●●●● ●●
West and Central Africa	89% (8/9) ●●●●●●●●●	- ●●●●●●●●●●	11% (1/9) ●●●●●●●●●

# Focus on specific legal issues

REGION	VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN	FAMILY (MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE) RIGHTS	INHERITANCE RIGHTS	PROPERTY RIGHTS	LABOUR RIGHTS
Americas and the Caribbean	12 countries 	5 countries 	-	1 country 	6 countries 
Asia and Pacific	17 countries 	5 countries 	1 country 	2 countries 	7 countries 
Arab States	6 countries 	2 countries 	-	1 country 	1 country 
East and Southern Africa	13 countries 	8 countries 	2 countries 	3 countries 	2 countries 
Europe and Central Asia	11 countries 	2 countries 	-	2 countries 	3 countries 
West and Central Africa	7 countries 	1 country 	-	1 country 	2 countries 

# Preference for justice forums by sex



	Administrative	Criminal	Civil	Family	Total
Male	41%	40%	65%	6%	29%
Female	59%	60%	35%	94%	71%

- An adaptable UN Programming Manual: UN Women, UNDP, UNODC and OHCHR
- Bridges the human rights, development and peace and security agendas
- Addresses gaps in programming
- Proposes a theory of change on women's access to justice
- Operationalizes CEDAW General recommendation no. 33 on women's access to justice
- In the spirit of Agenda 2030 vision of "leave no one behind" and supporting the implementation of SDG 5 and 16
- Promoting the Peace Building Goals and the Women, Peace and Security resolutions

- Capacity gap assessment
- Desk review of the women's access to justice landscape
- Commissioning of thematic papers
- Focus Group Discussions
- Expert interviews
- International Expert Group Meeting (October 17-18 2016)





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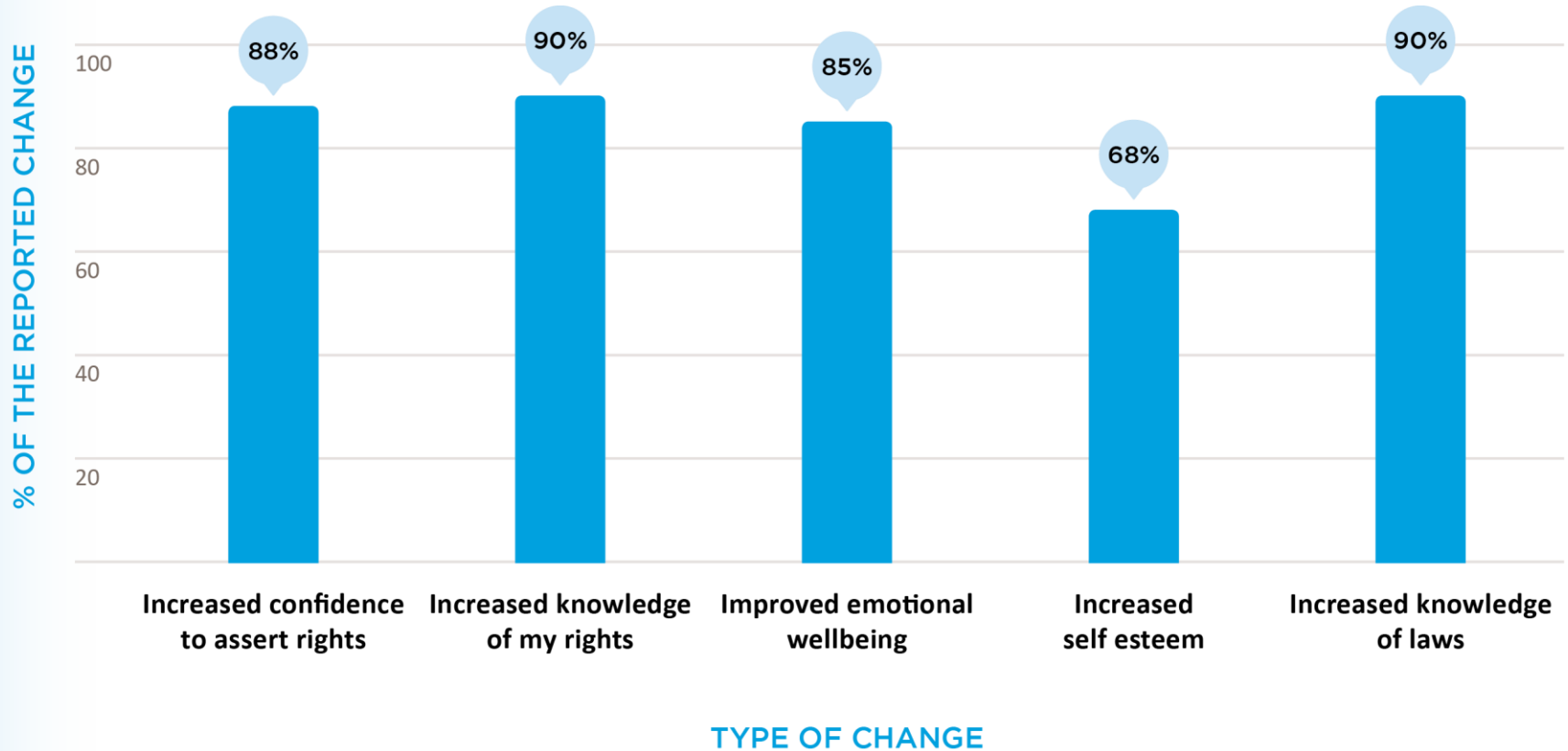
# Examples of Good Practices

## Waiver and Deferment of Court Fees

Country	<i>Egypt</i>	<i>Iraq</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Lebanon</i>	<i>Syria</i>	<i>West Bank &amp; Gaza</i>
Waiver	X	X		X		
Deferment		X	X		X	X

Sources: Egypt - Law no. 90/1944 on Judicial and Registry Fees, as amended by Law no. 126/2009; Iraq - Law 114 of 1981 (Code of Justice Fees); Jordan – Code of Civil Procedure; Lebanon – Legislative Decree No. 90 of 1983 (Code of Civil Procedure); Syria - Law No.27 of 2010 (Law of Judicial, Fees, Guarantees and Expenses); West Bank – Civil Procedure Code. Cited in World Bank. 2012. Delivery of Justice to the Poor. How are Middle East Governments Addressing Gaps? Washington D.C. Table II, p 5

# Reported Changes in Women's Lives



- Number of cases filed
- Number of cases disposed
- Clearance rate
- Timeliness
- Pending: disposal ratio
- Age of pending
- Outcome
- Orders
- Attendance rate
- Workload efficiency
- Data quality



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Thank you