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## Annual Report

# Gender Studies and Information Organization

Organization's activities report for  
2020



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## General information

Gender Studies and Information Organization GSIO is one of Iraqi non-governmental organizations NGOs that authorized by General Secretariat of Ministers Council in Baghdad No. **1075356** which established in **9 May, 2102**. And GSIO was registered by Kurdistan NGOs Directorate under the license number (**ط-034**), which was issued on **26 March, 2013**.

GSIO aims to define and raise public awareness by means of, Gender Equality and the principles of Human Rights. It is a Non Governmental and Non-profit organization, with an independent entity. Which deals with Women Gender issues, and work for the consolidation of Democracy and the rule of Law, as well as building strong civil society through implementing programs and projects.

GSIO is an active member of many social organizational networks as:

- 1- Human Rights Watch Network in Kurdistan.**
- 2- Shams (Sun) Network for Election Monitoring.**
- 3- The MAF Network for NGOs Law.**
- 4- Justice Network for Prisoners in Iraq.**
- 5- Non-violence network in Kurdistan.**
- 6- Platform (No for Female Genital Mutilation).**
- 7- Erbil Coordinator of the UPR Group.**
- 8- Member of the Anti-Human Trafficking Network.**



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- 9- Member of the Zhyan (Life) Group, Anti Woman-Based Violence.
- 10- Member of (Insaan Group) for monitoring human rights violations in Iraq.
- 11- Member of Election Awareness Forum in Erbil.
- 12- Member of Women Defenders of Human Rights network on Iraq.
- 13- Member of Minorities Alliance Network at the level of Iraq.
- 14- The leaders of (Womens Voice for Womens) on Iraq's level.

#### The Organization most important activities during 2020

During 2020 and because of Covid 19 (Corona) pandemic, our organizational activities were less than usual, also two of our projects were postponed. Otherwise than that her it is our most important activities for 2020:

1. On 07 February 2020, a meeting of the organizations that implemented (Madad) project, with an international spicialist observer to evaluate the projects that were implemented in Kurdistan Region.





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2. On **25-26 February 2020**, participating in a special gathering in Hague - Netherlands with a group of partners with the State Committee for Missing Persons (**ICMP**) for the purpose of establishing a plan with an effective precedures to provide the best services for the families of missing people during the war in Syria.





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3. On **08 March 2020**, Visiting the Supreme Council for Women's Affairs with members of our organization, on International Women's Day occasion and congratulating Dr. Khanzad Ahmed on taking the responsibility of the General Secretary of the Supreme Council for Women in Kurdistan.



4. For the purpose of providing assistance to the members of the society, especially to minorities, among the activities of our organization which is to provide psychological and social support in several languages (Kurdish - Arabic - Syriac - Turkmen) with the funding from the Norwegian Aid Organization and the Minorities Alliance Network. This project was implemented by our organization implemented in both languages (Kurdish – Turkish) via mobile communication, psychosocial support was provided to children of minorities who were exposed to psychological and social trauma and crises in the light of the Corona virus by specialized researchers, a number of families (250 families) were benefited. The project implemented from 10-4-2020 to 25-5-2020 with the support from NPA-AIM.





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مشروع تعزيز حقوق الأقليات العراقية

نظرا لأوضاع انتشار فايروس كورونا (COVID-19)

تحالف الاقليات العراقية بالتعاون مع جمعية الثقافة المندانية و منظمة الدراسات و المعلومات الجندرية و بدعم من منظمة مساعدات الشعب النرويجي تقدم الدعم النفسي و الاجتماعي لأبناء الأقليات ممن تعرضوا الى صدمات و أزمات نفسية و اجتماعية من قبل باحثين متخصصين و باللغات الأربعة (عربي / كوردي / سرياني / تركماني) .

من خلال الخدمات المجانية ، على مدار أيام الأسبوع من (الأحد إلى الخميس) من الساعة 9:00 صباحاً وحتى 4:00 مساءً من خلال الإتصال الهاتفي (فايبر - واتساب) أو عبر وسائل التواصل الاجتماعي (فيس بوك - تويتر) ، و للوصول الى الخدمات أخرى تكون عن طريق الإتصال عبر هواتف الباحثين :

البحث اللغة الهاتف	رفيق حنا السريانية 07515367321	شيرين حسام الدين التركمانية 07515340672	حسن عبدالحميد العربية 07515367260	رمزية عبدالوهاب الكوردية 07515367258
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و لأجل الإتصال عبر وسائل التواصل الاجتماعي نرجو زيارة الموقع الإلكتروني لشبكة تحالف الاقليات العراقية

[www.aim-iq.net](http://www.aim-iq.net)

5. Among the activities of our organization during the holy month of Ramadan is distribution of financial aid and foodbasket to 90 families in need, widows and people with special needs in the district of Bnaslaw, Ankawa sub-district, Shaways and some shops in Erbil, with funding and assistance from the Bakhtiari company.





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6. On **10 June 2020**, Meeting with Mr. (Haji Ezz El-Din), the legal advisor in the Directorate of Combating Domestic Violence, to follow up on some cases of domestic violence for women and how to refer cases and coordinate between the directorate organization for the purpose of solving problems of domestic violence





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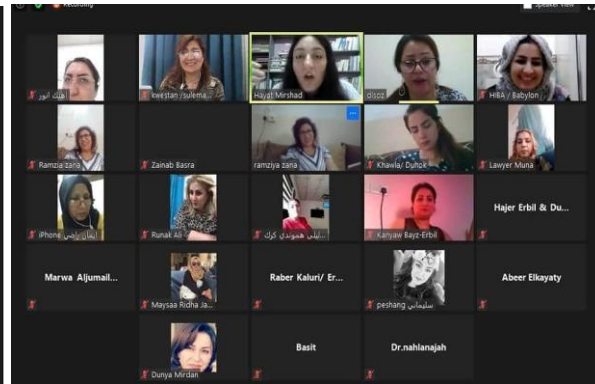
7. On **07 July 2020**, Participation in a special panel, the organizations vision of the NGO law in Kurdistan, the extent to which the NGO Department is doing its work, and what we do to improve its performance. funded by STOP organization and USAID.



8. On **30 June to 08 July 2020**, The participation of two members of our organization in the training workshop on getting support and advocacy campaigns with the participation of women's organizations across Iraq for eight days by the Internews organization throughout Zoom program.



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9. 23 July 2020, The participation of members of our organization in the campaign (continue), initiated by the organization (freedom of empowerment and individuality) and with the participation of a number of governmental personalities, activists and non-governmental organizations in Erbil, five thousand face masks were distributed to citizens to prevent Coronavirus and citizens' commitment to health guideline were promoted.







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10. On 14 september 2020 At the invitation of Mr. (Stephen Hickey), the British ambassador in Iraq, a special meeting was conducted with four organizations and the Supreme Council for Women in the Kurdistan Region on Resolution 1325 of the UN Security Council on (Women - Security - Peace). Our organization is one of the organizations that worked to implement this decision for years and Continuing to implement the decision in the Kurdistan Region.



11. On 23 november 2020, A meeting of some organizations and the Erbil Governorate Council with DAI organization at the center of our organization in Ankawa for the purpose of implementing some projects in coordination between the organizations and the Erbil Governorate Council.





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12. On 25 november 2020, On the first day of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, we participated with a group of women's rights activists and civil society organizations sponsored by the (Iema) organization for a women's march over the Citadel of Erbil and lit candles in respect of the victims souls from family violence.





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13. On 27 to 29 november, Among the activities of our organization is a training workshop on the rights of religious minorities within the program (Promoting the Rights of Iraqi Minorities) for (25) members of the Minorities Alliance Network at the level of Iraq funded by NPA organization and the Iraqi Minorities Alliance Network.







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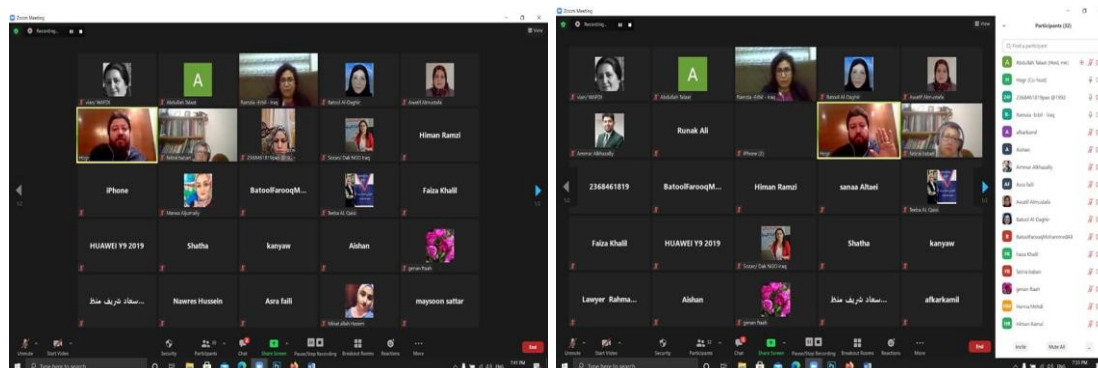
14. On 21 to 31 december 2020, Implementation of the (Women's Voice for Women Campaign) within the Iraq Democracy Project, funded by NPA and PAO.

Some of the project activities: An announcement to form an advocacy campaign team under the title (Women's Voice for Women) in the upcoming parliamentary elections for the Iraqi Parliament through:

**First:** Announcing a form for women's organizations to join, in the Iraqi governorates.

**Second:** The establishment of an online workshop for two days on (the new election law and the opportunity for women to exceed the 25% quota, setting priorities for a women's movement for the upcoming elections, choosing a leadership body to lead an advocacy campaign, and developing a future action plan).

**Third:** Create a Facebook page for the campaign and announce the campaign to the press and public opinion.



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