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Annual Report

Gender Studies and Information Organization

Organization's activities report for 2018



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 nongovernmental 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.**
- 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.**



The Organizations most important activities during 2018

1- Implementing a project for Anti gender-based violence among women and young displaced girls, funded by UNFPA and Qandil Organization in a duration between 2-1-2018 Till 31-12-2018, in Ankawa and Shawes.

The project was about spreading awareness among displaced women in two centers: Ankawa and Shawes, also conduct training courses in (Sewing, Salon and hairdressing, teaching English language And Computer) in addition to Psychological and Social counseling. Each course included 20 to 30 woman in each center, 22 courses were conducted in each center, 10 days for each course. The project implemented in four stages, a stage every three months. There were a number of 296 beneficiaries from training courses in Ankawa center, 1697 beneficiaries from awareness lectures by social workers, 1356 beneficiaries from psychological support lectures, 1660 field visits, 74 baskets of Al-karamah (الكرامة) were distributed. Also there were a number of 327 beneficiaries from training courses in Shawes center, 1445 beneficiaries from awareness lectures by social workers, 285



beneficiaries from psychological support lectures, **2278** field visits, **125** baskets of Al-karamah (الكرامة) were distributed. A total of **9543** beneficiaries (displaced, refugees and locals) was achieved from both centers.

Project duration: **12** months.

Note: the project was implemented in four stages as following:

- 1- From 2nd January 2018, till 1st April 2018.**
- 2- From 1st April 2018, till 1st July 2018.**
- 3- From 1st July 2018, till 1st October 2018.**
- 4- From 1st October 2018, till 31 December 2018.**





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2- From **28 January 2018** till **1st February 2018**, GISO participated in a training workshop called **(Social norms and changing)** Among other organizations from (**Iraq, Yemen, Lebanon, Sudan, Djibouti and Morocco**), it was about females circumcision and the marriage of minors phenomenons, and the role of customs and traditions, also how to treat this phenomenons.



3- On **17 February 2018**, at the meeting of administration committee of Justice Network for Prisoners that was held in Baghdad, in the presence of the founding committee of the network in all Iraq, our organization (**GSIO**) attended as one of the founding committee of the network since the **2006** until now.



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4- On 11 February 2018, until 22 February 2018, implemented a course for teaching hairdressing to (25) of displaced women and Yazidi girls in Ankawa center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



5- On 11 February 2018, until 22 February 2018, implemented a course for teaching hairdressing to (32) women of refugees, locals and



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displaced women and girls in Shawes center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



6- On 04 March 2018, until 15 March 2018, implemented a course for teaching Computer to (20) women of refugees, locals and displaced women and girls in Shawes center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.





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7- On 04 March 2018, until 15 March 2018, implemented a course for teaching Sewing to (28) displaced women at camp Harshem in Ankawa for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



8- On 08 March 2018, implemented an activity celebrating International Women's Day.





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9- On 08 April 2018, until 18 April 2018, implemented a course for teaching Sewing to (32) displaced women at camp Harshem in Ankawa for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



10- On 08 April 2018, until 18 April 2018, implemented a course for teaching Sewing to (32) of refugees and displaced women and girls at our center in shawes for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.





11- On 18 April 2018, a contract has been signed at Babel hotel for an election awareness project for displaced and minorities in Kirkuk and its districts: Hawija, Daquq and Dibis. It was funded by DAI organization.



12- GSIO activities from 10 April 2018 until 10 May 2018, preparations were made and implemented the project for an election awareness for displaced and minorities in Kirkuk and its districts: Hawija, Daquq and Dibis. It was funded by Creative and DAI organization.

Project duration: 16 Days. From 22 April to 9 May, before two days from voting in the elections, (26) Volunteers contributed both male and female, beneficiaries were (15795), the activities were done as following:

1- Training course for the project staff.



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- 2- Field's visits, , beneficiaries were (15795) persons.
- 3- Install 10 big sheets in the four districts.
- 4- Conduct 10 dialogue sessions for women and men in the 4 districts.
- 5- Using media in spreading the awareness, two of Kirkuk's radio stations were participated.
- 6- Distribute 30000 brochures about how to contribute in the elections, election awareness and voting motivating.





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13- On 17 April 2018, training 26 persons of our staff in Kirkuk that pursued the implementation of election awareness project for displaced and minorities in Kirkuk and its districts: Hawija, Daquq and Dibi funded by **DAI** organization.



14- On 30 April 2018, Conduct a lecture to (31) women (arrested and imprisoned) in the reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, it was about



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the rights of prisoners in international treaties, funded by **NPA** - and the Justice Network for Prisoners.



15- On **13 may 2018**, until **24 may 2018**, implemented a course for teaching sewing to (27) of displaced women and girls in Ankawa center for 10 days, funded by **UNFPA – QANDIL**.



16- On **02 may 2018**, Conduct a lecture to (34) women (arrested and imprisoned) in the reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, it was about



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the rights of prisoners in international treaties, funded by **NPA** - and the Justice Network for Prisoners.



17- On 06 may 2018, Conduct a lecture to (52) women (arrested and imprisoned) in the reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, it was about the rights of prisoners in international treaties, funded by **NPA** - and the **Justice Network for Prisoners**.





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18- On 08 may 2018, Conduct a lecture to (34) women (arrested and imprisoned) in the reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, it was about the rights of prisoners in international treaties, funded by NPA - and the Justice Network for Prisoners.



19- On 09 may 2018, Conduct a lecture to (27) juveniles (arrested and imprisoned) in the reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, it was about the rights of prisoners in international treaties, funded by NPA - and the Justice Network for Prisoners.



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20- On 10 may 2018, Conduct a lecture to (36) juveniles (arrested and imprisoned) in the reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, it was about the rights of prisoners in international treaties, funded by **NPA** - and the **Justice Network for Prisoners**.



21- On 13 may 2018, Conduct a lecture to (28) juveniles (arrested and imprisoned) in the reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, it was about



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the rights of prisoners in international treaties, funded by **NPA** - and the **Justice Network for Prisoners**.



22- On 15 may 2018, Conduct a lecture to (35) juveniles (arrested and imprisoned) in the reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, it was about the rights of prisoners in international treaties, funded by **NPA** - and the **Justice Network for Prisoners**.





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23- On 20 may 2018, electing GSIO administrative committee, commit a meeting included GSIO staff and the elected administrative committee witch included:

1. Ramziah Abdulwahab Amin - CEO.
2. Bushra mezhir Jasem – Vice CEO.
3. Fairoz Mohammad Amin – Projects Officer.
4. Tanya mohammad Amin – Relation Department Officer.
5. Cladyse luice shaker – Media Department Officer.



24- On 08 July 2018, until 19 July 2018, implemented a course for teaching hairdressing to (30) of displaced women and girls in Ankawa center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



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25- On 08 July 2018, until 19 July 2018, implemented a course for teaching hairdressing to (30) women of refugees, locals and displaced women and girls in Shawes center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



26- On 08 August 2018, GISO participated in a training workshop about female circumcised in Kurdistan, sponsored by The Supreme Council for Women and UNFPA organization, to prepare a plan to reduce then



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stop female circumcised in Kurdistan, and our organization GSIO has had a prominent role in Anti female circumcised at Kurdistan level..



27- On 10 August 2018, GISO had celebrated the International Youth Day throughout our activities with attendance of (150) young men and women at Kurdistan level as a coordinator, then as a facilitator for an



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open dialogue session to (20) man and women about gender and gender discrimination in Kurdistan that lasted for 3 days in Shaqlawa.





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28- On 19 August 2018, GISO had distributed cleaning materials on displaced families at Shawes center, with the support of UNFPA and QANDIL organization.



29- On 19 August 2018, GISO had distributed cleaning materials on displaced families at Ankawa center, with the support of UNFPA and QANDIL organization.





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30- On 09 September 2018, GISO had participated in the Good Governance and Responsibility conference in Iraq (IGPA Spcialised in both program and activities for the second year of working in Kurdistan).



31- On 09 September 2018, until 20 September 2018, implemented a course for teaching English Language to (34) women of refugees, locals and displaced women and girls in Shawes center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



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32- On **17 September 2018**, coordinated with (**Bring Hope**) organization, GISO organized a celebration to (**100**) Students (Yazidis, Kakais, Christians, Turks and Arabs) on the new school year in the name of coexistence and peace between all components in Kurdistan, at the end, gifts were distributed to the students.





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33- On 09 September 2018, until 20 September 2018, implemented a course for teaching English language to (35) of Syrians women and men in Ankawa center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



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34- On 23 September 2018, distributed cleaning materials on (32) displaced Yazidi's, supported by Bring Hope organization.



35- On (25-26) September 2018, GISO participated in a training workshop about (monitoring and bloggong techniques) for human rights deffinders and women activists at Iraq's level.



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36- On 30 September 2018, GISO had visited several election's centers in Erbil for Kurdistan parliament elections as a monitor from Shams network.



37- On 30 September 2018, a meeting for the Multinational team took place in the presence of: Mr. Karim Sanjari (Interior Minister), Mrs. Bakhshan Zangana (General Secretary of the Supreme Council for women in Kurdistan), Secerariats of the National Team in Baghdad



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Municipality, Members of (ministries in the federal government, a number of general directorates, government's institutions in the provincial government, civilian's organizations in Kurdistan, and the media. Discussed The second national plan for implementing the national plan to Security council resolution No. (1325) regarding (Women - Security - Peace) that was held in Erbil.



38- On 07 October 2018, until 18 October 2018, implemented a course for teaching hairdressing to (34) women of refugees, locals and displaced women and girls in Shawes center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



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39- On 07 October 2018, until 18 October 2018, implemented a course for teaching English Language to (40) Christians women and men in Ankawa center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



40- On 21 October 2018, visited women's market in Terawah, and distribute Al-karamah's baskets on several workers there, funded by UNFPA.



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41- On 12 November 2018, until 14 November 2018, within the program of supporting democracy in Iraq, a project was discussed about widening people's participations in the decision-making process on provincial's level. GSIO participated as a member of the Democratic Support Committee in Erbil, the project lasted for two years, and funded by **(Iraqi Al-Amal Association - NPA - PAO - RID)**.

Participants: **3** members of Erbil Governorate, University's Professors, the Independent Commission for Human Rights, the Chamber of Commerce in Erbil, the District Commissioner of Erbil, Interior Ministry and our organization (GSIO).



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42- On 25 November 2018, (16) GSIO's members participated in the world's day campaign against violence against women.



43- On 12 November 2018, until 25 November 2018, implemented a course for teaching Handicrafting to (21) Christians women and girls in Ankawa center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



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44- On 26 November 2018, (50) medical pillows and other gifts were distributed at the Shelter of battered women in Erbil, coordinated with Bring Hope organization.



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45- On 26 November 2018, (100) medical pillows and other gifts were distributed at the directorate of reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, coordinated with Bring Hope organization.



46- On 12 November 2018, until 25 November 2018, implemented a course for teaching English Language to (32) Students of refugees and displaced in Shawes center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



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47- On 26 November 2018, until 06 December 2018, implemented a course for teaching English Language to (32) Christians women and men in Ankawa center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



48- On 26 November 2018, until 06 December 2018, implemented a course for teaching English Language to (32) Students of refugees and displaced in Shawes center for 10 days, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



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49- On 29 November 2018, Conduct a lecture to (34) women in the world's day against violence against women, funded by UNFPA.



50- On 03 December 2018, gifts were distributed on (250) Kids at Awizan kindergarten, coordinated with Bring Hope organization.



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51- On **05 December 2018**, women and kids clothes were distributed on **(49)** Yazidi's families that lives in a bad situations, funded by **Bring Hope** organization.



52- On **06 December 2018**, opened an exhibition of handicrafts at our center in Shawes, funded by **UNFPA**.



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53- On 25 November 2018, until 10 December 2018, Conduct several lectures as an activities at our centers in Ankawa and Shawes to Junior high's girls and boys in the world's day against violence against women, funded by **UNFPA – QANDIL**.





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54- On **05 December 2018**, gifts and clothes for women and kids were distributed on **(20)** displaced families in Bahirka, coordinated with **Bring Hope** organization.



55- On **10 December 2018**, gifts were distributed on **(40)** working women at Manual carpet factory in Bahirka district as an activity in the world's day against violence against women, coordinated with **Bring Hope** organization.





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56- On 10 December 2018, the last day of the course for teaching English Language to (32) Students of refugees and displaced in Shawes center, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



57- On 11 December 2018, the last day of the course for teaching English Language to (32) Christian women and girls in Ankawa center, funded by UNFPA – QANDIL.



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58- On 17 December 2018, gifts were distributed on (41) children of convicted women at the directorate of reform of women and juveniles in Erbil, coordinated with Bring Hope organization.



59- On 19 December 2018, gifts were distributed on Yazidi's childrens at a deserted unfinished building in Ankawa, coordinated with Bring Hope organization.



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60- On 27 December 2018, a meeting took place of a group of Local organizations, activists, and the Directorate of Combating Domestic Violence about the case of (Siwan Qadir and her three children) who died burned as victims of domestic violence.



61- On 27 December 2018, The Note of a group of Local organizations, activists, and the Directorate of Combating Domestic Violence about the



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case of (Siwan Qadir and her three children) who died burned as victims of domestic violence to public opinion and the competent authorities.



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