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The Naya Nothing: Imran Khan talks of women empowerment while Faisal Vawda tells women to go back to the kitchen

The Express Tribune (Oct 30, 2018)

Politics in Pakistan has oft been marred by misogynist comments, passed on by smirking alphamales. Over the years, lawmakers were found indulging in questionable conversations that included queer, sexist subjects such as the femininity of a woman, to the ... Read More

Male Champions of Change (MCC) pledge to improve gender equality in Pakistan

The Payment Week (Oct 29, 2018)

ISLAMABAD – October 29, 2018: Top CEOs today launched a new group to promote gender equality in their companies. Male Champions of Change (MCC) Pakistan unites male corporate leaders in encouraging women's participation at all levels of employment ... Read More

Women suffering in conflict

The Express Tribune (Oct 29, 2018)

Undervalued and marginalised, women's empowerment continues to be a monstrous task. Pakistan's Ambassador to the UN, Maleeha Lodhi, recently stressed the need to recognise the disadvantages women face in regions plagued by conflict at the Security ... Read More

Pakistan urges UN to protect women suffering from foreign occupation

The Geo News (Oct 27, 2018)

NEW YORK: Pakistan on Friday urged the UN Security Council to focus on protracted conflicts especially Jammu and Kashmir and Palestine to protect women who continue to suffer disproportionately from the violence perpetuated by foreign occupation ... Read More

IWCCI asks govt to encourage women empowerment

The Pakistan Today (Oct 27, 2018)

ISLAMABAD: Islamabad Women's Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IWCCI) on Saturday asked the government to promote women empowerment to ensure rapid social and economic development as it was noted that only seven percent of women have a financial ... Read More

Women's participation vital to success of national peace-building efforts

The Pakistan Observer (Oct 26, 2018)

Speakers at a one-day workshop here on Thursday termed women the 'agents of change' who can play a robust role in building peace across the country and prove themselves an integral part of a sustainable nation-building exercise. The event titled 'Role of ... Read More

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Father's name not required on identification documents, SC told

The Pakistan Today (Oct 24, 2018)

A Supreme Court bench headed by Chief Justice of Pakistan Mian Saqib Nisar was informed by senior counsel Makhdoom Ali Khan that "it was not necessary to display the name of the father on the identification documents provided such information was available in the ... Read More

Truck artist paints messages to campaign for female literacy

The Pakistan Today (Oct 21, 2018)

Samar Minallah, anthropologist and documentary filmmaker, has recruited truck artists and owners under the Asian Development Project's Legal Literacy for Women in Punjab initiative to paint women empowerment messages on their trucks. This project is a ... Read More

Pakistan's 'good' and 'bad' feminisms

The Himal Mag South Asian (Oct 18, 2018)

Transgressing Boundaries, an art installation by Karachi-based artist Nisha Pinjani, depicts several women in various positions all tied together by their hair. A thick black braid grows out of each woman's head and proceeds to get in every woman's way. In binding ... Read More

The silent majority

The Nation (Oct 18, 2018)

Fragility thy name is Women - Recently, in Lahore the horrific suicide of Anum Tanoli (A Pakistani model) was an instance unforgettable for perhaps millions of girls in Pakistan who face the fear of shaming every day and perhaps are on the verge of losing themselves ... Read More

Saying 'No' to workplace harassment

The Pakistan Today (Oct 18, 2018)

As it is commonly said that society is a vehicle and the two genders i.e. male and female are the wheels of the same vehicle sharing equal load of driving it forward towards progress in all spheres. The responsibility of driving a society forward does not rest on any ... Read More

Women participation remains low in by-polls

The Pakistan Today (Oct 14, 2018)

A number of complaints were received by the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) regarding the low participation of women, who make up around 2.3 million of the total voters, in the October 14 by-polls. According to ... Read More

Award-winning rights activists detained and released

The Daily Times (Oct 13, 2018)

A leading women's rights campaigner was detained for nearly nine hours after landing in Islamabad Friday, activists said, sparking an outcry amid fears the space for dissent is shrinking. ... Read More

Pakistani advocate for women empowerment wins the Mother Teresa Award

The Dawn (Oct 8, 2018)

Salman Sufi, the former director general Strategic Reforms Unit of Punjab, has won the 2018 Mother Teresa Award, the advocate told Dawn.com on Monday. Sufi's efforts for women ... Read More