Misogyny, Sexism, Gender and EJK

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STATE OF THE NATION:
ANG ESTADO NG KABABAIHAN SA BANSA
Advocacy Messages

- At no other time, have women been subjected to shaming, humiliation, harassment with impunity by a sitting President than now. The signing of the Safe Spaces Act does not, will not and cannot change the misogynistic, sexist, macho character of Duterte. Our problem is not about the lack of laws but implementation and accountability!

- EJKs have brought women and children another unspeakable tragedy that has far-reaching consequences beyond our time! Contrary to Duterte’s claim that his Drug War is for the future of the Filipino children, it has unfortunately destroyed that future!!
Ang Dami Namang Batas!!!!

- CEDAW (1981)
- Women in Nation-Building Act (1991)
- Anti-Sexual Harassment Act (1995)
- Anti-Rape Act (1997)
- Magna Carta of Women (2009)
- Responsible Parent and Reproductive Health Act (2012)
- Expanded Maternity Leave Law (2019)
- Safe Spaces Act (2019)

If it were just a matter of laws, the Philippines is heaven for gender!!!
The Gender Perspective: Misogyny and Sexism

What Is Misogyny?

- Comes from the mid-17th century Greek word “misos” meaning hatred and “gune” meaning women.

- Hatred of, Contempt for, or Prejudice Against Women and Girls

- Examples: Belittling of Women, Male Privilege, Sex Discrimination, Violence Against Women, Sexual Objectification, Social Exclusion
Ano ba ang ibig sabihin ng MISOGYNY?

Ito ay matinding galit o malalim na poot sa mga BABAЕ.

Mga halimbawa:
Pambabastos, karahasan, diskriminasyon, pagmamaliit,
hindi pagtrato sa babae bilang tao, atbp.

#BabaeAko #LalabanAko
Duterte’s Sexist Statements

- "We will just shoot your vagina, so that – if there is no vagina, it would be useless."

- "Ang nagpasok sa isip ko, nirape nila, pinagpilahan nila doon.... Pero napakaganda, dapat ang mayor muna ang mauna."

- "Sunduin kita doon sa boarding house mo, pasok tayo ng motel, short time lang naman."

- "The come-on is that if you die a martyr, you go to heaven with 42 virgins waiting for you. If I could just make it a come-on also for those who’d like to go to my country."

The penalty for each of these quotes is from P1,000-fine to P10,000-fine and 30 days in prison.

Source: Safe Spaces Act or Republic Act No. 11313
Sexist statements by Pres. Duterte

On women rebels:
“Order bag-o ni Mayor. Di lang daw mo paty on. Pusilon lang sa bisong arong – ‘Og wan a ma’y bisong, wan a ma’y silbi.”
(There’s a new order coming from Mayor. We won’t kill you. We will just shoot your vagina, so that – if there is no vagina, it would be useless.)

On Sen. Leila de Lima:
“Yung video. Hindi niyo tinignan anong klaseng baba e yan? And they come here and say na she’s a prisoner of conscience? My god!”

On VP Leni:
“She was wearing a skirt, her tuhod, was walang ano (no callouses). Sabi ko, hindi nag sisimba ito”

In soldiers stationed in Mindanao:
“If you happen to have raped three women, I will own up to it.”
Psychological Roots of Misogyny

- “Misogyny is typically an unconscious hatred that men form early in life, often as a result of a trauma involving a female figure they trusted. An abusive or negligent mother, sister, teacher or girlfriend planted a seed deep down in the brain’s subcortical matter.”

- Manifestations: Flirtatious, exciting, charismatic and fun; irresistible to rude, rude to irresistible; feels bad if a woman does better than him professionally or socially; makes women feel miserable; despises monogamy.

- Every time they put a woman down, they feel good because bad behavior is rewarded with a dose of pleasure chemical, dopamine.

Source: Berit Brogaard, PhD, University of Miami
Misogyny: Socio-Cultural and Structural Roots

- Misogyny is deeply rooted in patriarchy, a male-dominated power relationship between women and men where the latter enjoy superiority, authority and greater access to resources.

- Patriarchy thrives through a gender socialization process that begins in the home, perpetuated in schools, embedded in religion, practiced in the workplace, and propagated by sexist politics.

- Patriarchy is the single biggest obstacle to gender equality and women’s empowerment and by far, the most difficult to demolish anywhere in the world.

- Laws and public policy intended to address patriarchy such as the Magna Carta of Women, anti_VAW law, etc. are blatantly violated at the highest levels of government. No public accountability.

- CEDAW, the Women’s Rights Convention continues to be violated by state parties to the Convention though the CEDAW Committee has taken states to task and made them report about the status of compliance with their Recommendations.
Misogyny: Impact on Women’s Participation in Politics and Public Policy

- Disempowering Effect: Women fear being insulted, objectified, humiliated (Worst Case: Slut Shaming of Sen. De Lima)

- Setback to Women’s Rights as Human Rights: Magna Carta of Women, Anti-VAW, Anti-SH, CEDAW

- Exclusionary Effect: Strong, Competent Women are excluded from the Roster of Qualified Government Officials at the Highest level of Decision-Making

- Increase in Impunity
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Hindi Nirespeto Bilang VP

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Kinasuhan

Kinulong

Galit yata sila sa mga babaeng mabuhat mag trabaho
Misogyny and VAW

Violence against women (VAW) at least 56 policemen were tagged in rape and sexual abuse of women and children since Duterte assumed presidency.

13 abuse cases against women were committed by cops from January 2017 to July 2018.

1 in 20 women aged 15-49 has experienced some form of sexual violence

of those abused only 2/5 sought help or reported the incident
Sexism in the Workplace

Women in the workplace

46.6% labor force participation of women
from 1995 - 2015 & 2017
1.12M-2.31M are women employed in precarious work

Wages remain stagnant and low for women.
Real value of average daily basic pay (ADBP) of short term, seasonal and casual workers show:

Women receive 6% lower
while men receive 3% higher
than the national average

Sources:
Ibon Foundation,
PSA Labor Force Survey, 2017
Gender and EJK
What is their future?

WE HAVE A GENERATION OF ORPHANS
Stories of Widows and Orphans

- Aida, 36 years old left with 6 children ages 15 to 2 years old: the 14 year-old boy died of leukemia last year; the 15 year old boy lives in with another 15-year old girl, the daughter of another drug user; the 13 year-old girl is in and out of school to take care of 2 younger siblings. The mother, frail and sick is a laundry woman. She is reportedly using drugs now. They used to live in Camarin but was chased out by the landlord and now lives with her parents in Taytay but in constant fight with her relatives.
Story of Lola Myra

- Lola Myra is 83 years old, a heart attack survivor. Her son, a junk shop operator, was killed in a tokhang operation in Payatas in 2016 when he came home to celebrate his daughter’s 7th birthday. He left behind four young children ages 16 to 4 who Lola Myra had to take care of because their pregnant mother was arrested by the police and detained. She gave birth in prison. She was subsequently released but unable to cope with the situation and is reportedly into drugs now. Her 16 year-old daughter, a deaf mute lived in with the son of another drug user and she recently gave birth. The cycle begins!!!
Where do we go from here?

- The Catholic Church has spearheaded efforts to provide psych-social, spiritual healing through efforts like Paghilom.

- Faith-based groups such as Bawa't Isa Mahalaga have programs for the orphans.

- Women's groups like Baigani have programs to help women such as Family Camps where grieving widows and mothers participate in sharing and psychosocial counseling sessions, group discussions that help them understand their individual victimization from a larger perspective of social justice, and group discussions that introduce the gender dimensions of EJK. In these camps, the children also undergo age-appropriate play and art therapeutic activities. Teenage girl members of the families who are also vulnerable to exploitation and often bear risky coping strategies for the family survival are also supported.
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Ikaw, ano ang gagawin mo?