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Violence silences: Document. Challenge. Reclaim our right to expression

As part of 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence, Take Back the Tech! campaign invites you to help us reframe the conversation about violence against women as a violation of our fundamental human right to freedom of expression.

2014 Take Back the Tech! campaign



Current Campaign

VIOLENCE SILENCES: DOCUMENT. CHALLENGE. RECLAIM OUR RIGHT TO EXPRESSION. How do you challenge existing inequalities by speaking up? When you voice your thoughts, do you face threats and abuse? How is violence used to disrupt solidarity and collective action where you are? How do you fight back?

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Campaign Kit

Need tips on how to run your own campaign? We love to see people from different parts of the world make the campaign theirs by focusing on what's important in their context, translating materials into their own languages and reaching out to local users and media.

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Organise!

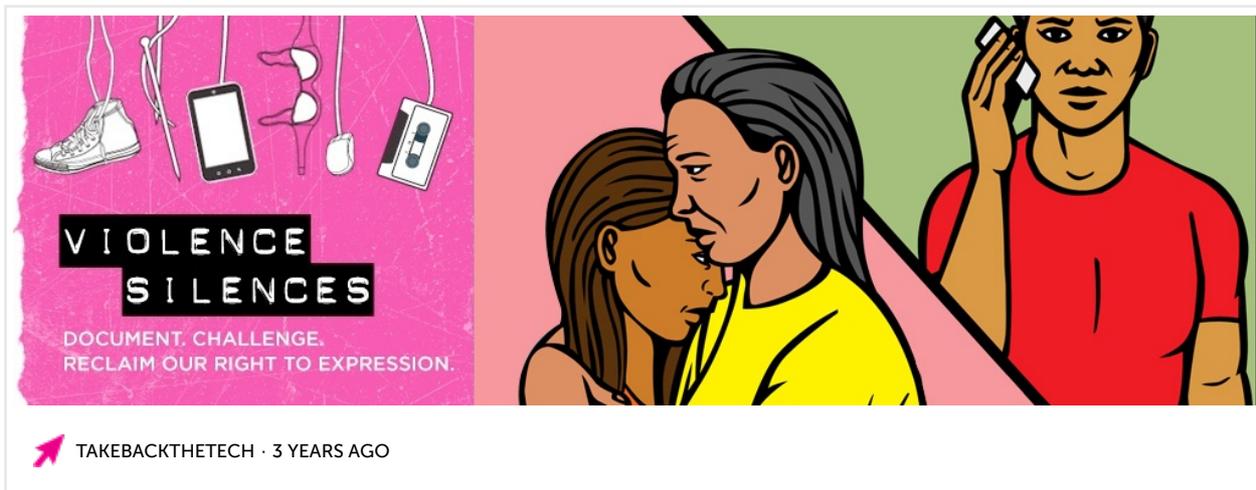
Grow the action and plan a Take Back the Tech! campaign with your community. It can be a rewarding experience where you'll develop new relationships, learn more about the issues and experience a variety of successes, from raising awareness to changing policies. Below are simple steps you can take to organise your Take Back the Tech!

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Speak up!

The world is finally talking about VAW and ICT. Use these talking points and tips when spreading the word about your Take Back The Tech! Campaign. 1. About Take Back the Tech! Take Back The Tech! is a call to everyone, especially women and girls, to take control of technology to end violence against women.

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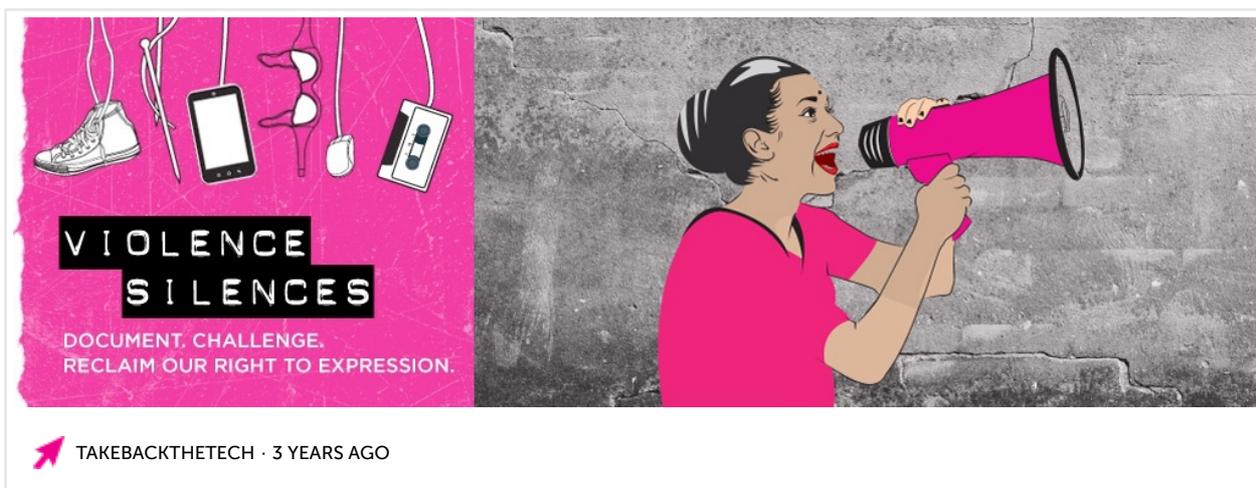


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Build the movement!

When we work together, we strengthen our message of a world free from violence against women. Here are some ways for you to contribute to a strong collective call to Take Back The Tech! and continue building this resource. Take a stand, build the conversation and share what works! 1.

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Action: Document it! How to shoot and share your campaign video



Document it! How to shoot and share your campaign video

We're kicking off this year's 16 Days campaign with videos, and you're the director! All you have to do is pull out your smart phone; interview a few women and girls at school, at work or in your community; get their opinions and permission to share; and publish the video.

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On this International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women, how will you raise your voice? [#takebackthetech](#) [#genderit](#) [@APC_News](#)

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[#takebackthetech](#) loving the new graphic for "Violence Silences" 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence takebackthetech.net/current-campai...

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I'm really proud to be in the 6-timezone team that just launched this campaign takebackthetech.net [#takebackthetech](#) [#16daysofactivism](#)

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[#16daysofactivism](#) starts today, and I am ready to [#takebackthetech](#) - with a rocking new site too! bit.ly/1ffOJ5y

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We shall not be silenced. Women activists take to the streets demanding [#justiceforjenniferlaude](#) [#takebackthetech](#) pic.twitter.com/BbxGmrusM1

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exercising our right to freedom of expression is critical to ending violence and promoting other rights [#16DaysOfActivism](#) [#TakeBackTheTech](#)

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Ask women how violence silences. Document with your phone. Get their consent to share bit.ly/11svUKi via [@takebackthetech](#) #16Days



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How did International VAW Day start? Read about the Mirabal sisters and why you should speak up! bit.ly/1vjMOBP #takebackthetech



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Channel your inner Film Director & share how you think violence silences. bit.ly/1tgLNuM
fb.me/6PvKnGagP



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The graphic features a central yellow circle containing a black silhouette of a woman in a suit, holding a pink whip. Surrounding her are several circular icons: a blue cloud, a yellow smartphone, a pink lightbulb, a blue computer monitor, a yellow briefcase, and a pink mouse cursor. Below the circle, the text 'Agent of change Agentica promjene' is written in a mix of black and pink fonts.

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[@APC_News](#) [@GenderITorg](#) pic.twitter.com/8Rr8sPpJll

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the more visible a woman is online the more she faces abuse and the more digitally connected we are the wider our risk #TakeBackTheTech

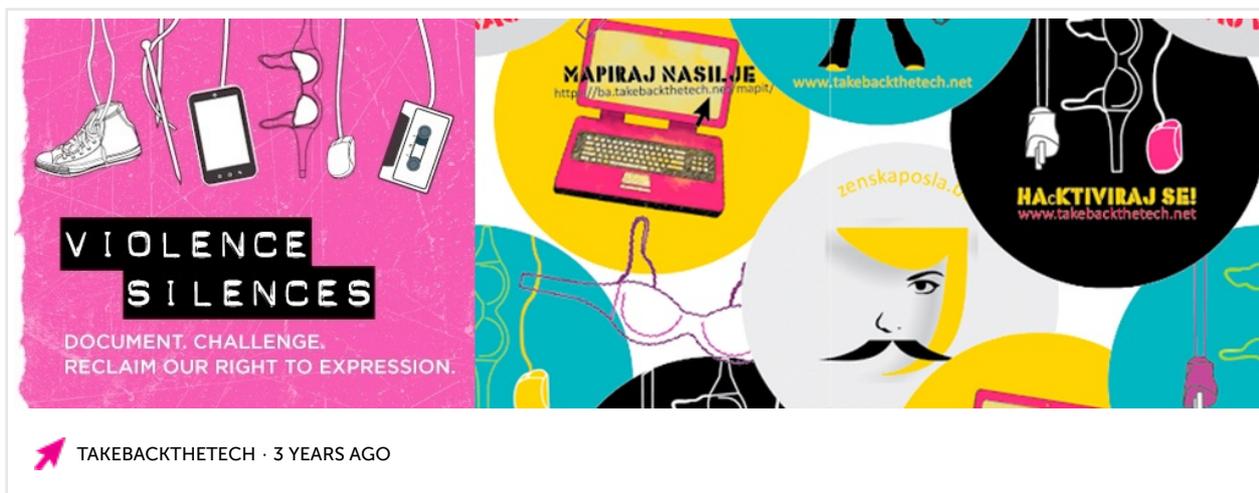
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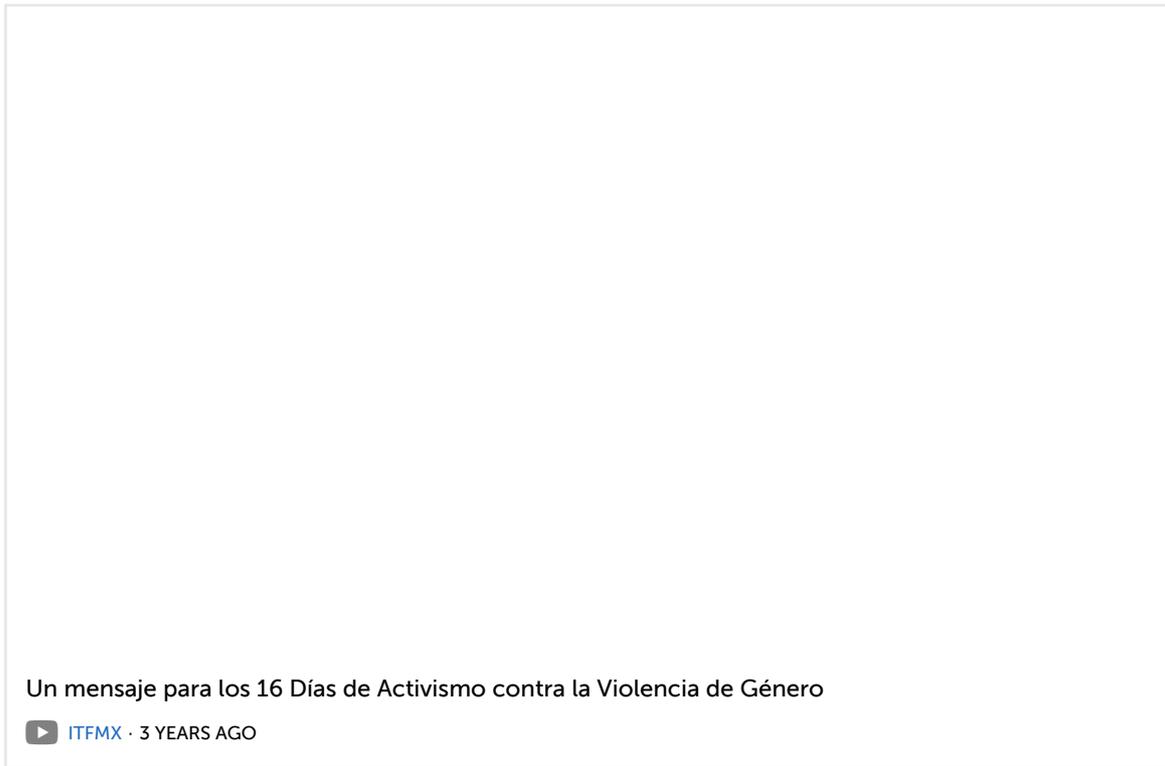
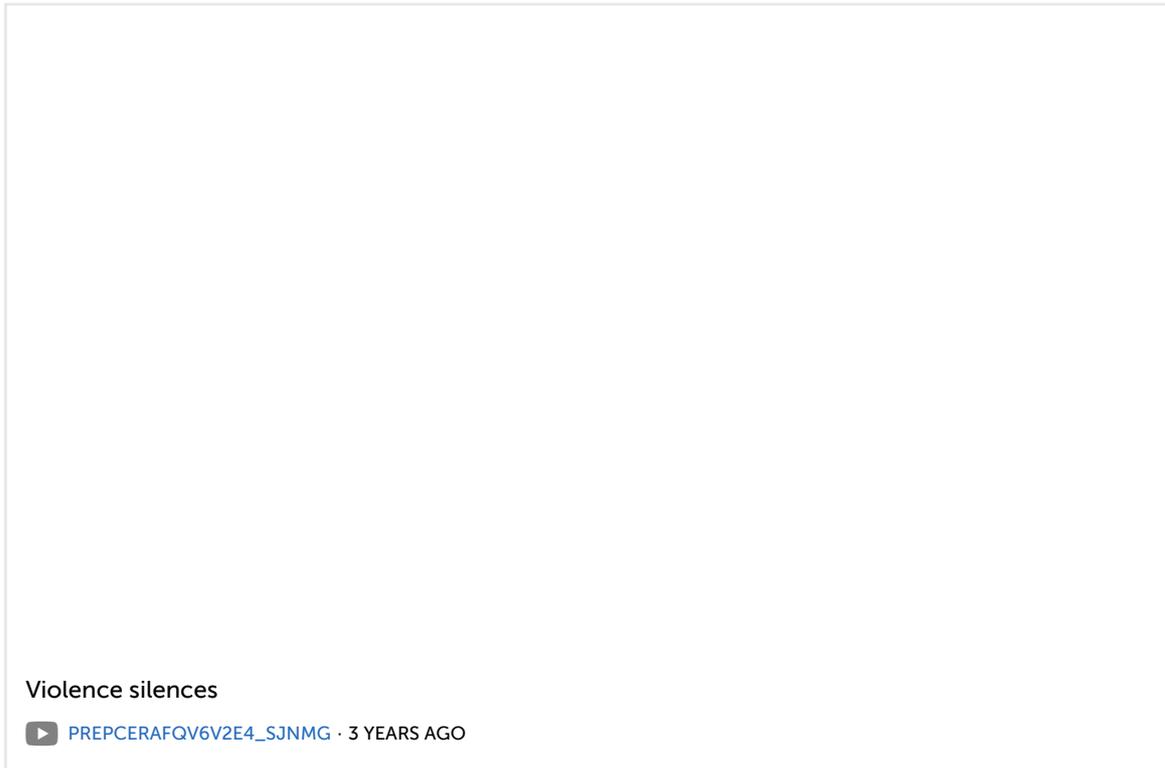
Meet women who have a lot to say about VAW and freedom of expression in these [#takebackthetech](#) stories? takebackthetech.net/campaign-mater... #genderit

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Women speaking up!





Libertad de expresión con enfoque de género

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Sally Zohney on Violence Against Women & the Internet

 [RK5TWZ92BW-OIEEXDHSJLQ](#) · 3 YEARS AGO

Entrevista colectiva Libertad de Expresión #DominemoslasTIC

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Loreto libertad de expresión

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Libertad de expresión. Sofía. Michoacán

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What should we do to make sure women's voices are heard? [#takebackthetech](#) bit.ly/1rnOQk2
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Second day of [#takebackthetech](#). Join us to link the dots between VAW and freedom of expression!



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collective action to shutter gender stereotypes and attitudes that promote gender violence
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GuardianWitness - 16 days of activism - share your stories

Campaigners around the world are uniting for 16 days of activism against gender-based violence. If you're campaigning in your community, we want to hear from you. Share your pictures, video and stories and tell us why this campaign is important. Photograph: Ryan Brown/UN Women/UN Press Office

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ACCESS TO INFORMATION (a2i) PROGRAMME, Prime Minister's Office, Bangladesh

Access to Information (a2i) Programme is an UNDP and USAID supported project (programme) having its office at the Prime Ministers' Office. The overall objective of the project is to provide support in building a digital nation through delivering services at the citizen's doorsteps.

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Violence online and tech-related violence are part of the continuum of gender-based violence. The misogynistic attacks, threats, intimidation, and policing experienced by women and queers LGBTQI people is are real, harmful, and alarming. It is our collective responsibility as different internet stakeholders to prevent, respond to, and resist this violence.



#VIRTUALNOJESTVARNO

Virtuelno nasilje i nasilje kroz informaciono komunikacione tehnologije su dio kontinuuma rodno zasnovanog nasilja. Mizogini napadi, prijetnje, zastrašivanja i kontroliranje kojim su podložne žene i queer/ LGBTQI zajednica kroz IKT su stvarni, štetni i alarmantni. Naša je kolektivna odgovornost kao različitih internet aktera/ki i interesnih strana da spriječimo, odgovorimo na i pružimo otpor ovoj vrsti nasilja.

#virtualnojestvarno #VIRTUALisREAL #16danaaktivizma @APC_News @takebackthetech @GenderITorg pic.twitter.com/eydZmARx8L"



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Shahzad Ahmad

@sirkup

Now at F6, Super Market #Islamabad for #EndImpunity & #takebackthetech candle light vigil
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and take actions or seek legal advice where necessary



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Maya Memsaab

@mayameme

[@IawrtK](#) Sure, everyone has a right to it but you won't get safety, rights & solutions together-it
doesn't work that way [@GenderITorg](#)



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1 example of how violence aims to silence women, from CBC reporter [@oneillyatescbc](#)
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the media also need to play a role in their reporting style to shun some of the biases against
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lets push for a world with zero violence towards the women

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**UniteWomen Arkansas**

@UniteWomenAR

Use your phone 2 make short videos asking #women how violence silences. Get their consent share w/ @takebackthetech ow.ly/EGmVz

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**Difficulties in documenting: why it can be hard for women to speak out**

I've been trying to interview women and girls for the documentation action that Take Back the Tech! announced. I've found it's more difficult than I anticipated, so I wanted to explore the reasons why because I think they are directly related to the theme of freedom of expression.

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Digital solidarity quilt with women human rights defenders



Quilt

Digital solidarity quilt with women human rights defenders This digital quilt speaks of our collective act of solidarity, recognition and refusal to let the voices and struggles of Women Human Rights Defenders be silenced. Show your support by contributing to our digital quilt. Create a message or snap a picture that represents hope, strength or solidarity.

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speak up

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World AIDS Day: Freedom of expression and information

Today is World AIDS Day, which gives us a moment to stop and reflect on those lost to this virus, those living with it and those at risk. But this is an issue that deserves our attention year-round. Did you know that there are more women than men

living with HIV?

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It's World AIDS Day! "Violence against women and girls is a cause and consequence of HIV infection." [ow.ly/F7joo](#) #takebackthetech

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Freedom of expression and freedom from violence are critical for dealing with HIV. [takebackthetech.net/blog/world-aid...](#) #takebackthetech #16days

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Nur: [Atikah Rosli](#)
[@NuratikahRose](#)

[@takebackthetech](#) yup once i felt scared of voicing out smthg bec ppl who disagree w me might attack me w vulgar words but now not anymore :)

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In US Supreme Court now: "Is a Threat Posted on Facebook Really a Threat?" [ow.ly/Fadwz](#)
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Lack of data on VAW = lack of solutions. We must document and make visible. Use our [#FOE](#) to speak truth. [#takebackthetech](#) [#16days](#)

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we need to be careful on how we consume culture as a step in ending violence against women
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How have you seen violence silence women? What tactics are common in your part of the world?
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[#takebackthetech](#) research on Twitter, Facebook, YouTube [#VAW](#) policies and reporting mechanisms. [bit.ly/1Am6Q3C](#) [#16days](#)

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Share your strategies for resisting violence. Speak up! [#takebackthetech](#): ow.ly/EGsNw via [@takebackthetech](#) [#16days](#)



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Violence silences: Support women bloggers and journalists on 5 December

VIOLENCE SILENCES: SUPPORT WOMEN BLOGGERS AND JOURNALISTS ON 5 DECEMBER

Women bloggers and journalists face frequent online harassment, cyberstalking and even physical violence. The more visible a woman is online, the more abuse she faces, and this violence aims to silence her. We need women's voices in the media.



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For Day 11 of [#16days](#), [#takebackthetech](#) asks you to support women journalists and bloggers bit.ly/122CBDA



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"Twitter trolls in India: Sexist abuse as a tool to muzzle women" bit.ly/1yYFuBE
[#takebackthetech](#) [#16days](#)



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Writer Bina Shah's story of online harassment, and help from [@bytesforall](#), [@DigitalRightsPK](#) bit.ly/1vmrUSG [#takebackthetech](#) [#16days](#)



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Women/girls are you censoring yourself? twtsurvey.com/jxcua4xdj1xi54z Take the survey
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Take our poll on online harassment before it closes tonight! twtsurvey.com/jxcua4xdj1xi54z
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RT@takebackthetech #Poll Women/Girls:HaveU Ever #Censored Yourself,
ChangedYourBehavior B/C Fear of #OnlineHarassment?twtsurvey.com/jxcua4xdj1xi54z



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Cyber Bullies Target Kenya's Women - ipsnews.net/2014/01/cyber-... #genderit
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"Let's talk abt the (online) harassment black women receive, a woman wearing a hijab in her
avatar" bit.ly/1B7yBNQ [#takebackthetech](#)



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nica [Nica Dumlao](#)
@nicadoom

Make a commitment and stop images that perpetuate violence. takebackthetech.net/take-action/20... [#16days](#) [#takebackthetech](#)



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& girls. owl.li/FxTeK [#orangeurhood](#)



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Know a woman journalist or blogger facing online harassment? Send her the [#takebackthetech](#) safety toolkit bit.ly/12qN6A8 [#16days](#)

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Don't miss excellent session on 2 inseparable topics: digital security & self care bit.ly/1vRFAIZ by [@FRIDAfund](#) [#takebackthetech](#)

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How to approach #victims of #OnlineViolence HT @angeldvg (via @takebackthetech)
bit.ly/1zLyk2d

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Don't know how to talk to survivors of violence, including tech-related violence?
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@takebackthetech put together a toolkit to prevent tech-related violence. Do you have the tools
to stay safe online? takebackthetech.net/be-safe/safety...

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Women/Girls, does harassment change your expression/behavior online? Pls
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10 Tips for Challenging Internet-Based Gender-Discrimination and Online Harassment against Women and Girls

If you know how to use the technology, you can avoid becoming a victim. Before speaking out, it is
important to take your time to understand the way the Internet works. 1. If you intended to be
anonymous, stay anonymous. In the online world the mere desire of remaining anonymous is not
enough to keep your identity safe and hidden.

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Hate speech

Hate speech includes written, spoken or visual discrimination, harassment, threats or violence against a person or group on the basis of their gender, disability, sexual orientation, race, etc. Any speech that trivialises, glorifies or incites violence against women is hate speech, just as speech that trivialises the Holocaust is anti-semitic and speech that glorifies attacks on people because of their race is racist.

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Blackmail

Blackmail is the crime of threatening to reveal embarrassing or damaging information about a person to the public, family or associates unless that person buys the blackmailer's silence. Because the information is usually true, it is not revealing the information that is criminal, but demanding money - or other favours - in return for not releasing the information.

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Cyberstalking

Cyberstalking is a technologically-based attack on a person for reasons of anger, revenge or control.

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16 days recap!



Violence Silences: 16 Days Recap

It's Human Rights Day, which means it's also the final day of a great 16 Days campaign! People from around the world have come together to speak up about violence against women, and these actions inspire women and girls to keep working for change.

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In celebration of the International Rights day, I pledge not to forward violence. [#TakeBacktheTech](https://www.instagram.com/p/wam95jjpjB/)
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YouthSpeak

From a campaign youth event in the Philippines.

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Agent of Change Notebook

A notebook celebrating the Take Back the Tech! campaign in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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Cyberfeminism and women's rights in the internet and social networks

APC WRP workshop on "Cyberfeminism and women's rights in the internet and social networks", Latin American and Caribbean Feminist Encounter, Lima, Perú, Nov 23rd, 2014.

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Reclaiming Freedom of Expression to End Impunity

From an event to end impunity in Pakistan.

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Challenging Violence in Cyberspace

IM Sciences University, Peshawar: 'Challenging Violence in Cyberspace' - a series of interactive discussions on online violence, especially violence against women, as a part of 16 days of activism and #TakeBacktheTech campaign, organized by Bytes for All, Pakistan and Aware Girls.

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#ImagineAFeministInternet: Laptop Statements

An activist's laptop at the EROTICS global meeting on sex, rights and the internet during our #imagineafeministinternet campaign. Photo courtesy of EroTICS India.

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#ImagineAFeministInternet Stickers - 2

Stickers from the EROTICS global meeting on sex, rights and the internet during our #imagineafeministinternet campaign. Photo courtesy of EroTICS India.

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