Violence against women concerns us all.

There is no age in the lives of girls or women untouched by violence, whether we choose to acknowledge it or look away. Victims remain largely ignored.

This calendar highlights a collection of fragments from a brutal reality for women, and uncomfortable for society.

A reality that screams for its right to be seen. A reality that asks you to be an

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"You asked for it!"

My first sexual experience was around the age of 5-6. My mother's boyfriend was about 35-40 years old.

21 years old, Râmnicu Vâlcea

International Women's Day
“Maybe you die first.”

He created chaos in my head because I couldn’t understand how a man who claimed to love me so much could at the same time be so violent with me. I struggle every day not to be like him.

26 years old, lași
“I should have pierced the condom to get you pregnant and then dump you, let you be a stupid woman with a baby.”

He took photos of me while I was asleep and naked, and disseminated them throughout our college. When I brought this up with the dean, he suggested I remain silent to prevent the boy from facing any repercussions, as it would be regrettable for him to have a record.

26 years old, București
“You’re good for nothing.”

In one particularly harsh instance during my childhood, a poor grade led to a severe altercation with my father. He threw me out of the house, like a piece of furniture. I got punched, slapped, kicked.

27 years old, Constanța
“I’ll give you a 7 even if the paper is a 10. Maybe that’ll teach you to stay in school.”

Some teachers incited my peers against me, encouraging them to physically and verbally abuse me due to my fatherless status. The dread of attending high school became overwhelming.

27 years old, București
“Everyone has sex, and we should too if we're a couple, otherwise we're no different than a friendship.”

He tried to convince me to have sex with him. He kept telling me it would feel good, that’s what people who love each other do. I finally gave in, hoping he would leave me in peace if I accepted.

21 years old, Satu Mare
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“**I'll kill myself if you try to leave me.**”

He constantly insulted me, isolated me from my friends and people who loved me. He would frequently tell me that no one would love me and convinced me that he was doing me a favour by being with me.

23 years old, Timişoara
I didn't realise I was raped until I told someone. I had the courage to tell my mother what happened and a teacher. In the meantime, he spread rumours that I was a "slut" and that I was lying about being raped. No one believed me... I was ridiculed.

21 years old, București
“What were you looking for in there with him? What did you think was going to happen?”

I later learned that he was known for kissing and groping his female students. That it was known, but he "had a PhD", so the management was on his side. It's been 9 years since then, but I still think it was my fault I went there. But then I remember that I was only a kid at the time.

25 years old, Râmnicu Vâlcea

World Day for the Elimination of Cervical Cancer

International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
“During the 10 years this person has been in my life, I did not exist.”

My desires, thoughts, expectations were systematically pushed aside, disapproved of, denied through manipulation.

30 years old, București

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January 2025

"It's your fault!"

I woke up in a clinic, covered in blood, smelling of vinegar, with no money, and my phone broken. I had been raped by the six boys, anally. I was a virgin.

29 years old, București
“You're crazy! What do you mean it hurts? Come on, stop pretending!”

I started crying in pain, he wanted to go on and he scolded me that I didn’t want it anymore. He kept saying "it’s not that bad", "you’ll see, it gets better", that I’m "crazy, it doesn’t hurt", I’m “just pretending”.

22 years old, Sibiu
Did you know that **USR proposed these measures in the Parliament, and now you can benefit from them?**

- Extending the period for which a protection order can be granted from 6 months to 1 year.
- Victims of domestic violence will have the right to emergency shelter during the protection order if they cannot safely stay at home.
- Expanding legal assistance for victims of domestic violence also during the appeal.
- Criminalising acts of revenge porn.

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