Gender Based Violence & Tech - Pandemic & Personhood

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Gender Based Violence during Lockdown

- Between March 25 and May 31- NCW - 1,477 complaints of domestic violence.
- Whatsapp Helpline - April 2020 - 727 complaints
- Total complaints - 1.5 times compared to Mar-May 2019.

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The burden of care

From domestic violence to stranger rape

As per the data, a total of 89,097 cases related to crimes against women was registered across India in 2018

'cruelty by husband or his relatives' - 31.9 per cent

'assault on women with intent to outrage her modesty' - 27.6 per cent

'kidnapping and abduction of women' - 22.5 per cent (primarily filed by guardian)

'rape' - 10.3 per cent

Online portals for complaints - Gender based violence & gender based cyberviolence

Digital Gender Gap

Legend:
- 54% — Proportion of women who use mobile internet
- 20% — Gender gap in mobile internet use
- 1bn — Women not using mobile internet

Middle East & North Africa
- 82%
- 9%
- 23m

(top center)
- 32%
- -1%
- 14m

East Asia & Pacific
- 95%
- 1%
- 44m

Latin America & Caribbean
- 86%
- 1%
- 30m

Sub-Saharan Africa
- 74%
- 13%
- 74m

South Asia
- 65%
- 23%
- 207m
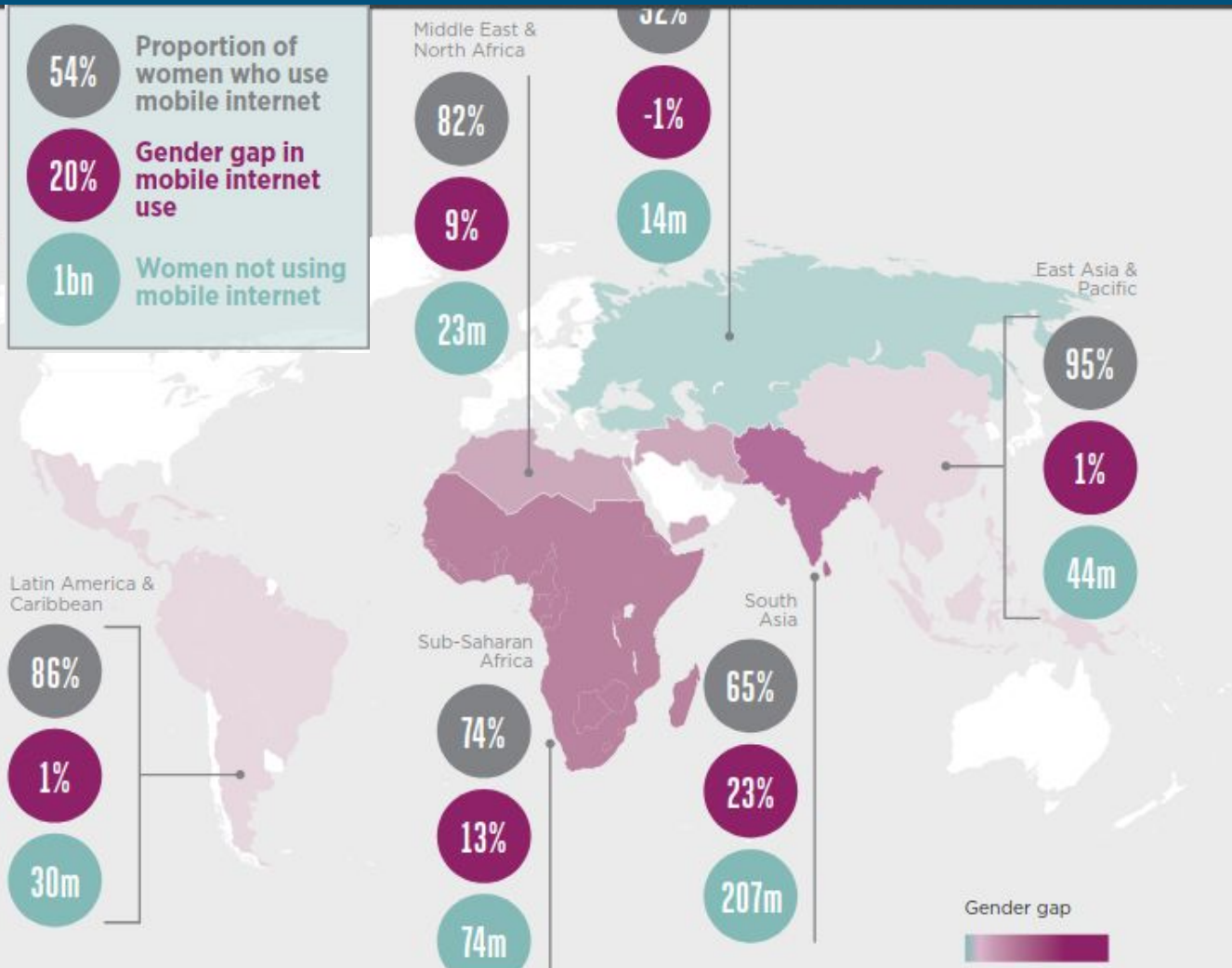
Gender gap

Male and female mobile ownership and mobile internet use by country
Percentage of total adult population

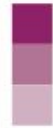MOBILE OWNERS (%) | GENDER GAP | MOBILE INTERNET USERS (%) | GENDER GAP

ASIA

Bangladesh — 86% / 61% — 29% | 33% / 16% — 52%
India — 79% / 63% — 20% | 42% / 21% — 50%
Indonesia — 80% / 72% — 10% | 49% / 42% — 14%
Myanmar — 78% / 68% — 14% | 58% / 41% — 30%
Pakistan — 81% / 50% — 38% | 37% / 19% — 49%
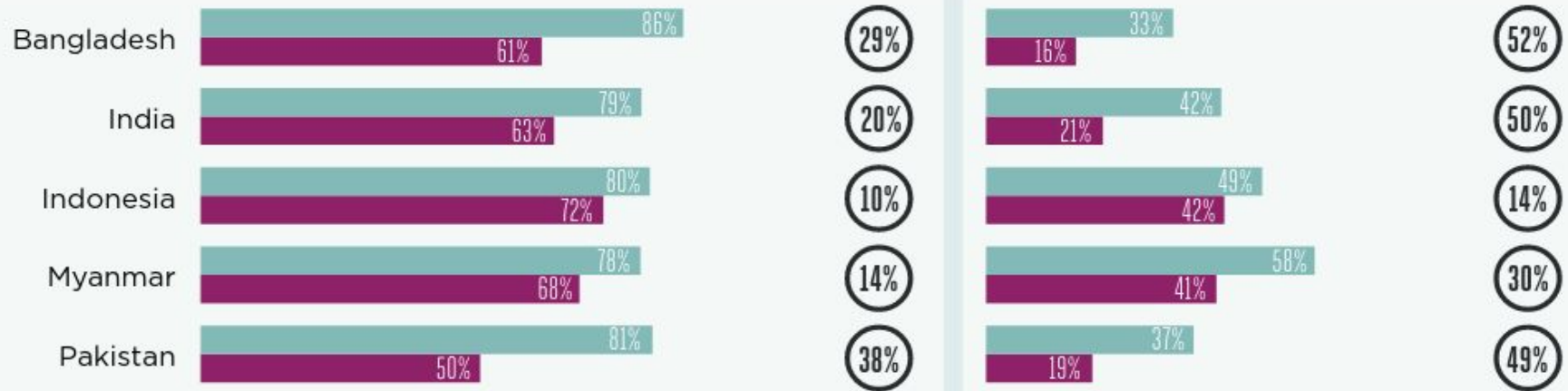
Women Mobile Internet users in India - 21%
Bangladesh - 16% Pakistan - 19%

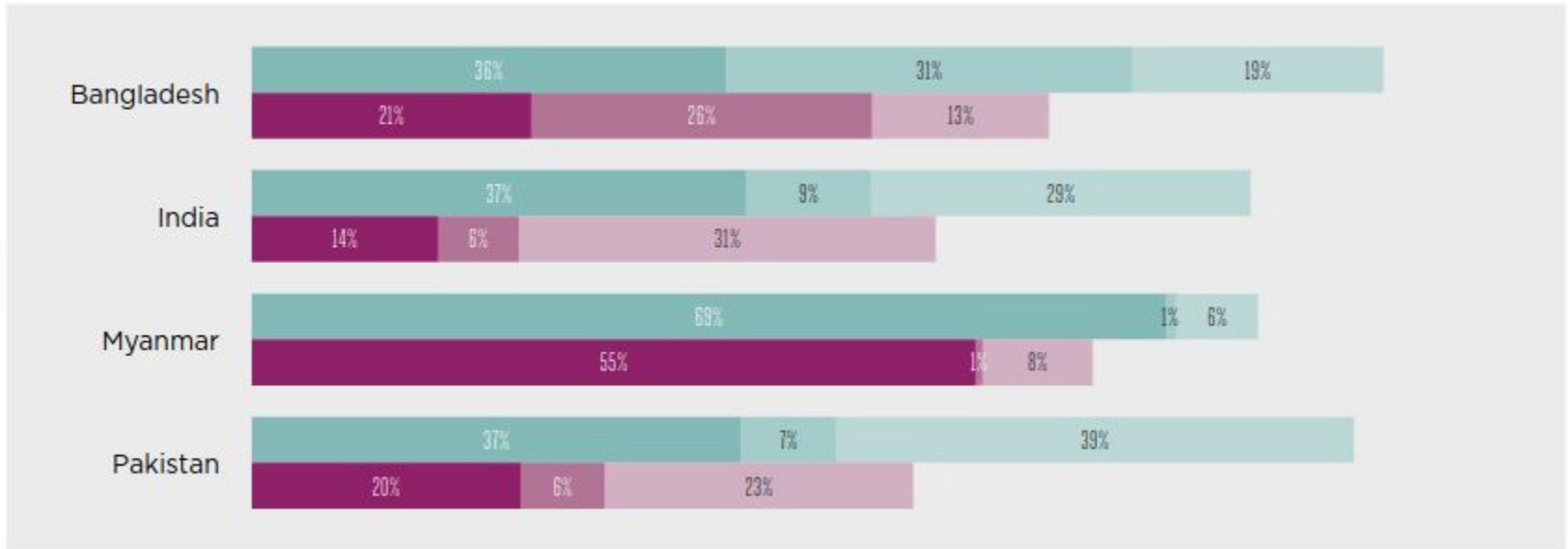# the digital gender gap in India

Access barriers to digital spaces

Gender based cyberviolence

881 young women

19-23
Metros and small towns
Self-administered survey

14 Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) with young women and young men in colleges, avoiding overlap with the survey cohort in order to limit privacy risks

44 key informant interviews - law enforcement officials of varying ranks, family court lawyers, legal researchers, women's rights and dalit rights activists, transgender activists, feminist researchers, journalists, counsellors associated with GBV helplines and crisis support centres, and women survivors

326

Respondents reported having faced some form of cyberviolence

And nearly 40% know someone who has faced cyberviolence

Of the 326

A quarter reported that the identity of their perpetrators was known to them.

Half reported that the perpetrator was unknown.

90% of respondents who had faced harassment reported that they had been harassed on multiple occasions.

Women from marginal social locations face particularly heinous forms of gendertrolling that denigrate their social identity.

Immediately after [my friend] posted comments critical of the #MeToo movement in India, two-three men started piling on, saying things like, "Look at your face; you're so disgusting… nobody would even think of raping you; why are you thinking about #MeToo?"

- Female dalit rights activist, Karnataka

eVAW & online GBV

MOBILE RECHARGE SHOP

A Mobile Recharge Shop is a place where scamsters can gain access to your cellphone number because you have provided it to the recharge vendor. This number is then misused to call or text you and exploit your ignorance or even emotionally manipulate you.

Who can afford to be a #CyberSafeGirl?
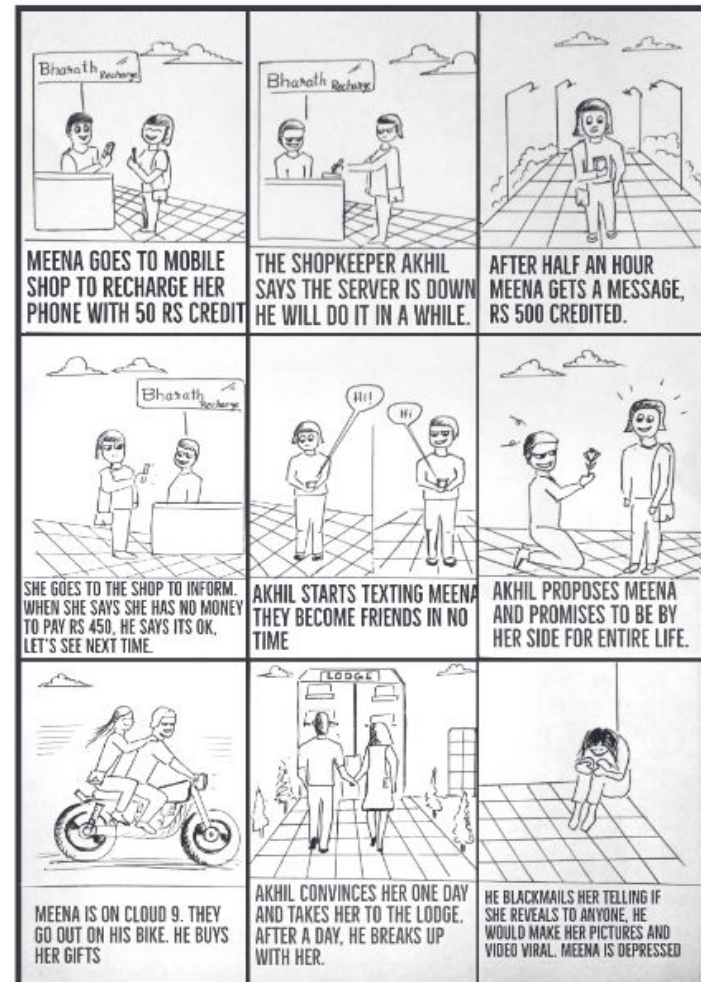
Entrenched misogyny in digital spaces - virally amplifies anti-feminist sentiments - especially during moments of feminist contestation

Thousands of Bois Locker Rooms

The #boislockerroom case — a male-only chat group — fleetingly centred public attention back to gender issues in the country.

Boys on the group were talking about girls' body parts and sharing morphed pictures.

Between 5 May and 11 May, when the #boislockerroom case was doing the rounds, online queries from India for the term "feminism" saw a spike.

Related search queries for "fake feminism", "pseudo feminism" and 'toxic feminism' were up by 5000%

The impact of online gbv during Covid

Users with limited digital skills put at greater risk to cyberviolence

Proliferation of Covid19 related surveillance apps - opportunity for gendered surveillance

Women's safety is not a function <u>only</u> of bodily integrity

Women's safe access to spaces of public participation - offline and online - is a question of democracy