A Year of Transitions
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Realizing Sexual and Reproductive Justice (RESURJ) is a transnational membership-based feminist alliance formed in 2010 by younger feminist activists under the age of 40 from Africa, Asia, Pacific, Europe, South West Asia, North Africa, and Latin America, grounded in national and regional social justice movements, who seek to realize sexual and reproductive justice (SRJ) for all.

We dream of a world in which sexual and reproductive justice is a reality for women, adolescents and young people in all of our diversity, and we can enjoy pleasure, bodily autonomy, integrity and freedoms.

Our mission is to work as a transnational alliance of younger global South feminists grounded in diverse social justice movements to lead, create, and hold space for the realization of sexual and reproductive justice. We do this by sharing power, building feminist accountability praxis, generating alternatives to systems of oppression, nurturing communities, centering intersectionality, and caring for lands, oceans, and diverse ecosystems that we are part of.
A Year of Transitions!

What does the second year of a global pandemic feel like? In the 2020 Annual Report, we shared how we charted a path for the collective to stay connected through the first year of the pandemic and figure out how best we can act in solidarity with younger South feminists. In 2021, we continued on this course while also going through some big transitions within the collective. Reaffirming our mission and praxis, we implemented a leadership transition from our second Executive Coordinator to the third, and also welcomed new team members to the RESURJ Secretariat. These changes can be challenging as they are and harder when you’re going through them entirely remotely. We worked together to make the leadership transition as caring and nurturing as it could be for those who were leaving and those coming in, sat with uneasy and uncomfortable moments, and talked openly about what we did differently than before and what we’d do differently in future.

2021 also found us transitioning back to a few in-person engagements. Even as there was no opportunity for all of us to gather together, we met in pairs or small groups, reconnected in person with our movements at home and at regional and global levels, and made exciting plans for the next few years. As we made this transition back to in person engagements, we also began to experience renewed cruelty of borders, now with vaccine geo-politics adding another layer to existing barriers to cross borders. Even as the public health message of “the available vaccine is the best vaccine” was popularised, we realised the hard way that this sometimes meant not gaining access to North America, Western Europe and other parts of the world, including countries where our regional and global advocacy happens. We know by experience that younger
South feminist organizing thrives when we have met the material needs of those we want to support and vaccines are definitely one such need. Therefore our solidarity measures to members extended to also supporting them to travel to locations where they could access a vaccine that was accepted widely enough for them to have enough mobility. We feel privileged to have had the resources to provide this support but it was also a stark reminder that even after 11 years of advancing younger South feminist leadership in advocacy spaces, there are always new challenges and new structural inequalities for RESURJ and similar feminist formations to grapple with.

RESURJ has always strived to develop a culture of learning in our collective and transitions, whether in leadership or from virtual to in person, has also been about documenting and transferring knowledge. This came in the form of the outgoing and incoming Executive Coordinators meeting in person for over a week to work together, have long conversations about the collective and our dreams for it, creating space to ask a wide range of questions from each other, and making space for the big changes that were coming up for them both. It also came in the form of revising our Sexual and Reproductive Justice (SRJ) Framework and members workshopping different parts of it, having inter-generational conversations within RESURJ about how some of our analysis developed over the years, finding new faultlines and horizons to explore, bringing together our alumni, friends and allies to recall our shared histories and work, etc.

In 2021 we also introduced the Feminist Leadership Transition (FELT) policy for our members and Secretariat. Building upon RESURJ feminist praxis on collective care and wellbeing, addressing burn out and expanding feminist human resources policies that more adequately respond to
supporting feminist leadership and transitions for exiting staff, FELT is a paid benefit for rest and recuperation for RESURJ Secretariat and members and breathing space to seek out new (ad)ventures. At the core of this policy is to push forward feminist practices in addressing the intersectionality of care, livelihood and to centre practices that bring more joy, pleasure, rejuvenation and ease into our organising. It is also an attempt to ensure that our political position on economic justice is translated into how we function and take care of each other and our communities.

All in all, 2021 was yet another reminder that feminist praxis is about pacing ourselves, being intentional about not just what we want to achieve but how we go about it, staying rooted in our shared values, and calling each other in with care and firm conviction. It is never a smooth ride but the friction is what helps us grow, gives us joy and strengthens our politics and our collective. Here’s to more of this in 2022.

In Solidarity,
RESURJ
COVID-19 RESPONSE AND COLLECTIVE CARE

- In line with feminist solidarity practice and collective care, we continued to use our mutual aid strategy to support members and young feminist organizing.

- We adapted and tailored the support and accompaniment during CSW65 in ways that were useful for members and other young feminists and newcomers.

- Along with Vecinas Feministas por la Justicia Sexual y Reproductiva en América Latina y Caribe, we began mapping and documenting increased criminalization as a response to tackle COVID-19 in a number of countries in the global south.

- We hosted Feminist Community of Care (FemCom) sessions at different moments and Healing Circles with members and accomplices.

YOUNGER FEMINISTS MOVEMENT BUILDING

- We hosted a cross regional dialogue with younger feminists, led by feminists from South West Asia and North Africa (SWANA) in March 2021 at the margins of the commission on the status of women (CSW65).

- In March, we virtually accompanied 25 younger feminists from the global south during CSW65.

- In October, our member from Egypt participated in an expert roundtable on reproductive justice organised by Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung and Konzeptwerk as part of ‘Future for All’ project on energy, health and population, migration, and mobility.

- In collaboration with AWID, we co-facilitated a regional consultation organized by the UN Special Procedure
Working Group on Discrimination against Women and Girls with young feminist activists from SWANA region in November.

- Through our Mutual Aid strategy, RESURJ supported the development of Vecinas Feministas website, which is now live in English, Portuguese and Spanish.

GLOBAL ADVOCACY

In the context of the Generation Equality Forum (GEF), we organised around the following areas:

- Contributed to the co-creation of The Youth Journey, which is a roadmap for Generation Equality Forum (GEF) that spotlights moments and opportunities for young people and adolescents in all their diversities to actively influence and lead the process.

- Hosted virtual interactive sessions with younger south feminists, led by RESURJ members from Zambia and Libya, on SRJ realities in the context of the GEF and Action Coalition Blueprints in the lead up to Mexico and Paris Generation Equality Forum.

- Organised alongside other feminist organizations, to contribute to the response to the increasing anti-trans and anti gender messaging within the Generation Equality Forum.

- Co-created the Affirmation of Feminist Principles at the GEF with feminist, women and human rights organizations eight fundamental principles for feminism and gender equality inclusive of trans, nonbinary, and intersex people.
• Committed to various Action Coalitions coming out of the GEF process covering persistent advocacy for the realization of sexual and reproductive justice.

• Co-hosted “Amplifying Feminists Power: Resisting Anti-Rights Movements” event at Paris Generation Equality Forum along with AWID, IPAS and Progressive Research Associate”

We engaged with the 65th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW65) through the following interventions:

• Accompanied 25 South-based young feminists and newcomers to CSW65 throughout the two-week virtual session. This group of feminists and newcomers were from SWANA, Latin America, Africa and Asia, and represented diverse constituencies including LGBTQI folks, people with disabilities, and indigenous feminists.

• Hosted a Cross-regional dialogue with younger feminists, led by RESURJ members from South West Asia and North Africa (SWANA), given their limited access and space to participate, lead and engage in non-virtual advocacy spaces due to language and other geo-political barriers. This gave us an opportunity to re-connect and connect with younger feminists from the SWANA region working around SRJ.

• Organized a side event with Vecinas Feministas to launch our collaborative cross-regional analysis “The Criminalization of a Pandemic: A Cross-Regional Feminist Analysis”, an analysis report on the increased use of criminal law and punitive measures as a response to COVID-19 in our regions.

• Accompanied allies and accomplices engaging with the Women’s Rights Caucus working groups on language,
advocacy, opposition work, their own advocacy towards national governments, and side events. We also held regular briefings and check-ins with accomplices and allies as the negotiations and CSW progressed as a way of collective reflection and identifying moments of support/solidarity actions.

• Collaborated with AWID on Beijing Unfettered Workshop: Feminist Organizing and Visions of Mulitarlism at the margins of CSW65.

Under the High Level Political Forum (HLPF) on sustainable development, we engaged in the following:

• Organized and hosted a Feminist Community of Care (FemCom) session, through which we held space for 38 younger South feminists to gain a critical understanding of the 2030 Agenda and its follow-up mechanisms and how these are linked to other frameworks and processes within the global human rights agenda and inter-governmental spaces, share experiences and insights in engaging with the HLPF and voluntary national reports (VNRs), and collectively reflect on the sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) agenda for deepened analyses to be utilized in various advocacy moments.

• Contributed to the Women Major group (WMG) position paper were we highlighted the interlinkages between food security and sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) and the consequences of criminalization during the pandemic based on the aforementioned shared analysis with the Vecinas Feministas.

• We delivered an intervention on behalf of WMG during the HLPF expert group meeting on health and wellbeing. The intervention highlighted the impact of the underfunded
and under-developed free and public health services and the impact of the criminal justice approach to a public health crisis. This intervention also called for a justice approach to vaccines and highlighted the duty of states to ensure the availability and accessibility of vaccines to all people whenever needed.

In Glasgow, at the COP26, we participated by engaging in the following:

• Supported the participation of RESURJ member from the UK and a younger feminist accomplice from Fiji.

• We provided input to the key demands and intervention of the Women and Gender Constituency.

• Joined protests responding to the challenges feminists witnessed in accessing and participating in the conference, as well as, the weak outcomes proposed by states during the conference.

Figure 1: RESURJ member and accomplice in the protest organised by the Women and Gender Constituency at COP26
CROSS-MOVEMENT AND CROSS-REGIONAL ORGANISING

• We hosted a virtual interactive convening at Global South Women’s Forum (GSWF) in September 2021 in collaboration with our member’s organisations ACCEDER (Costa Rica), FLAME (Taiwan), Tamazight Women’s Movement (Libya). The session focused on unpacking structural barriers to the realization of Sexual and Reproductive Health rooted in climate and environmental crisis.

![Figure 2: RESURJ member speaking during our virtual convening at the GSWF](image)

• RESURJ members based in Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Taiwan participated in the Asia Pacific Regional Internet Governance Forum (APrIGF) in September. By holding an interactive virtual conversation feminist digital rights activists, on how access, expression and violence on the internet are experienced by women, queer and trans people in their countries. The discussion connected
the links between the governments’ increased use of criminal law to regulate behaviour online and the implications this has for freedom of expression, especially for communities that are marginalised on the basis of their gender, expression, ethnicity, class, migrant status and have limited access to online spaces.

BUILDING EVIDENCE FOR JUSTICE

- Thought Leadership: Beyond Criminalization
  - RESURJ participated in AWID’s Crear | Résister | Transform Festival through an event titled “Resisting criminalization: Feminist organizing for sexual and reproductive justice and bodily integrity”. In our discussion, we addressed many aspects of criminalising approaches to uproot sexual and reproductive rights violations, including: 1) feminist herstories of experiences as both victims and ‘perpetrators’ in the eyes of the criminal justice system, 2) examining the impacts of interactions with systems of power, and 3) feminist organizing against criminalization, patriarchy, and fundamentalisms.
  - RESURJ co-organized with Vecinas Feministas a virtual parallel event at CSW65, to launch and discuss our shared analysis on punitive and criminalising measures set by governments, that were framed to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus across our regions.

*Injusta Justicia* is a collaborative campaign that launched in 2020 in Latin America and Caribbean, the campaign is steered by *Balance Promoción para el Desarrollo y Juventud*, Vecinas Feministas por la Justicia Sexual y Reproductiva en América Latina, and...
RESURJ along with regional partners. Aiming to reach a wider audience in other regions, RESURJ translated and disseminated the Injusta Justicia campaign messages in English in 2021.

COMMUNICATIONS

• Illustrator Sonaksha brushed lively and colourful representations for our revamped website. A RESURJ member from Sri Lanka chatted with the illustrator about how we visualised a revolutionary world in May.

• We amplified messaging that proposed ways that allow for us to build back from the pandemic in a more transformative approach, integrating the needs and realities of all persons.

• Our Thought Leadership Our Lived Realities is now live on our website, with experiences of adolescent girls from Nigeria and migrant domestic workers in Lebanon.

• We developed our Visual Identity Guide which consolidates the visual aspects of our collective and growing identity.

• We published 30 entries via Reflections from Our Countries written by younger feminists from Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Egypt, Honduras, India, Lebanon, Mozambique, Pakistan, Palestine, Rwanda, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, United Kingdom, Western Sahara, and Zambia.

• We celebrated our journey by identifying and publishing RESURJ’s milestones since its creation in 2010 through 12 RESURJ 10 year anniversary visuals.
STRENGTHENING THE COLLECTIVE

• We continued to hone and accentuate our strategies, outcomes and indicators that we collaboratively created in our 2021-2025 strategic plan.

• We implemented our leadership transition and welcomed new team members to our secretariat and celebrated our former secretariat members in two Feminist Community of Care sessions with accomplices and allies.
• Five RESURJ members participated in the intensive financial resilience training run by Spring, FIRE.

• We kicked off a collective process to better articulate our Monitoring and Learning and inform our different strategies.

• We hosted a Feminist Community of Care for RESURJ 10 year anniversary with former members, to celebrate how far we have come.
TRANSNATIONAL SOLIDARITY
Supporting Younger South Feminists

RESURJ was formed out of a realization that feminist organizing within advocacy spaces was largely shaped and dominated by white, often older feminists from the global north. The few who represented the South weren’t younger feminists either and often had privileges in terms of class, caste, language, etc. Since our inception in 2010, we have intentionally and continuously worked to platform younger South feminists, create access to policy-making spaces, and materially and emotionally accompany younger feminists, including RESURJ members, in our collective organizing. We have also supported national level organizing as a way of linking and following up on regional and global outcomes and commitments by states and other actors. During 2021, we did this using different strategies which have emerged from our work since our inception.

Practising Mutual Aid

This second tier of RESURJ’s new initiative, Mutual Aid Fund, which provides support to members’, allies’, and accomplices’ groups and organisations; to hold their communities together, generate evidence, hold governments accountable, and building feminist movements. In 2021, RESURJ supported 10 feminist groups and organizations across our regions.
Egypt
RESURJ extended support to a new research initiative looking at state discourse and approach to the family institution nationally and internationally.

Brazil
RESURJ provided support through the Mutual Aid strategy to COLETIVO MANGUEIRAS, a young feminist group with a leading role in carrying out national-level activities related to feminist youth leadership and activism for sexual and reproductive justice.

RESURJ collaborated with the emerging ally Fé.ministas by financially supporting their strategy for political resistance to face societal uncertainties of COVID-19 and political regression over the past couple of years.

Costa Rica
RESURJ contributed to the advancement of member organisation Asociacion Ciudadana ACCEDER new strategic plan and network building.

Latin America and Caribbean
RESURJ continued to support the regional work of Vecinas Feministas por la Justicia Sexual y Reproductiva en Latin America y Caribe. This collaboration through the Mutual Aid strategy supported the group’s operational costs including communication and dissemination. The Vecinas Feministas website is now available in English, Portuguese and Spanish.

Malawi
We supported RESURJ member collaboration feminist podcast called ‘Feministing While Malawian’ which is co-created by our Member and a younger feminist, both
based in Malawi. The podcast has become a trusted platform in spearheading conversations on young women and girls issues while centering the lived realities of girls and young women in Malawi and beyond.

**Mozambique**

RESURJ’s ally, MovFemme, Mutual Aid Fund plan included mobilizing young feminists from diverse backgrounds to engage with international and national advocacy spaces, besides supporting the implementation organization’s general activities.

**Sri Lanka**

Aiming to support local efforts to organize queer feminist organizing, RESURJ collaborated with Priyam Collective. This project works to centralise collective experiences of historically marginalised groups in Sri Lanka to bring about social and legal change.

**Zambia**

We supported our member organisation, The Lotus Identity, to implement LBTQ SRHR initiatives that focus on themed conversations. As part of The Lotus Identity to deepen the LBTQ movement’s analysis on key advocacy issues, map out key actors, language and messaging to be used in various advocacy platforms.

**Zimbabwe**

We collaborated with a disability rights young feminist organization in Zimbabwe working to empower girls with disabilities by creating a girls club where they can access information addressing their needs on violence against women and girls, child, early and forced marriage and information on sexual and reproductive health and rights.
Cross-regional and cross movement organising

Cross-regional Dialogue

As a way of creating spaces for younger feminists who often experience challenges in accessing advocacy spaces, particularly the Beijing+25 process, even in pre-pandemic times, we hosted a Cross Regional Dialogue with younger feminists, led by members from South West Asia and North Africa (SWANA). The dialogue served as a platform for younger feminists from the region to share their experiences in engaging with the Beijing+25 process at national, regional, and international levels. The dialogue gave us an opportunity to connect with newcomers to the space and get to know younger feminists who are working with similar approaches in SWANA region.

CSW65 Parallel Event

We co-organized a parallel event during CSW65 to launch our collaborative report with Vecinas Feministas, “The Criminalization of a Pandemic: A Cross-Regional Feminist Analysis”. The report is available in Arabic, English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish. It highlights the ways in which punitive and criminalising measures set to address the
pandemic have affected marginalised communities in Latin America, Africa, South West Asia and North Africa, and Europe. During our parallel event, the co-authors shared reflections on the impact of Covid-19 in their communities and countries. The discussion covered various areas including health, social, economic, and governance challenges exacerbated by the pandemic and the disproportionate impact on historically marginalised groups. While the report shows regional differences, there are various cross-cutting trends in the ways in which governments have confronted the pandemic.

Global South Women’s Forum

RESURJ organised a virtual workshop through Global South Women’s Forum (GSWF) hosted by IWRAW Asia Pacific in September. To highlight the link between SRHR and climate justice, in collaboration with our members’ organisations; ACCEDER (Costa Rica), FLAME (Taiwan) and Tamazight Women’s Movement (Libya). The workshop focused on unpacking structural barriers to the realization of sexual and reproductive justice rooted in climate and
environmental crisis. Through this interactive session, the three speakers provided critical reflections on contemporary approaches to climate actions and intersectional risk management through storytelling grounded in their realities. This allowed for collective reflection and deeper understanding of the interlinkages between sexual and reproductive justice, economic justice, and environmental justice. The speakers’ interventions focused on the interlinkages between SRHR and food sovereignty, environmental justice, gender perspective in sanitation design, extreme weather and disasters, and indigenous rights to land.

Figure 5: Graphic recording of the impact of climate and environmental crisis on SRHR
SPEAKING TRUTH TO POWER: ADVOCACY
Global Advocacy

CSW65

The 65th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW65) was an opportunity for us to support younger South feminists to engage and highlight the progress and gaps related to the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action (BPfA) in particular, reflecting on the impact of Covid-19 and exploring ways to build forward transformatively. Civil society engagement with CSW65 was virtual and considering the challenges of virtual engagement, RESURJ prioritized accompanying 25 younger feminists and newcomers from the global south to CSW65 throughout the two-week session. The activists were based across SWANA, Latin America, Africa and Asia regions and represented diverse constituencies including LGBTQI people, disabled people, and indigenous feminists. Second year into the pandemic, and we were still struggling with the newer challenges posed by virtual advocacy. However, we acted on our intentions and adapted the ways we supported young feminists in advocacy spaces. By accompanying this group via a Whatsapp group to share updates, and regular Zoom check-ins. Additionally, RESURJ covered associated expenses with virtual engagement, by providing honorarium.

As previous years, RESURJ engaged in and facilitated the engagement of allies and accomplices' participation in the Women’s Rights Caucus language, advocacy, and opposition working groups. Besides, their national advocacy efforts, side events. Also, as part of our virtual engagement with CSW65, we co-hosted with AWID the
Beijing Unfettered Workshop: Feminist Organizing and Visions of Militarism at the margins of CSW65.

Figure 6: Zoom screenshot of the Amplifying feminist power session at CSW65 in collaboration with AWID

Generation Equality Forum (GEF)

Building up on our engagement with Beijing+25 review processes at regional and global levels that started in 2019, and as an identified priority in RESURJ’s Action Agenda, we engaged with the Generation Equality Forums in Mexico and France in 2021. RESURJ member from Libya participated in the Beijing+25 Youth Task Force, through which we co-created the Youth Journey. We also contributed language to the Young Feminist Manifesto, which came out of young people’s concerns around GEF, and stressed the need for autonomous youth organizing these processes. The Young Feminist Manifesto articulates young people’s visions of young feminist leadership and roles in the GEF. In parallel, we continued to engage in conversations around accountability of the
Action Coalitions (ACs), formation of the Blueprints, and applications of funds commitments.

We also hosted two dialogues with younger south feminists, led by members from Zambia and Libya, on SRJ realities in the context of the Generation Equality Forums in Mexico and Paris and Action Coalition Blueprints. These dialogues created space for younger south feminists to reflect on and discuss concerns, challenges and opportunities for SRJ within the work of Action Coalitions specifically and the GEF process more broadly.

With the increase of anti-gender mobilizations in global organising spaces, we noticed concerted anti-trans messaging and attacks on LGBTQI organisations during CSW65. Along with feminist and LGBTQI activists, collectives and organizations RESURJ co-developed the Affirmation of Feminist Principles statement for sign on; to support of LGBTQI and gender non conforming activism. In the same vein, we co-hosted an event titled “Amplifying Feminists Power: Resisting Anti-Rights Movements” at the GEF Paris in partnership with AWID, IPAS and Political Research Associate.
As a follow up to the long GEF process, we submitted RESURJ’s commitments to the Action Coalitions. Our commitments emerged from the collective’s vision to continue to mobilize diverse young feminists constituencies to advocate for accountability within the different advocacy spaces. We committed to various Action Coalitions coming out of the GEF process. In our commitments, we pledged to persistent advocacy for the realization of sexual and reproductive justice, collective support and accompaniment for sustaining young south feminists formations, carrying out evidence-based advocacy for a transformative and comprehensive approach to gender-based violence, and diversifying the participation of young feminists in advocacy and accountability spaces.

Figure 7: cover illustration of RESURJ GEF commitments
High Level Political Forum (HLPF)

The High Level Political Forum (HLPF) on Sustainable Development took place virtually from 6th to 15th July. As with CSW65, we adapted the ways we accompany and support younger feminists and newcomers to the space; to fit the context of civil society virtual engagement with advocacy spaces. One of our main interventions at HLPF was holding a Feminist Community of Care (FemCom) session, that brought together 38 younger South feminists from Côte d’Ivoire, Brazil, Egypt, Namibia, Madagascar, Mexico, Argentina, Germany, Philippines, Mexico, Zimbabwe, Cameroun, Colombia and Paraguay, some of which were preparing the Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs). This FemCom session was a space for younger South feminists to gain a critical understanding of the 2030 Agenda, its follow-up mechanisms, and how these are linked to other human rights frameworks and processes and inter-governmental spaces. The Femcom also came as a space for younger feminists to collectively identify entry points to engaging with the HLPF civil society processes including the Women’s Major Group (WMG), and to share experiences and insights around engaging with HLPF and VNRs.

During the Forum, we actively contributed to the WMG position paper, in particular highlighting the interlinkages between food security and SRHR and the impact of criminalising precautionary and prevention measures during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In the lead up to HLPF, our member from Sri Lanka was selected to deliver an intervention on behalf of the Women’s Major Group during the HLPF Expert Group meeting on SDG 3 on Health and Wellbeing. The statement highlighted structural challenges faced in accessing
quality healthcare particularly in contexts were free and public health services are underfunded and underdeveloped. The statement also addressed the impact of the criminalization approach to a global public health crisis, and further called for a justice approach to vaccines, emphasising the duty of states to ensure the availability and accessibility of vaccines to all persons at all times.

**COP26**

The 26th Conference of the Parties (COP26) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), in Glasgow, was the first intergovernmental space for RESURJ to actively engage with on the climate crisis justice. We saw our engagement at COP26 as a way to strengthen our cross movement work, and to share with more activist and environmental rights groups the interlinkages we have identified over the years; between the environment, SRHR, economic justice, and environmental justice. For a little over two weeks, RESURJ member from the United Kingdom and our younger feminist accomplice from DIVA for Equality, Fiji participated in feminist organizing spaces set by the Women and Gender Constituency in November. Our objectives in this advocacy space included influencing member states, civil society and other stakeholders to come up with comprehensive responses to the climate crises that consider interlinkages with SRHR and bodily autonomy. As well as taking into account, and providing cross-movement solidarity and support to climate justice and environmental justice movements including advocating for loss and damage financing.

During COP26, we provided input to the Women and Gender Constituency [intervention](#) and key demands based
on our identified objectives. We also joined the protest during COP26 which was a response to the challenges feminists and civil society groups witnessed such as the shrinking space for engagement with the processes and the watered down outcomes that were being proposed by states that also lacked strong commitments.

Regional Advocacy

Pre-Generation Equality Forum (GEF) feminist youth conference meetings

Within the GEF processes, we attended the GEF young feminist UN conference which was an entirely youth-led space right before the Paris forum. The conference brought together 600 new and existing young people to the GEF process, to collectively strategize around the Paris Forum and develop a youth advocacy plan for the GEF processes for the next five years. The conference was a collaborative intervention between the Beijing+25 Youth Task Force, National Gender Activists, youth leads of Action Coalitions, and partner organisations like Restless Development, She Decides, Adolescent Girls Investment Plan (AGIP), and Action Aid. The coordinating group relied on the GEF Young Feminist Manifesto, which we contributed to, as a blueprint to design and implement the conference. During the conference, RESURJ member from Libya led discussions and provided substantive input to diverse platforms regarding the SWANA region and attended closed door meetings where she brought in our reflections, drawn from our GEF commitments and 13 point Action Agenda. Our recommendations highlighted
the need for more holistic solutions instead of quick fixes that are not sustainable. RESURJ member from Libya also highlighted the need for sex positive and pleasure centered discourses in our feminist advocacy.
SHIFTING NARRATIVES AND BUILDING EVIDENCE FOR JUSTICE
Beyond Criminalization

AWID’s Crear | Résister | Transform Festival

RESURJ engaged in a conversation titled “Resisting criminalization: feminist organizing for sexual and reproductive justice and bodily integrity” in September 2021, at AWID’s Crear | Résister | Transform Festival. This conversation brought insights from RESURJ’s Beyond Criminalization thought leadership, Injusta Justicia campaign in Latin America and the Caribbean, Balance Promoción Para el Desarrollo y Juventud from Mexico, and Hidden Pockets Collective from India.

The highlights from this interactive session included participants’ inputs on the narrow definition of ‘harm’, the rigid understanding of what constitutes justice within the criminal justice system, and the crux of legal age in matters pertaining to adolescents’ sexuality and bodily integrity.

Launch of The Criminalization of a Pandemic

Vecinas Feministas por la Justicia Sexual y Reproductiva from Latin America and the Caribbean collaborated with RESURJ, traced national and governmental punitive measures set as a response to COVID-19. Instead of addressing the pandemic as a public health crisis, a militarised response was the predominant mitigation measure to COVID-19 in many of our countries. The Criminalization of A Pandemic: A Cross Regional Feminist
Analysis is available in Arabic, English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish.

**Injusta Justicia Campaign**

Injusta Justicia is a collaborative campaign that launched in 2020 in Latin America and Caribbean, the campaign is coordinated by Balance Promoción para el Desarrollo y Juventud, Vecinas Feministas, and RESURJ. Aiming to reach a wider audience in other regions, RESURJ translated and disseminated the Injusta Justicia campaign messages in English in 2021.

**Development of the Criminalization Discussion Guide**

Following the launch of the Injusta Justicia campaign, its coordinating group and regional partners acknowledged the need to develop a discussion guide as a tool to sustain and hold conversations with feminists around punitivism and overcriminalization. Additionally to support the campaign’s outreach to a wider audience in Latin America and the Caribbean. It is a collective tool that will be published in Spanish, for communities and feminists in Latin America and Caribbean to reflect on and question how the criminal justice system impacts people’s lives disproportionately depending on the different aspects of the marginalizing conditions of a various communities on the basis of age, disability, race, class, and sexuality, HIV status, and indiginity.

**Female Genital Mutilation and Racism**

In November 2021, RESURJ member from Egypt, joined the roundtable titled “Intersectionality: Female Genital Mutilation and Racism”, organised by The Female Genital
Mutilation Legal Working Group at the World Bank. The speakers shared insights from different parts of the world on racism hindering collective efforts to end female genital mutilation, and reflected on ways transnational organizing can strengthen such efforts to uproot this harmful practice.

**Interlinkages**

Our Lived Realities: Evidence for Justice

Our Lived Realities is RESURJ’s flagship initiative that embodies some of our local to global strategies around transformative narratives and evidence building for advocacy. We have come to observe overtime that women’s voices and realities - particularly, young women’s and adolescents’ realities - are almost always missing from negotiations and decision-making in the hallways of power. RESURJ’s approach to justice urges governments and decision-makers to recognize the lives behind the policy documents and agreements and address the interlinkages between women’s bodies, health, and human rights in the context of the social, ecological, political and economic conditions that we face globally. Our Lived Realities is a direct response to this absence and an effort to document evidence for change that addresses the lives of women in a holistic approach, taking into account the various intersecting identities of women, girls, adolescents and young people in all their diversities.

In 2021, we worked with a designer, writer and web developers to present the first two stories of Our Lived
Realities in engaging and accessible ways. *Workers far from home* illustrates the realities of migrant domestic workers who seek to make a living for themselves and their families in Lebanon under the Kafala system. *Our lives in the village* is about the realities of adolescent girls in Nigeria which focuses on the impact of resource and livelihood-based conflict between sedentary farmers and nomadic pastoralists in the Nigerian Middle Belt states of Benue and Nasarawa.

Through telling the stories of seven adolescent girls who lived through these conflicts, the interlinkages between economic, environmental and sexual reproductive justice issues are bolded. Going forward we will be working with RESURJ member from Rwanda on another Our Lived Realities project, to further inform our collective advocacy demands in different international and regional platforms. The official launch of Our Lived Realities is currently being planned.

**Vaccine Justice**

RESURJ members shared insights about vaccine justice and shared concerns around the geopolitics of the vaccines; its intersections with SRHR and economic rights, in various forums.


2. RESURJ member from Sri Lanka contributed to the cross-movement teach-in on vaccine justice organised
3. RESURJ member from Rwanda was hosted on the Feminists for a People’s Vaccine Campaign podcast to discuss how feminists from the global south imagine a post pandemic world: https://feminists4peoplesvaccine.org/podcasts/6-how-can-feminists-from-the-global-south-imagine-a-post-pandemic-world/

4. During HLPF 2021, RESURJ member from Sri Lanka contributed to the articulation of a justice approach to vaccines and highlighted the duty of states to ensure the availability and accessibility of vaccines to all people at all times: https://sdgs.un.org/sites/default/files/2021-06/SDG%203%20Intervention%20on%20behalf%20of%20Sachini%20Perera.pdf

Figure 8: dissemination piece of Feminists for a People’s Vaccine Podcast featuring RESURJ member from Rwanda, Chantal Umuhiza.
Digital Justice and APrIGF

We convened feminist digital rights activists through a virtual transnational conversation on how access, expression and violence on the internet are experienced by women, queer and trans people in different countries at the Asia Pacific Regional Internet Governance Forum (APrIGF) in September. The speakers shared insights from Body and Data (Nepal), Hashtag Generation (Sri Lanka,) FLAME (Taiwan), Kryss Network (Malaysia) and RESURJ. The discussions connected the links between the governments’ increased use of criminal law to regulate people’s behaviour online and the implications on freedom of expression, especially for communities who are marginalised on the basis of their gender, ethnicity, class, migrant status, etc. and have limited access to online spaces. The convening, which was attended by over 100 participants, went further to unpack how macroeconomic policies enable and thrive on online gender-based violence, misinformation and hate speech.
at national level. As well as, the role of platform companies in regulating and protecting freedom of expression. The session further unpacked the different strategies that go beyond laws, policies and content moderation, and offer new ways of reclaiming the internet as a common space in which meaningful access is defined by how free and vibrant all persons in all diversities can be online.

Figure 10: Graphic representation of the cross-regional conversation on reclaiming freedom of expression online at APrIGF
COMMUNICATIONS
AND CAMPAIGNS
Communications is an integral part of RESURJ’s strategy to amplify its research, analysis, programmatic and advocacy initiative. Over the years, we have consistently focused on and worked toward strengthening our approach around communications and the tools we use for it, while also taking into account the tensions with safety and security, accessibility, platform capitalism, and the need for autonomous infrastructure for feminist organizing. As a transnational collective, RESURJ has always relied on virtual connections within and outside of the collective to continue our work. However, the world moved from physical to digital during the pandemic in 2020, necessitating our continuous online presence, not just in terms of our work and movement, but also in our personal lives to stay connected with our loved ones, which for many, was the only way to be present for people in our lives. It was important to create new ways of navigating through this new digital reality to ensure we do not move toward burnout. 2021 was a year of transitions, not only in terms of people who are a part of the collective, but also in terms of work. We had in front of us extensive collective work - creating our 2021 - 2025 Strategic Plan, Communications Strategy, onboarding new members to the collective and the Secretariat, continuing our advocacy efforts, expanding our Mutual Aid initiative and more. To find a balance between care, rest, and resistance, we focused on shifting our communications approach toward ensuring an inclusive structure for both our external as well as internal communications. Finding ways of keeping the collective connected in a healthy way taking into consideration the sudden shift toward an overload of online presence, while ensuring the work we do reaches people in an engaging and accessible format has been a key consideration for the communications
team at RESURJ which comprises of a few RESURJ members and dedicated Secretariat staff.

External Communications

For RESURJ, 2021 was about navigating through new realities while making space for us to continue in the path of advancing our vision and mission, and it resonated true with our external communications output as well. A major part of RESURJ’s work focuses on amplification and awareness around SRJ and its various intersections, which our Action Agenda speaks about in detail, and our external communication platforms are one of the most important tools toward that end. While advocacy and movement building at a transnational level is extremely important to shift global trends, and result in policy changes feminists have been demanding, many a time the language we use and work that we do becomes inaccessible to those who are not involved in the movement directly. This inaccessibility makes it difficult to penetrate the sections of the society that can benefit the most from our work. To bridge this gap, our external communication platforms focus on making this language and work more accessible and easier to understand and consume. It also helps us ascertain and analyse the reach of our work, based on which we can further improve our communications strategy to make sure this reach sees continuous growth.
Our external communications platforms include:

Our website
www.resurj.org
33,612 total website views at the end of 2021

RESURJ Newsletter
418 subscribers at the end of 2020
496 subscribers at the end of 2021 (a 18.66% increase from 2020) Subscribe

Facebook
2044 followers at the end of 2020
2287 followers at the end of 2021 (a 11.89% increase from 2020)
https://www.facebook.com/RESURJ/

Instagram
1,360 followers at the end of 2020
1,559 followers at the end of 2021 (a 14.63% increase from 2020)
https://www.instagram.com/resurj/

Twitter
4,679 followers at the end of 2020
5,281 followers at the end of 2021 (a 12.87% increase from 2020)
https://twitter.com/RESURJ
Reflections On Our Countries

Reflections On Our Countries is RESURJ’s flagship series through which we publish think pieces, analyses, and experiences of our members as well as our accomplices and allies from across the global south. The aim is to create a space for younger South feminists to reflect on policy developments, legislation, feminist movement-building, and social and political injustices and progress in our respective countries and regions. Our Reflections build upon RESURJ’s 13 point Action Agenda and our Sexual and Reproductive Justice framework, highlighting the interlinkages between sexual and reproductive justice and its social, economic, and environmental aspects.

How are Reflections disseminated? Housed in the website, disseminated to how many people through the MailChimp newsletter, and also disseminated through our social media and various feminist and advocacy listservs.

In 2021, 4 editions of Reflections were released.

Some of the topics covered in 2021 included:

- Feminist responses to COVID-19 (COVID-19)
- Access to healthcare (Healthcare)
- Gender Based Violence (GBV)
- Caste Based Atrocities
- LGBTQ+ Rights
- Abortion Rights
- Feminist Art
- Intergenerational Reciprocity
- Collective Care
• State Sanctioned Sexual Violence
• Food Security
• Feminism and Religious Faith
• Young Feminist Organizing
• Vaccine Certificate
• Economic Justice
• Criminalization

1st Edition, 2021 (January - February)
In this edition we discussed some important decisions that were made around SRHR across countries in the global south and the key role that young feminist activists were undertaking to impact these decisions. It included Reflections from Mexico, Pakistan, Argentina, Honduras, and Sri Lanka.

2nd Edition, 2021 (May - June)
In this edition we discussed gender-based violence, environment, economic justice, religion, health crises, and virtual advocacy from sexual and reproductive justice viewpoints. We shared Reflections from Zambia, Egypt, Brazil, and Mozambique.

3rd Edition, 2021 (July - August)
In this edition we discussed the interlinked issues and challenges affecting sexual and reproductive health, gender, and health care access from the different regions
and countries. We saw entries from Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Egypt, India, Palestine, and Zambia.

4th Edition, 2021 (September - October)
In this edition we highlighted the intersection of art, access to healthcare, transnational narratives, history, and trans rights movement with SRHR, and saw entries from Brazil, Western Sahara, Egypt, Sri Lanks, Taiwan, and Rwanda.

16 Days Of Activism Edition, 2021 (December)
In December, we focused on gender based violence (GBV) and its various manifestations for the 16 Days Of Activism and reshared Reflections from previous years. We shared entries from Rwanda, Egypt, Kenya, Lebanon, Mexico, Libya, Pakistan, and Canada.

Most Popular Reflections:
- Vaccine Certification And Passports- A Dangerous Path For Bodily Autonomy, Equity, And Freedoms
- Covid-19 Vaccine, Economic Justice and Bill Gates; A Moment of Reckoning for SRHR Movements
- Our green bandanas will remain as visible as our activism!
- COVID-19 & The Trans Community In India: A Conversation With Grace Banu
- Hurting And Healing In The “Global South”
One of our major highlights was the launch of our **revamped website** on 5 March 2021! The work around it began in late 2020 in collaboration with ODDLY, a web development company from Sri Lanka. Following an audit of our previous website, our objectives in revamping the website were to:

- Improve accessibility and user experience;
- Improve backend experience and security;
- Increase visitors and their engagement with the site;
- Improve the visibility of our work; and
- Position RESURJ as a key resource for South-based knowledge and analysis on sexual and reproductive justice.

**Figure 11: RESURJ’s old website**
The revamping entailed:

• Restructuring how we presented our information. Taxonomy of the new website.

• Content writing for the website as a process of feminist archiving. Milestones is a good example [https://resurj.org/about/milestones/](https://resurj.org/about/milestones/). Through our revamped website, we wanted to prioritize the creation of a feminist archive of resources, think pieces, history, and milestones, which celebrates and amplifies the spaces we have held, systems we have questioned, and steps we have taken towards the realization of sexual and reproductive justice.

• Visual identity and accessibility baked into the project from the outset rather than afterthoughts. One of the most important aspects of the revamped website is its accessibility. Accessibility was prioritised and baked into the project from the outset rather than
afterthoughts. From the very beginning, we are clear that the visuals that we use, the colours that we select, and the typography is placed in a manner which adheres to accessibility guidelines.

- Visual identity of the website: We welcomed Sonaksha Iyengar, a queer South Asian illustrator, writer and graphic recorder, to come onboard to create the visual identity of the new website. We embraced a collective and participatory process for this with members talking about what they want to see visually in the website and Sonaksha building on that. Diverse bodies, natural and urban environments, feminist slogans from some of our countries, SRHR services, campaigns, etc. were some of the many themes suggested and illustrated.

**Most Popular Posts in 2021:**
- [Online Sex Ed in Sri Lanka: For Whom and To What End?](#)
- [Reflections On Our Countries](#)
- [Resources](#)
- [Action Agenda](#)
- [Colonialism and Colorism: Why Anti-Racism Talks Matter in Pakistan](#)
- [Our Lived Realities](#)

**Social Media**

2021 saw many first times for RESURJ’s social media. We experimented with our content – both existing and new, and prioritised making the information we share as accessible as possible. To this end, we organised our first
ever Instagram Live with Sachini Perera and Sonaksha Iyengar, where they talked about the process of working together on the new RESURJ’s website and the larger vision around it. We also organised our first ever Twitter Space with Hidden Pockets Collective, talking about RESURJ’s Mutual Aid and how it supported the collective’s COVID-19 focused work in India. Some of the many spaces RESURJ participated in were documented as Twitter Live and Moments. This included RESURJ’s storytelling workshop at the Global South Women’s Forum (GSWF) on “Drawing In Our Bodies In The Landscape Of Environmental Justice” and the “Transnational Conversations On Reclaiming Freedom Of Expression Online” at the Asia Pacific Regional Internet Governance Forum (APrIGF).

**Top Social Media Posts**

**Instagram**

**Transition Announcement**

Our update around transitions in RESURJ Secretariat and Executive Coordination garnered the most visibility and engagement with 504 reach and 75 engagement. One of the reasons for this is the personal element to the post which our audience identifies with and wishes to learn more about. The process of transition in any organization comes from a deep sense of care and feminist commitment of sharing power. RESURJ audience come from the same feminist understanding and believe in genuinity and importance of the process.
Twitter

Solidarity with activists

RESURJ’s call for solidarity with activists raising their voices against Turkey’s withdrawal from the Istanbul Convention garnered 15,500 impressions and 408 engagement on Twitter. Feminist transnational solidarity is among RESURJ’s core values and vision which is equally supported and prioritized by our audience, majority of whom come from similar feminist backgrounds. This is one of the reasons why our call for solidarity resonated deeply with RESURJ audience.

Challenges

While there were many social media wins for us in 2021, it certainly wasn’t free of challenges. Corporate driven algorithm of these platforms is one such challenge. While the platforms gives better visibility to those who do not align their content toward political discourses (except for Facebook, which has been criticized for its political affiliations), feminist organizations like us have to navigate through this pushback, risking our visibility and reach. Another major challenge was navigating around Facebook as a platform. While we discussed the accessibility of the platform to various communities in comparison to Instagram and Twitter, we also discussed the capitalistic structure and data and security issues that platform entails. Navigating through the platform is an ongoing conversation at RESURJ and we wish to have a deeper conversation within the collective on if and how we need to move forward.
Campaigns

RESURJ also launched campaigns, both individually and in collaboration with other civil society organisations. Here are highlights from some of them:

Injusta Justicia Campaign

The Injusta Justicia (Unjust Justice) regional campaign by RESURJ, Vecinas Feministas and Balance, critiquing protectionist approaches to adolescent sexuality in Latin America. Conceptualised in 2019, the campaign is an invitation to reflect on the limitations of the penal system, punitivism and protectionism as strategies to defend adolescents' SRHR and the impact they have in adolescents' lives.

In 2021, we focused on amplifying the various case studies the team had worked on from Latin America which highlighted how the tools designed to protect adolescents' autonomy and rights end up violating them, especially from a criminalization perspective.

Apart from RESURJ, Vecinas Feministas and Balance who constitute the coordinating group, various organisations and constituencies from Latin America joined hands as partners to amplify the campaign - Airena, BECA, Casa Rara, ECAP, Intersecta, Las Ramonas, REDI, Surkuna, and Tik Na’Oj and Ixpop-Ix. We shared various infographics and videos highlighting the case studies and its direct connection to RESURJ’s Beyond Criminalization work which culminated into the campaign hashtag, #InjustaJusticia being shared 280+ time between August and October 2021. A total of 8 case studies of adolescents facing the consequences of criminalization and punitive measures around SRHR were shared in English and Spanish through
Criminalization of a Pandemic

Criminalization of a Pandemic is a research collaboration between RESURJ and Vecinas Feministas that started in March 2020 to address the rising spread and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, and build a feminist mapping and analysis of the myriad of measures adopted across the world to halt the spread of COVID-19, especially punitive measures and its impact on marginalized communities - women, migrants and refugees, LGBTQ+ people, people in prison and more. The research culminated in a report on 18 March 2021 - The Criminalization of a Pandemic: A Cross-Regional Feminist Analysis.

In 2021, we kicked off a dissemination campaign for the research and the report which included:
• A CSW 65 parallel event was organised in the form of a dialogue on March 17, 2021, inviting a panel of speakers who were involved in the process of making of this report – Lucía Berro Pizzarossa from Vecinas Feministas, Mirta Moragas from Vecinas Feministas and RESURJ, Mari-Claire Price from RESURJ, Nana Abuelsoud from Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights (EIPR) and RESURJ.

• We also launched a social media campaign with the hashtag #CriminalizingCovid under which we shared the results of the report through a series of graphics in Arabic, English, Portuguese and Spanish. The campaign was very well received with multiple retweets and amplification by RESURJ allies and accomplices. We were reached out by an Instagram follower interested in supporting the translation of the report into Italian, saying she loved it and wanted more people to be able to access it in her country.

Figure 14: Content from the #CriminalizingCovid campaign
Twitter Space with Hidden Pockets Collective

We organized a Twitter Space with former RESURJ members, Jasmine Lovely George from Hidden Pockets Collective on 21 July 2021 where we talked about the COVID-19 relief work organised by the Hidden Pockets Collective centering sexual and reproductive health and rights & bodily autonomy in India, with the support of RESURJ’s Mutual Aid. In the Space, we discussed the added resistance to accepting the access to sexual and reproductive health, rights, and justice as an essential service during the COVID-19 pandemic, and how RESURJ’s mutual aid was able to support Hidden Pockets Collective in their work toward overcoming this challenge.

Collaborative Campaigns

We collaborated and partnered with other feminist and civil society organizations for 3 campaigns - An Affirmation of Feminist Principles with Crea, HLPF Color Campaign with the Women’s Major Group, and Feminists For People’s Vaccine Campaign with DAWN and Third World Network and more.

RESURJ Visual Identity Guide

We collaborated with Celina Huús to develop a Visual Identity Guide for RESURJ, created in cohesion with the RESURJ logo as well as the illustrations, colors and fonts that were introduced for RESURJ by Sonaksha. The Visual Identity Guide is a standard guide for the correct usage of the graphic elements that make up and lay down the design fundamentals of RESURJ’s visual presence. The guide was created to make sure anyone who wishes to
talk about RESURJ or publishes any media output in collaboration with RESURJ creates it in a way that is consistent with RESURJ’s website and general design. The visual identity talks about the font (typography) that can be used for any media output, the logos which can be used and on which background, how to mention credits, which colors to use and to not use for graphics, and more. The entire guide, including the typography and colour scheme, has been drafted by keeping accessibility as a priority.

**Communications Strategy 2021 - 2025**

RESURJ communications are based on a draft communications strategy that was first developed in 2018-2019. In 2021 we picked up this process again to update the strategy to align with the new strat plan for 2021-2025. The Communications Strategy aims to lay down strategies to achieve our communications goals stemming from the Strategic Plan, ensuring a synthesis of the two toward realizing sexual and reproductive justice for all. We expect the comms strategy to be finalized in 2022.
STRENGTHENING THE COLLECTIVE
RESURJ Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning Process

We kicked off a participatory process to redesign and strengthen our alliance’s Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) strategy, to complement and strengthen our 2021-2025 strategic plan. We envision the development of this MEL strategy and related tools and frameworks will be rooted in feminist principles and praxis.

As a first step in this process, we created a standalone position within the secretariat that focuses on MEL and this was filled by a RESURJ member in August, 2021. The Secretariat and members came together at different moments to begin to co-create a plan that would allow for us to identify the ways we can strengthen our learning practices within the collective and to effectuate the implementation of 2021-2025 strategic plan across all outcomes and goals.

We took some time to review our learning practices and processes and analyse their strengths and development areas. We also conceptualized the conversations that we plan on having in 2022 with other feminists from the global south on political aspects of MEL and the learning practices, including best practices that younger feminists are using within their organizing.
Mindful Transition sessions

RESURJ went through a leadership transition with our former Executive Coordinator Marisa Viana transitioning out and our new Executive Coordinator Sachini Perera taking up the role along with a new Secretariat. As part of our collective care practices to feel grounded and be mindfully together, RESURJ collaborated with Chetna Mehta from MosaicEye to accompany us through this transition. We organised a series of sessions around Mindful Transition through which we explored how we can stay grounded, creative, committed, kind and connected through personal, interpersonal, organisational and social transitions.

Strategic Plan

In 2021, we continued working on our 2021-2025 strategic plan, particularly on strengthening the indicators framework to track our progress towards the five main outcome areas.

Outcome 1

Expanded constituencies of South-based younger feminists who are leading movement building for sexual and reproductive justice and creating a stronger foundation
for transformative social change in our communities and contexts.

**Outcome 2**

Demonstrated commitment by states and increased funding for the realization of SRHR that take into account the social, economic, environmental determinants of health and wellbeing.

**Outcome 3**

Sustained cross-movement and cross-regional organising, solidarity and analysis towards a stronger interlinked SRJ approach.

**Outcome 4**

Feminist movements have language, evidence, opportunities and resources to advocate towards transformative and more comprehensive approaches to address sexual and reproductive rights violations and gender-based violence.

**Outcome 5**

RESURJ is a stronger, more resilient younger south feminist led alliance that supports its diversified membership base, engaged in diverse national social justice movements, that grounds RESURJ’s vision and build upon member’s calls to action and priorities.
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
In 2021, we continued with our 2020 strategy of re-allocating resources earmarked for in-person global and regional advocacy, in addition to dialogues’ and convenings’ resources towards younger feminist movement support, Thought Leadership online activities and the second phase of RESURJ Mutual Aid Fund.

The Total Operating Revenue in 2021: USD 723,562.00

In 2021, we received USD 703,500 from private foundations, whereas we raised USD 20,000 from women’s funds, and were gifted USD 62 by individual contributors. We shifted our allocated budget allocations for travelling and in-person meetings to expand accessibility in our virtual communications, including securing translators and interpreters, covering participants’ data cost, and providing honoraria to members leading our different pieces of work.

The Total Expenses in 2021: USD 535,351.64

Our Program Areas expenses totalled USD 455,441.68 and included our efforts in supporting younger feminist leadership and organizing, and the Thought Leadership work through Beyond Criminalization and Our Lived Realities: Evidence for Justice. This sum also accounts for global and regional advocacy engagement during 2021, and combined, it represents about 63% of our budget.

Given that 2021 was a year of strategic planning, leadership transition, and virtual regional and global advocacy activities, RESURJ members ended up giving substantial time and labor to the collective beyond what we usually would. We also couldn’t organize our annual in-person
retreat a second year in a row due to the pandemic so we reallocated some of our resources towards honoring members’ additional efforts as well as collective care.

Our organisational and core expenses came to USD 79,909.96 which is 11% of our total revenue. It covers fiscal sponsorship, insurance and benefits for RESURJ secretariat members, resource mobilisation, Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning, as well as, infrastructure costs for our communication platforms.

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*Figure 15: Sources of revenue for 2021*
Total Expenses: USD 535,351.64

Programme: USD 455,441.68

Organizational and Core: USD 79,909.96

Figure 16: Allocation of expenses for 2021

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Finally, to all of our current and former members that make RESURJ a reality. Roar on!
ANNEX I: COMPENDIUM OF REFLECTIONS FROM OUR COUNTRIES IN 2021
Covid-19 and its Impact

- COVID-19 & The Trans Community In India: A Conversation With Grace Banu by Suman Saurav, India
- Food, SRHR, & COVID-19: A Feminist Approach To Food by Dana Zhang, Taiwan
- Feminization Of Poverty And Pandemic In Brazil by Mari Malheiros, Brazil
- In The Health Crisis Our Rights Remain Under Attack by Colectivo Mangueiras, Brazil
- Vaccine Certification And Passports- A Dangerous Path For Bodily Autonomy, Equity, And Freedoms by Mari Claire Price, The United Kingdom
- Covid-19 Vaccine, Economic Justice and Bill Gates; A Moment of Reckoning for SRHR Movements by Sachini Perera, Sri Lanka
- Brazil: A Man Made Disaster by Gisela Foz, Brazil

Gender Based Violence (GBV)

- Defining “Domestic Violence” by Roula Seghaier, Lebanon
- Egypt And The Bill Of FGM: More Punishment, Less Data by Nana Abuelsoud, Egypt
- These Unsafe Streets by Theo Mabunga, Zambia
- From Occupied Palestine: A Reflection on State-Sanctioned Sexual Violence by Shams Hanieh, Palestine
SRHR and Abortion

The Body That Aborts: A History Or A Statistic? By Bruna David, Brazil

The Danger Of An Out Of Context Narrative: Abortion Advocacy In Global Policy Spaces by Chantel Umuhoza

Reproductive Justice In Western Sahara Between Patriarchal And Nationalist Discourse And The Right To Self-Determination by Feminist Consciousness, Western Sahara

Beyond Superstition: How IUDs Moved by Nana Abuelsoud, Egypt

A Feminist Accident: On Abortion And Reproductive Justice In Egypt by Nana Abuelsoud, Egypt

Population Indicators: Who Is Left Behind? by Nana Abuelsoud, Egypt

Snapshot of a Honduran inquisition by Ana Padila, Honduran

Honduras and the (un)constitutional criminalization of abortion by Iris Romero, Honduras

Our green bandanas will remain as visible as our activism! by Pamela Martín García, Argentina

Interlinkeges and Feminist Praxis

The Cost Of Virtual Advocacy On The Marginalized by Sibusiso Malunga, Zambia

Why Women in Power Matter by Madiha Latif, Pakistan

Always Resist Never Give Up – Young Women In Action by Angelina Magibire E Sílvia Dywili, Mozambique
All the things I wasn’t told about my treatment by Yara Sallam, Egypt

LGBTQI Movement And The Trade-Off: Public Health vs Rights by Sibusiso Malunga, Zambia

Faith/minism: Place Of Resistance And Warmth by Coletivo Fé.ministas, Brazil

Hurting And Healing In The “Global South” by Sachini Perera, Sri Lanka

Trans Rights in Taiwan: A Resistance Against The Growing Anti-Gender Movement by Dana Zhang, Taiwan

From Self-Care To Collective Care by Laura Valenciano, Costa Rica

Breaking Binaries And Intergenerational Reciprocity by Marisa Viana and Ruby Johnson