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Ecuador



Peru

# Factsheet “Rondas Campesinas facing violence against women”

Presentation of the training program on democratic leadership styles for men and women who wish to prevent gender-specific violence. The participants\* were not only sensitized and trained on this topic, the trainings also led to the strengthening of their leadership positions in the community of Chililique Alto. This measure generated such a demand that it was used in more than 70 similarly structured organisations.

**Fighting Violence against Women in Latin America**

**Rondas Campesinas**  
facing violence against women

**Context**  
The Rondas Campesinas from the north community of Chililique Alto, located in the district of Chulucanas, the province of Piura and the region of Piura. Men and their sons and female members are the direct beneficiaries of the program.

The Rondas Campesinas are autonomous, democratic self-organized community organizations whose main function is to facilitate the dialogue between “rondas campesinas” and the Peruvian state. Being recognized and operationalized over time, these groups have established, with inter-institutional collaboration, links and maintain peace and security within the communities.


The Rondas Campesinas are active at the national, provincial, regional and central level. At the regional level they collaborate with judicial authorities, the public ministry and the regional government, whereas at local level they work together with municipal government, national and provincial police, government, national government, teachers and representatives of health services.

**Cooperation**  
Violence against women in the Chililique Alto community had become such a burden for the community that authorities had to intervene. The national government, the local Rondas Campesinas and the District Government (DGO) through the Regional Government of Chulucanas took the initiative and approached the GenderMag project a national prevention program. GenderMag considered this an excellent chance to cooperate directly with

such an important civil organization. The cooperation is based on the national goal to enhance effective capacity building training with the aim to prevent violence against women in local areas.

When the community had its first event to raise awareness about gender-based violence, the aim to register was unexpectedly strong. 200 people attended and the next event attracted 300. This achievement “Thinking of community leaders” program, which consisted of five monthly meetings of the “Rondas Campesinas” in Chililique Alto. They shared general experiences and discussed topics such as:

- violence,
- the different forms of violence,
- the treatment of female personalities,
- demands and participation within and outside the community,
- women’s autonomy,
- alternative educational models and
- the importance of the “Rondas Campesinas” in the context of preventing gender-based violence.



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# Paraguay

# Factsheet “Ending violence against women in rural areas”

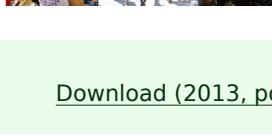
The National Coordinator of Rural and Indigenous Women’s Organizations (CONAMURI) unites several indigenous and rural women workers organizations from different provinces across Paraguay. Through its campaign “Stop Violence against Women in Rural Areas”, CONAMURI has made stopping violence against women in rural areas not only a strategic priority, but also placed the issue on the agendas of counterpart organizations and various government agencies in Paraguay.

## ► Fighting Violence against Women in Latin America

Ending violence against women in rural areas

**Context**  
The Coordinadora Nacional de Organizaciones de Mujeres Rurales e Indígenas (CONAMURI), the National Coordinator of Rural and Indigenous Women’s Organizations is the only national umbrella organization that unites indigenous and rural women workers organizations from different provinces. Paraguay CONAMURI considers equal rights between men and women within the family and beyond, not just an aspiration, but a goal to be achieved in all spheres of life. CONAMURI works to empower rural and indigenous women in all forms of life.

**Objectives**  
CONAMURI advocates for change “Stop Violence against Women in Rural Areas” together with the Coordinadora Latinoamericana de Organizaciones de Mujeres (CLAM) and the Red Latinoamericana de Organizaciones de Mujeres (RELAM). CONAMURI partners with the Red Latinoamericana de Organizaciones de Mujeres (RELAM) and the Red Latinoamericana de Organizaciones de Mujeres (RELAM). CONAMURI partners with the Red Latinoamericana de Organizaciones de Mujeres (RELAM) and the Red Latinoamericana de Organizaciones de Mujeres (RELAM). CONAMURI partners with the Red Latinoamericana de Organizaciones de Mujeres (RELAM) and the Red Latinoamericana de Organizaciones de Mujeres (RELAM).



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