

# Six Women Rights Hashtags

# Digital Activism in 21st Century

#### #SendeAnlat

In 2015, mass demonstrations have erupted in Turkey following the murder of a woman who attempted to prevent a man from sexually assaulting her, which has also resulted in a surge of women sharing their experiences of sexual harassment, violence, and anxiety through a Twitter movement. In reaction to the murder as well as the disturbing levels of sexual harassment and violence in Turkey, women have turned to social media and started using the hashtag #sendeanlat (share your story).

## #BringBackOurGirls

Back in 2014 in Nigeria, the #BringBackOurGirls social media movement captivated individuals worldwide who were anxious about the situation of 276 schoolgirls who were abducted by the terrorist organization Boko Haram. As of today, out of the 276 schoolgirls who were kidnapped, 112 girls are still missing, 57 managed to escape, and 107 have been released. <u>https://bringbackourgirls.ng</u>

## #YesAllWomen

A man killed six people and then himself on May 23, 2014 in United States. He wrote a document explaining that he did it because he was angry that women rejected him and jealous of men who were attractive and successful. After the incident, people used social media to express their sympathy for the victims and their families, and also to discuss important issues like misogynyand violence against women.

## #HeForShe

#HeForShe is a social media campaign launched by the United Nations in 2014 to engage men and boys as advocates for gender equality and to end discrimination and violence against women and girls. The campaign was launched by Emma Watson in a speech at the UN headquarters and has attracted widespread support worldwide. Members of the #HeForShe movement actively work alongside women to create positive change in various aspects of life such as business, family, and community engagement. <a href="https://www.heforshe.org/en">https://www.heforshe.org/en</a>

#### #MeToo

In 2006, Tarana Burke created the 'me too' movement to help survivors of sexual violence, especially young women of color from poor communities, to heal. The goal of the movement has always been to help survivors and to build a strong community of supporters. In October 2017, the movement gained worldwide attention when the #MeToo hashtag became popular and survivors around the world shared their stories of sexual assault. Despite South Korea being known as a socially conservative society when it comes to feminism, women in the country also participated in the #MeToo movement. <a href="https://metoomvmt.org">https://metoomvmt.org</a>

#### #MahsaAmini

People began protesting after Mahsa Amini, a 22-year-old Kurdish woman, died while in police custody in Sep 2022 in Iran. She was arrested by the morality police for supposedly wearing her headscarf in a way they didn't approve of. Iranians often use Twitter to share their opinions with the world, and the hashtag #mahsaamini was used over 250 million times in Persian and 50 million times in English during the month after her death.Women need to be freed from oppressive regimes that use religion as a tool to oppress them. Women, Life, Freedom.

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