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GAD Activity Report 8

2024 Observance of the 18-day Campaign to End Violence Against Women (VAW) Activity: Women’s Mental Health Seminar (December 4, 2024) and Hanging of End VAW streamers at PNRI gates (November 25 – December 12, 2024)

Violence Against Women (VAW) is a pervasive social problem not just in the Philippines but worldwide, affecting an estimated 1 in 3 women. The 2022 National Demographic and Health Survey (NDHS) released by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) reveals that nearly 1 out of 5 women have experienced emotional, physical, or sexual violence by their current or most recent husband or intimate partner. In 2023 alone, 8,055 cases classified under the Republic Act No. 9262 (Anti-Violence Against Women and their Children Act of 2004) were reported to the Philippine National Police (PNP) (PCW, 2024).

Despite significant progress made through the years, much remains to be done as the journey toward equality is long and challenging. According to the Global Gender Gap 2024 Insight Report by the World Economic Forum (WEF), it will take 134 years to achieve full gender parity. This staggering number translates to five generations beyond the 2030 Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 5 target of achieving gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls (PCW, 2024).

With the goal to be a VAW-free country, the Philippines – being the most gender equal country in Asia and ranking 25th out of 146 economies in this year’s Global Gender Gap Index – has been working tirelessly to make gender equality a lived reality. United efforts are highly needed to address, prevent, and eventually stop VAW worldwide (PCW, 2024). To support this campaign, PNRI conducted Women’s Mental Health Seminar which was attended by both women and men of the institute to discuss about the significance of mental health, mindfulness and adaptation to the surrounding social environment. A total of 60 attendees have participated in the seminar.

Photo Documentation

Gate A (Hanging of campaign streamers)



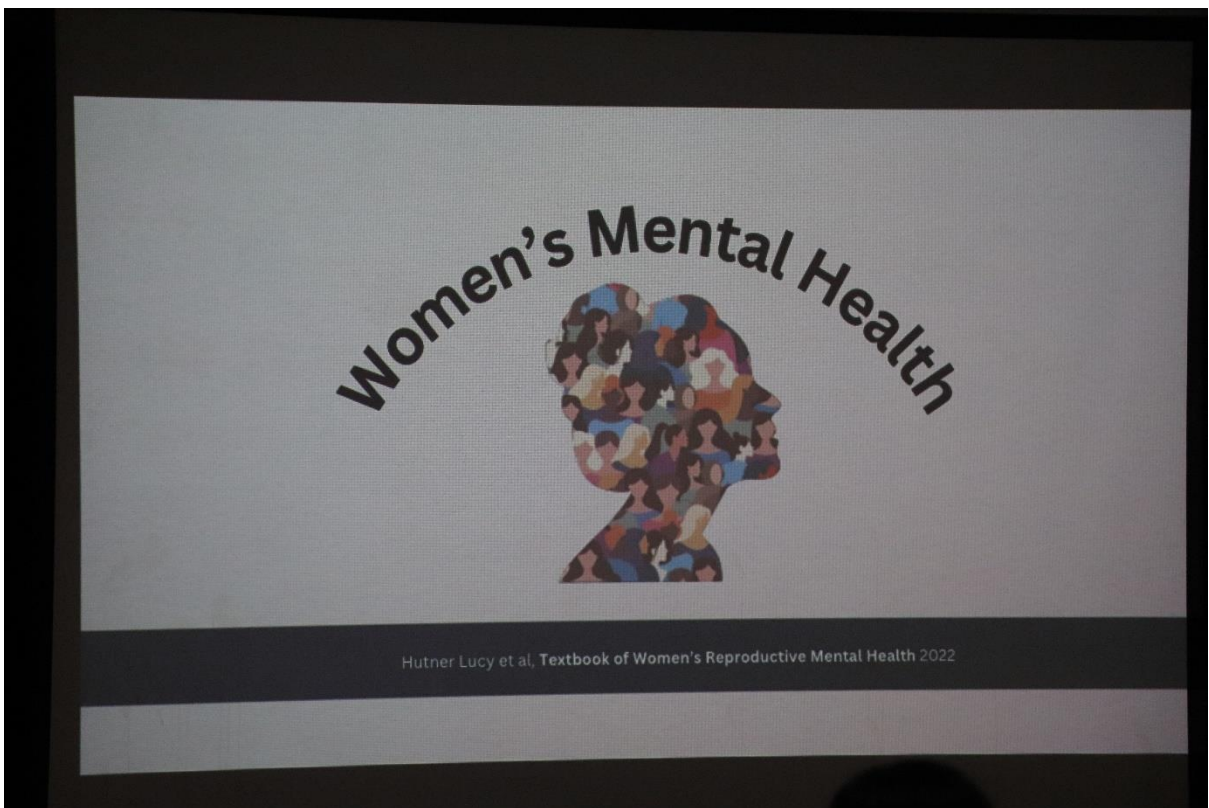
Gate B



Women's Mental Health Seminar









The gender statistics of the seminar is shown in the table below.

Gender	Number
Female	43
Male	17
Total attendees	60

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