

C. Case Studies: Gender Violence Time: 20 Minutes

Purpose: To exemplify various types of violence between males and females

Materials: None

Instructions: Facilitator reads the case studies and engages the class in discussion.

Case Study 1. Chande is in her last year at school and is not sure what she will do after she finishes. For now, she likes to hang out with her friends at the tavern. One night, although she had a fever, she decided to go out anyway. After an hour, she was feeling very weak and approached Panji, a friend from school, for help. She said "Panji I am not feeling well, I think I have a fever and I need to go home." Panji said "Come with me, I'll take care of you" as he grabbed her arm and took her behind the tavern and started kissing her. Chande was scared and did not expect this behaviour from her classmate. She looked him in the eye and said "no, stop, I want to go home. Leave me alone," but he would not stop. She was too weak to fight him off. Before she knew it, he was trying to have intercourse with her. Chande screamed but the music was too loud and no one heard.

FACILITATOR ASKS:

- a. How would you describe Panji's actions and behaviour?
- b. How would you describe Chande's actions and behaviour?
- c. Is Panji acting like a real man?
- d. How will the relationship between them change after this incident?
- e. What should Chande do now?

Learning Point

Panji took advantage of Chande's illness. By having sex with her without her consent, he has committed rape. He has betrayed her friendship and has not acted like a real man. Any time sex is forced-whether it is oral sex or intercourse, it is rape. The rapist can be charged and prosecuted. People always have the right to refuse sexual contact regardless of the nature of their relationship.