

# 2022 IMPACT-AT-A-GLANCE

*Girls Not Brides: The Global Partnership to End Child Marriage* is a civil society partnership of more than 1,600 member organisations in over 100 countries committed to working together to end child marriage. Our vision is a world without child marriage, where girls have equal status to boys, and can exercise their rights and reach their full potential.

In 2022, *Girls Not Brides* began implementing our ambitious new Secretariat Strategy 2022-2025 to accelerate change to end child marriage. This strategy seeks to deliver long-term systems change that is needed to address the underlying drivers of child marriage and gender inequality. Below is a summary of our impact in 2022, organised around the four pillars of our new strategy.

## 1 MOVEMENT-BUILDING: Leverage the collective power of the global Partnership of member organisations, National and State Partnerships and coalitions for accelerated action to end child marriage.

We are the largest partnership working together to end child marriage around the globe. In 2022, we consolidated our collective engagement, experience and diversity, which positions the movement more strongly to deliver change.

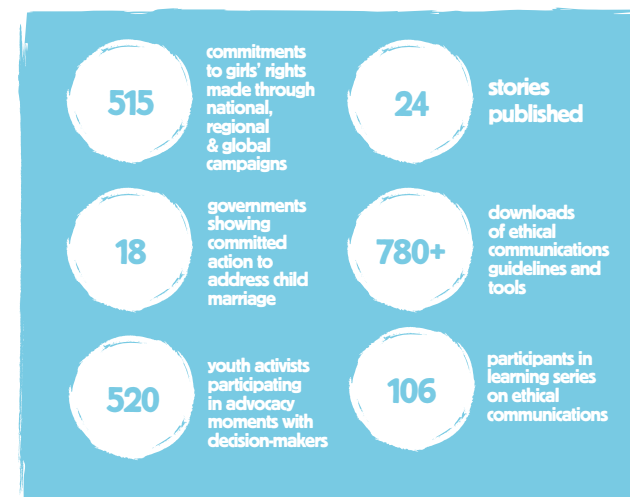
- *Girls Not Brides Uganda* and the Coalition of Civil Society to End Child Marriage in Nigeria have brought **youth and women's voices** into developing **national strategies to end child marriage**.
- With the Uttar Pradesh coalition, India, **2,100 adolescent girls** trained and showed greater leadership, negotiation and implementation skills, **acting together to transform gendered norms** with **13,224 community members and decision-makers**.
- First-ever National Partnership in Latin America and the Caribbean launched in Guatemala with La Mesa a Favor de las Niñas y Adolescentes (La Mesa), bringing the issue into the human rights work of **21 organisations and four activists** in a region where progress has remained stagnant.



## 2 INFLUENCING: Galvanise the wider global end child marriage movement to drive change nationally, regionally and globally.

We responsibly amplified girls' and member organisations voices and **collectively pushed for decision-makers to take action**. We supported them to directly and collectively advocate with decision-makers at every level to **drive change**.

- **125 governments co-sponsored a new UN Resolution on Child, Early and Forced Marriage** governments co-sponsored a new UN Resolution on Child, Early and Forced Marriage and can now be held to account for their commitments. Our technical input contributed to a greater focus on multiple and intersecting risk factors, and progressive language on girls' sexual and reproductive rights, education and autonomy.
- **95 organisations and 2,500 young people** collectively advocated to the Government of India, **stopping changes to the minimum age of marriage**.
- Member organisations and adolescent girls in Latin America and the Caribbean informed a brief on care and child marriage, leading to **evidence-based joint advocacy** and inclusion in the Buenos Aires Commitment.



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### LEARNING: Leverage knowledge, learning and evidence to address child marriage across the movement.

We facilitated diversified and shared learning, research uptake and evidence-based collective action. We brought together diverse stakeholders – practitioners, researchers, policymakers, donors – to build global understanding, and promote contextualised, evidence-based collective action and advocacy.

- Convening in India brought 40 grassroots practitioners from 7 states to share learning and **increase commitment to engaging with ever-married girls**, a large and often overlooked group.
- East Africa Learning Summit brought National Partnerships and coalitions from Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda together with other stakeholders to track progress, strengthen joint advocacy and evidence-generation skills, and **agree collective country work plans**.
- The Child Marriage Research to Action Network's (CRANK) quarterly research meetings, global convening and tailor-made research and communications materials contributed to a more coordinated and equitable global research agenda, and **promoted uptake of research and evidence for accelerated action**.



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### SECRETARIAT AT THE SERVICE OF THE GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP: Continue to develop as a sustainable and values-based organisation at the service of the global partnership.

We responded to the evolving needs of the Partnership, with increased presence in priority locations. We promoted investment in grassroots organisations and their networks working at the national and sub-national level.

- Commitment to **shifting resources and power**, building our team from the bottom up and ensuring team members are located closer to member organisations.
- Strengthened processes for making **financial investments** in Girls Not Brides National Partnerships and coalitions and deepened technical support for them to drive change in their countries and communities.
- All secretariat team **trained** and main-streaming safeguarding principles throughout their work, and **16 member organisations** accessed tailored safeguarding reviews and training to protect the rights of children and at-risk adults.

