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OUR INITIATIVES FOR AFGHAN WOMEN AFTER AUGUST 15TH, 2021



March

**Happy International Women's
Day - 8th March**

A man in a light-colored shirt is speaking at a podium with a microphone. Behind him, a large audience of people, including many women wearing headscarves, is seated and listening. The scene is set in a well-lit room, possibly a conference or seminar.

Since the fall of Kabul on August 15th, the situation for women in Afghanistan has become very challenging with the imposition of different restrictions and limitations that deny them access to their fundamental rights, including the right to go to work, the right to education, the right to travel, the right to speak for herself, and the right to have freedom.

However, despite these difficulties, the Afghanistan Economic and Legal Studies Organization (AELSO) has successfully executed various programs and initiatives, including seminars, conferences, the “Women’s Leadership Academy,” radio programs, published books, distributed CDs, stickers, and brochures to support Afghan women and promote the values of a free society in the country.

“I’m thrilled that beside all the restrictions for Afghan women, the AELSO team is still committed to present such excellent programs and initiatives in order to support Afghan females on their path to freedom and prosperity. What AELSO is doing today for Afghan girls is something that no one should forget it for ever. I congratulate to all those Afghan brave women the “International Women’s Day” and may we celebrate it next year with more freedom and opportunities for our all-fellow sisters.”

M. Khalid Ramizy, Senior Fellow of AELSO

In below you can read about some of our achievements and initiatives for Afghan women:

Conferences:

After August 15, the Afghanistan Economic and Legal Studies Organization (AELSO) conducted two biggest conferences under the titles of “National Tolerance Conference” and “Youth and Development Conference,” with a significant focus on female participation. In these conferences, AELSO, with a remarkable 53% female participation rate, provided a platform for women to express, exchange, and share ideas with youth from across the country.

In these conferences, participants learned about the basics of tolerance, mutual acceptance, pluralism, market economy, entrepreneurship, economic development and fighting against radicalism in the country.

Hazharul Haq Shamsi, participant from Parwan province: “Conducting a national conference on tolerance in the current situation is very importance because with the gathering of youths from all over the country, the opportunity to get acquainted with different cultures, thoughts and ideas between each other. As representative of Parwan province I will share the experiences and what I learned from this useful and scientific conference for the youth of Parwan province and especially the students of the educational institutions of my province, accurately and correctly. I am very happy for participating in such a conference after a long break due to the last political change in the country. I sincerely thank the organizers and supporters of this program for carrying out such practical activities for a prosperous Afghanistan.”





Seminars:

The Afghanistan Economic and Legal Studies Organization (AELSO) has successfully conducted a series of seminars under the title “Freedom and Economics” in 7 provinces of Afghanistan, namely Kabul, Badakhshan, Takhar, Bamyan, Ghazni, Balkh, and Herat, with 500+ female participants.

In these series of seminars, participants learned about the fundamental principles of a free society and the basics of freedom, market economy, economic development, entrepreneurship, and the challenges and opportunities of entrepreneurship in the Afghan labour market.

Through taking these seminars, participants were amazed by the potential that a free society could bring to Afghanistan, expressed how the seminars changed their point of view about the values of a free society in the country and shared their inspiration for implementing the learned lessons in their own respective provinces.

Zainab Tareq, participant of Freedom & Economics Seminar in Badakhshan province, said:

“In my province, the word “Freedom” was considered as an idea that is directly in opposition of the Islamic values. This was because of lack of information and growing extreme groups in Badakhshan province. Before participating in such seminars and listening from academic personalities and religious scholars about values of freedom and its accordance with the teachings of Islam, I also had the same opinion but after being in these academic sessions, I was inspired of studying more about the matter and serve for inspiring other youths who are in similar believe that I was.”





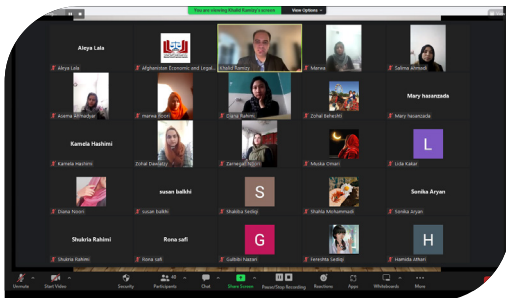
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WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Women's Leadership Academy (WLA)

Considering the difficult situation for women, AELSO designed a women's specialized initiative under the title of "Women's Leadership Academy," an educational program that until now has supported more than 110 women from 34 provinces in Afghanistan to join with our team and learn new ideas. Through this initiative, these young Afghan females learned about basic topics such as: leadership skills, academic essay writing skills, women's rights from the perspective of Islam, women's role in family and society, as well as democracy, peace, liberty, tolerance, fighting against radicalism, and other values of a free society. The programs of this academy are running by a number of well-known trainers and scholars.

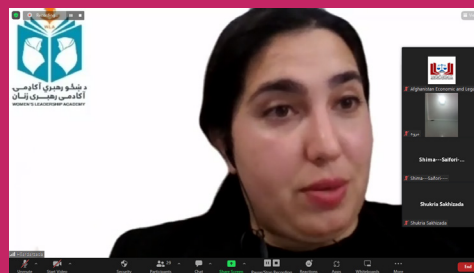
These females became member of AELSO and also, they have our full support to continue their activities for implementing the learned lessons in their communities.

Until now they are working under our direct mentorship and support on a various projects and initiatives for themselves and other Afghan women.



Lida Kakar, an alumni of “Women Leadership Academy” from Balkh province:

“I had a different interpretation from women’s right and values of freedom which was a negative image in fact. But by participating in this academy and listening to the trainers presented here as well as the opportunity to ask questions & having open discussions that I was part of, my all doubts are already cleared and this academy really changed my perspective toward human rights, women rights and freedom as well as values of free society.”





Radio Programs:

Since August 15, Silk Road Radio Station, which is the broadcasting department of AELSO, has produced more than 300 radio programs for educating women from 34 provinces of the country about ideas of peace, freedom, human rights, women's rights, tolerance, pluralism, eradicating extremism, market economy, entrepreneurship, and the perspective of Islam regarding women's rights and the role of women in the development process of a country.

These programs, which are broadcasting in the national languages of Dari and Pashto as well as English, are widely popular with over 452,350 listeners from across the world and are running by different speakers, from university professors to human and women's rights activists and experts to well-known religious scholars, with the main goal of bringing the values of human and women's rights and their compatibility with the teachings of the holy religion of Islam to the remote areas of the country.



Sarah Farjam, presenter of “Silent Half” women’s specialized radio program and program manager of AELSO:



“In the remote areas of Afghanistan where people have less access to television or social media platforms, radio plays the most effective role in transferring important news and information, especially raising awareness of women about their own basic rights from different perspectives. As radio presenter of “Silent Half” women’s specialized radio program, I am very delighted to play my role for empowering Afghan women and raising their awareness about their own rights and committed to continue my activities in this current difficult situation.”



Online Webinars:

زندگی و انگیزه
Life & Motivation

” بررسی و تحلیل مسایل حقوق بشری، آموزشی و روانی جوانان و زنان افغانستان.
PROFOUND STUDY AND ANALYSIS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, EDUCATIONAL & PSYCHOLOGICAL ISSUES OF AFGHAN YOUTHS AND WOMEN.
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خشونت های اجتماعی در برابر زنان | SOCIAL VIOLENCES AGAINST WOMEN



میترا مهران
Metra Mehran
فعال حقوق زنان
Women's Rights Activist



منیژه رامیزی
Manizha Ramizy



EVERY MONDAY | 07:00PM AFGH *



Considering the difficult and critical situation of the country after the collapse, we organized different virtual initiatives, namely, Tea & Liberty, Irfan & Liberty, Life & Motivation, and Human Values Discourse events, with the presence of 3500+ female participants from the country and around the world.

In these series of events, participants learned from the useful materials and the speeches of experts and speakers about promoting ideas of individual freedom, the market economy, human rights, freedom of speech, tolerance, pluralism, fighting against radicalism, and other values of a free society, as well as the compatibility of these values with the teachings of the holy religion of Islam in the current situation of the country.

The basic aim of these online webinars was to motivate youth and women to continue their activities despite any conditions and help them navigate the difficult situation in Afghanistan.

Sayed Mustafa Saiedy, organizer of Irfan & Liberty online webinars and former Chairman of AELSO:

“The Afghanistan Economic and Legal Studies Organization (AELSO) has played a very important role in educating youths and making them aware of democracy, liberty, individual freedom and other values of free society by conducting series of different useful programs. As a member of Afghan academic community and former chairman of AELSO, I strongly appreciate all these efforts and services. Fortunately, we have proved once again to the youth and Afghan community that our commitment for enlightening youth is not only based in peaceful conditions but also in difficult circumstance. We are also working to continue our activities more initiative and practical in various ways. Stopping our activities means that we have to accept the ideology of such a brutal group like Taliban.”

IRFAN & LIBERTY

TEA & LIBERTY

HUMAN VALUES DISCOURSE

LIFE & MOTIVATION

TEA & LIBERTY



Books:



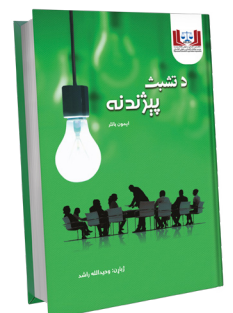
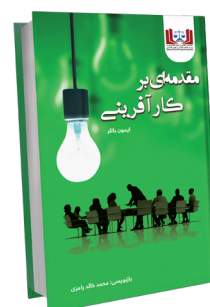
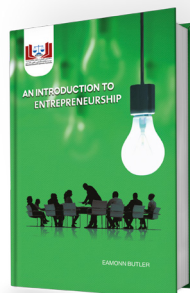
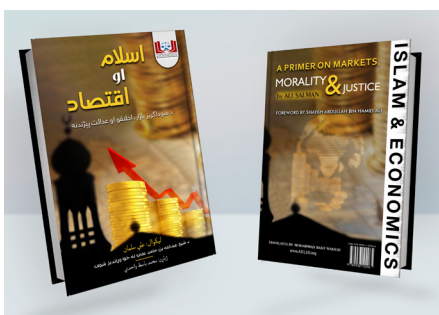
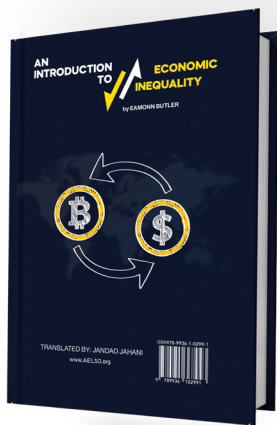
Since August 15, the Afghanistan Economic and Legal Studies Organization (AELSO) has published 10 books that have been downloaded over 2300 times by women from AELSO’s website, and over 1300 hard copies have been donated to libraries run by women and female participants in various programs.

These books, which are written and translated in Dari, Pashto, and English, cover different topics such as human rights, women’s rights, entrepreneurship, the perspective of Islam on economics and liberty, and the ideas of youth about different issues related to the development process of Afghanistan.

Through providing both electronic and hard copy versions of the books, AELSO aims to ensure that the information is accessible to as many people as possible, especially women who are facing barriers to accessing first-hand information and basic education.

Mohammad Basit Wahidi, translator of the “Islam & Economics” book into Pashto language shared his idea about the content of mentioned book and said:

“ I am very thankful from the Afghanistan Economic and Legal Studies Organization (AELSO) for entrusting me with the responsibility of translating this valuable piece. This academic book can be used as valid source for educational system of the country. This book will particularly help youth to enhance their information about; capacity building, market economy, and learning about the principles of labour market in Afghanistan.”





Stickers and brochures:



During the last year, AELSO produced and distributed more than 10,000 stickers and brochures, only to females, that carried the ideas of peace, freedom, liberty, tolerance, pluralism, fighting against radicalism, and other values of a free society, as well as the compatibility of these values with the teachings of the holy religion of Islam.



These stickers and brochures were distributed through various programs organized by AELSO in different parts of Afghanistan.

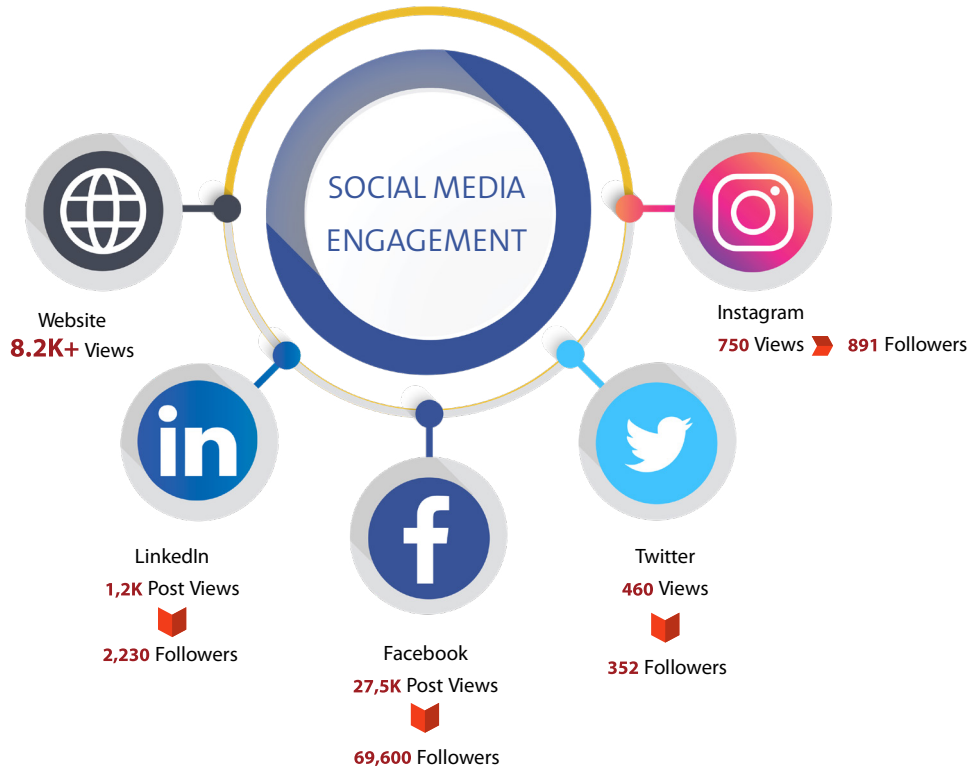
CD Distribution:

During last year, AELSO has distributed more than 6,000 CDs in Afghanistan, and 2800 CDs only for female participants in universities and educational institutions, that carry the messages and ideas of peace, freedom, liberty, tolerance, pluralism, and fighting against radicalism in the country.



Social media engagement

The table below shows an overview of the engagement of the Afghanistan Economic and Legal Studies Organization (AELSO) with female participants and the numbers that AELSO has been able to reach since the collapse of Afghanistan.



Membership

Since the collapse of Afghanistan on the hand of Taliban, we received more than 960 applicants from Afghan females from all over the country and we were able to grant the membership of AELSO for 861 of them and currently they are working and donating their time and knowledge for better implementation of our projects.

On one hand they will learn new tasks and activities and on the other hand they found an opportunity to share and work for their ideas through our supports.



Campaign for the Girls Right to Education

We launched a nationwide campaign for girls' rights to education and more than 1000 individuals which 60% of them were Afghan females joined to this campaign and raised their voice for the world.

Despite all the challenges faced by the AELSO team, their commitment to conducting programs for youth and especially women in Afghanistan remains unwavering. The team understands the importance of empowering women and providing them with opportunities to excel in various fields. On the occasion of "International Women's Day," AELSO congratulates all the women out there who have made a difference, big or small, in the lives of those around them and provides full support for Afghan women to reach their full potential and have access to their fundamental rights.



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دانشجوی دکتری تخصصی جغرافیای اقتصادی و توسعه باصان
ولایت: باصان

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دنده: پوهنتون استاد
ولایت: کابل

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OUR ACHIEVEMENTS FOR AFGHAN'S WOMEN AFTER, AUGUST 15th, 2021

دستاورد های ما برای زنان افغان بعد از ۱۵ آگوست ۲۰۲۱

SEMINARS



1.1K+
Females Participants

CONFERENCES



1.2K+
Females Participants

RADIO PROGRAMS



300 Radio Programs
452.3k Listeners

WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY



110+
Females Members

ONLINE WEBINARS



3.5K+
Participants

PUBLISHED BOOKS



1.3K
Hard Copies Distributed to Female
Participants During Programs

CDs

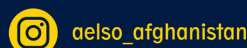


6K
Distributed

STICKERS & BROCHURES



10K+
Distributed





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