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## **CASE VIGNETTE**

**Violence Against Women: Multi-Generational  
Implications and Lifetime Trauma**

- Sudha, a 38-year-old, working as a domestic help, has been married for almost 15 years, to Arun (41 years), a security guard.
- They live with Arun's parents and have two children, a daughter (13 years) and a son (10 years).
- Arun grew up in extreme poverty and witnessed his father being emotionally and physically abusive towards his mother. Father was a very authoritative figure.
- Arun and his siblings grew up in an unprotected environment.

- After marriage, Arun was absent as a father and would not help with child-care.
- He made no effort with household chores, he would consume alcohol even at home, after returning home from work would scold Sudha over minor issues- like not cooking properly, many a times would hit her under alcohol intoxication.

- Arun would scold Sudha during her both pregnancies. He did not help her in any hospital visits during pregnancy.
- The son started getting into physical fights with his classmates and regularly returned with bruises.
- The daughter, despite being a bright student in the beginning, started scoring poorly in exams and isolated herself from her peers. Her teacher also reported of her having frequent crying spells at school, without reason.

## **BREAKOUT ROOM 1**

1. What are the different forms of violence discussed in the case?
2. Explain the traumas present in the case.

## **BREAKOUT ROOM 2**

1. Discuss the multigenerational implications of the violence in this case.

## BREAKOUT ROOM 3

1. If Sudha came to you in the OSC, in what ways will you apply the feminist principles in supporting her?