

Group photo show for gender equality

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Visitors at the exhibition. — Snigdha Zaman

A five-day photography exhibition titled 'My Life, My Rights' featuring photographs on gender-based violence or discrimination is going on at Drik Gallery in Dhanmondi in the capital.

The exhibition, organised by Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust (BLAST) and James P Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH), BRAC University, aims to raise public awareness regarding every individual's freedom to make decisions about their lives and gender equality.

The exhibition is showcasing 24 photographs and a photo story by 23 photographers.

The thought provoking photographs aims to raise awareness on issues regarding the right to personal liberty, freedom of expression, as well as gender-based violence or discrimination and other issues.

Photographer Juthika Dewry's photo story titled 'Ekjon Nayantara' is on display at the show. The photo story depicts the mundane life a Hindu woman, who has been forced to live as a widow after her husband's death.

Photographer GR Fahad Uddin's displayed photograph titled 'Motherhood Came Too early' shows a young Chakma woman carrying a child in her arms. The young woman was married off at an early age and is now mother of two children.

Most of the displayed photographs at the exhibition address gender-based violence or discrimination in the society.

However, a few displayed photographs celebrate human relationships and family values. One of such displayed photograph titled 'I am growing with my doll' by Jotirmoy Dev shows a young girl playing with and taking care of her younger brother.

The exhibition, which began on Thursday, will remain open for all every day from 3pm to 8 pm till November 27.