

# TECHNOLOGY-FACILITATED GBV

## WHAT IS TECHNOLOGY-FACILITATED GBV?

In the digital age, technology is increasingly weaponized based on gender, leading to **Technology-Facilitated Gender-Based Violence (GBV)**. It invades homes, phones, workplaces, even leading to femicide. This digital violence uses technology to harm individuals, exploiting both existing and emerging technologies.



## TYPES OF TECHNOLOGY-FACILITATED GBV:

<b>Sextortion</b>	Blackmail with intimate info, photos, or videos.
<b>Image-Based Abuse</b>	Sharing Internet photos without consent.
<b>Doxxing</b>	Publishing private, personal info.
<b>Cyberbullying</b>	Online harassment and bullying.
<b>Gender &amp; Sexual Harrassment</b>	Targeting based on gender identity.
<b>Cyberstalking</b>	Persistent online stalking.
<b>Online Grooming for Sexual Assault</b>	Luring victims for sexual exploitation.
<b>Hacking</b>	Unauthorized access to personal data.
<b>Hate Speech</b>	Promoting discrimination and violence online.
<b>Online Impersonation</b>	Pretending to be someone else to cause harm.
<b>Locating Abuse Survivors</b>	Using technology to find and harass or monitor survivors.

## 4 KEY ASPECTS OF PERPETRATORS:

### MOTIVATIONS

- Jealousy
- Revenge
- Political Agenda
- Ideological Agenda
- Sexual Exploitation
- Gain monetary benefit/Financial exploitation
- Maintain Social Status

### INTENT

- Cause psychological and/or physical harm.
- To enforce societal norms.
- To gain/maintain power and control over someone

### BEHAVIOURS

- Bullying
- Stalking
- Defamation
- Hate Speech
- Sexual Harassment
- Exploitation

### MODES & TACTICS

- Social networking sites
- Dating sites
- Entertainment sites
- Personal online accounts
- Gender-trolling
- Threatening
- Hacking
- Using fake accounts
- Doxxing
- Image-based abuse

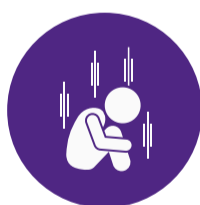
## IMPACT ON VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS:



Physical



Psychological



Social



Economic



Functional

## HELP-SEEKING & COPING STRATEGIES:

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**Reporting:** Reporting incidents of online GBV is a crucial step toward seeking justice and protection.

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**Support Services:** Seek assistance from dedicated support services that specialize in addressing the unique challenges posed by Technology-Facilitated GBV.

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**Changing Technology Use:** Consider altering your technology usage patterns and increasing online safety measures to reduce vulnerability.

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**Avoidance:** In some cases, avoiding certain online spaces or individuals may be necessary for personal safety.



If you or someone you know is facing Technology-Facilitated GBV, support can be found through the following resources:

- Neighbours, Friends and Families: <https://www.neighboursfriendsandfamilies.ca/i-need-help/index.html>
- Tech Safety Canada: <https://www.techsafetycanada.ca>