



About YGSI

Yayasan Gemilang Sehat Indonesia (YGSI) is a leading independent non-profit advancing Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) and preventing Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) among Indonesian young people. Established in late December 2023, following its last transition from Rutgers Indonesia, YGSI brings over **25 years of experience**, driven by a vision of an empowered generation of young people respected for their rights and equality. YGSI works through four key pillars—**grant management, program implementation, research, and advocacy**—to deliver sustainable, inclusive, and youth-centered impact at scale.

From 2021 to 2025, **YGSI has spearheaded three flagship programmes—Power to You(th), Right Here Right Now 2, and Generation Gender**—that empower young people aged 12–35 across various provinces in Indonesia to address child marriage, unintended pregnancy, and SGBV. Globally, **YGSI collaborates with RNW, ARROW, CHOICE, Sonke Gender Justice, KIT Royal Tropical Institute, Equipundo, RWAMREC, ABAAD, and Amref Health Africa** to strengthen

“ With a strong track record of advancing systemic change through transformative, youth-centered programs that protect the rights, dignity, and safety of Indonesia’s next generation, YGSI stands as a trusted and powerful partner for those looking to invest in proven and impactful initiatives that create lasting impact. ”

networks and enhance the effectiveness of program implementation.

Before its rebranding, from 2016 to 2021, Rutgers Indonesia,—then known as YGSI—implemented a wide range of impactful initiatives, including MFS I, UFBR, MenCare, Yes I Do, Prevention+ (P+), Dance4Life (D4L), GEAS, and Get Up Speak Out (GUSO) programs.

Having been funded by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) through Rutgers Netherlands and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) over the years, YGSI has developed **strong capacity in transparent, accountable,** and professional grant management, ensuring effective program delivery and measurable impact.

YGSI applies the **Gender Transformative Approach (GTA)** to address the root cause of gender inequality by challenging harmful norms, promoting equitable relationships, and shifting power dynamics. This approach is embedded across interventions, — from inclusive education and intergenerational dialogues to advocacy with policymakers. Central to YGSI's work is the **Meaningful Involvement of Youth Participation (MIYP)**.

Young people, including from the marginalized groups, are empowered as co-creators and leaders of programs that reflect their realities. This dual commitment to GTA and MIYP enables YGSI to create youth-centered, inclusive, and



transformative programs that don't just respond to problems, but reimagine the structures that create them.

Key Achievements

YGSI's impact is reflected in its measurable successes across Indonesia, where evidence-based programmes and strategic advocacy have empowered young people, transformed communities, and influenced policy. The following highlights showcase YGSI's commitment to advancing SRHR and SGBV prevention through inclusive, culturally relevant, and sustainable approaches:

- Reached **237,631 beneficiaries** and actively engaged **178,919 young people** as agents of change across Indonesia.
- Operates in **14 provinces**, including North Sumatra, Jambi, Lampung, West Java, Banten, DKI Jakarta, Central Java, DI Yogyakarta, East Java, Bali, West Nusa Tenggara, East Kalimantan, Central Sulawesi and Papua.
- Implemented CSE in **751 schools** under the Ministry of Education and **30 Islamic boarding schools and Islamic junior high school** under the Ministry of Religious Affairs.
- Trained **2,558 teachers** and educated **125,405 students** through CSE, empowering peer champions.
- Educated **1,809 parents** to strengthen supportive environments for sustainable youth impact.
- Supported **9 special schools (SLB)**, reaching **30 lecturers, 164 students, and 73 children with special needs**, partnering with Universitas Pendidikan Indonesia (UPI) to enhance CSE for children and people with disabilities.
- Partnered with a total of **41 civil society organizations**, enabling locally grounded and inclusive programs.

Driving Policy into Practice: YGSI's Grassroot Implementation of the Anti-Sexual Violence Law (UU TPKS)

At the advocacy level, YGSI has played a pivotal role in shaping **13 national policies** and **128 local regulations**—advancing SRHR, protecting youth rights, integrating CSE, and preventing SGBV.

At the **grassroots**, YGSI brings these policies to life through targeted interventions. In schools, YGSI supports the implementation of **Ministry of Education Regulation No. 46/2023** by promoting CSE integration into school curricula using the SETARA module, in collaboration with local education offices. Through teacher training and regional advocacy, CSE is embedded systematically, not treated as an optional add-on. In Garut and Indramayu, this has led to official policies reaching over 300 schools through education office circulars.

In **higher education and faith-based institutions**, YGSI works with RAHIMA and the Young Women Ulama Network (Ulama Perempuan Muda/UPM) to develop **SOPs for preventing and responding to sexual violence**, grounded in **Regulation No. 46/2023** and **Religious Affairs Ministerial Regulation No. 73/2022**. These SOPs are now adopted by over **20 universities and pesantren** across Jakarta, Bandung, Indramayu, Cirebon, and Palu, involving more than **150 students, faculty, and administrators**.

In **rural areas**, YGSI strengthens community-based services aligned with **local regulations and Child-Friendly Village Bylaws**, in accordance with the **Ministry of Women's Empowerment Regulation No. 13/2011**. Youth-led groups like CIKAL in Langkat, Community Service Centers (PLK) in Indramayu, Village Children's Forums (FAD) in Lombok, and Youth Reproductive Health Forums (FKRD) in Lombok and Garut actively lead peer education and policy advocacy. By mid-2024, at least **12 villages** have established Adolescent Reproductive Health Information and Counseling Centers (PIK-KRR), reinforcing localized violence prevention systems.

These efforts—rooted in data, cultural context, and community ownership—have not only established YGSI as a trusted driver of policy transformation but also sparked meaningful changes in norms and practices at the local level.



Strategic Partnerships

YGSI's success in delivering impactful programs between 2021 and 2025 is strongly rooted in strategic partnerships with key government institutions and local organizations.

At the **National level**:

- Collaborates with the **Ministry of Education, Culture, Research, and Technology** to integrate CSE into formal and informal curricula.
- Co-developed an Islamic values-based CSE curriculum integrating elements of Fiqh and relevant Surahs, with the **Ministry of Religious Affairs** for Islamic boarding school (Pesantren) and Islamic junior high school (MTsN).
- Partners with the **Ministry of Women's Empowerment and Child Protection** to promote protection against sexual violence.
- Works with the **Ministry of Population and Family Development/National Population and Family Planning Board** to develop CSE for parents and out-of-school youth modules, expanding access nationwide.

At the **Local level**:

- Active collaboration with **local governments at district and village levels** which allows YGSI to expand impact and ensure sustainability of interventions.
- Collaborates a wide-range network that includes **civil society groups, youth-led organizations, religious leaders, traditional authorities, and community influencers**. This includes the **Young Female Ulama (UPM)**.
- YGSI current key-partners includes **Yayasan Semak, Tanoker, SuaR Indonesia, 2030 Youth Force Indonesia, Red Cross Indonesia (PMI), Aliansi Sumatera Bersatu (ASB), Sanggar Swara, YIFOS, Women Crisis Center (WCC), PETRASU, SAPA Institute and the National Commission on Disabilities, LBH APIK Jakarta, LBH APIK Sulteng, Indonesian Women Coalition (KPI) and RAHIMA**.





Potential Collaboration

YGSI recognizes that addressing complex issues related to SRHR and SGBV requires multi-sectoral partnerships and strategic collaboration. Building on its strong foundation and community-driven approach, YGSI is actively seeking partnerships that will amplify its impact and ensure the sustainability of interventions. Below are key areas where potential collaboration can be developed:

Collaborations to Advance Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights (SRHR)

- **Youth-Led Organizations and Networks:** Partnering with youth-led groups to empower young people as agents of change in advocating for SRHR. This may include capacity-building workshops, peer education programs, and digital campaigns to increase awareness and acceptance of SRHR among adolescents and young adults.
- **Local Government Partnerships:** Working closely with district and village governments to integrate SRHR programs into local health and education policies. This includes supporting local governments in implementing youth-friendly health services and ensuring access to comprehensive sexuality education.
- **Educational Institutions:** Collaborating with schools and other learning environments to expand comprehensive, age-appropriate sexuality education that respects cultural contexts while promoting accurate information and healthy attitudes.
- **Research and Evaluation:** Conducting targeted research to promote program development—including curriculum adaptation—and ongoing evaluation to measure impact, support implementation, and enhance program effectiveness.
- **Health and Social Service Providers:** Strengthening linkages between education and accessible, youth-friendly health services, ensuring young people have timely access to quality reproductive health care and support.
- **Media and Communication Partners:** Engaging with local media, influencers, and digital platforms to disseminate targeted messages that challenge myths, reduce stigma, and foster positive social norms around SRHR.
- **Inclusive Alliances:** Ensuring that SRHR initiatives are inclusive of marginalized and vulnerable groups by collaborating with organizations advocating for the rights of minorities, persons with disabilities, and other underserved populations.

Collaborations to Prevent and Respond to Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV)

- **Government Stakeholders:** Partnering with local authorities to strengthen prevention mechanisms, improve response protocols, and ensure survivors' access to justice and support services at district and village levels.
- **Religious and Community Leaders:** Working with progressive religious figures, including young female ulama, to promote gender-equitable interpretations and challenge harmful norms that perpetuate violence.
- **Civil Society and Human Rights Organization Networks:** Collaborating in advocacy to influence policy reforms, and capacity building to strengthen community response to SGBV, including mentoring grassroots groups and volunteers to prevent and address cases effectively.
- **Media and Communication Partners:** Engaging with local media, influencers, and digital platforms to increase public understanding of SGBV, its consequences, and the importance of prevention and support.
- **Inclusive Alliances:** Ensuring that prevention of SGBV is inclusive of marginalized and vulnerable groups by collaborating with organizations advocating for the rights of minorities and other underserved populations.



Emerging Issues

In the near term, several urgent priorities must be addressed to ensure the sustainability of both system strengthening and key interventions that have been developed by YGSI over the past five years. These efforts have laid a strong foundation, but without continued investment and commitment, there is a significant risk that progress will stagnate or regress. To maintain momentum and secure long-term impact, the following strategic activities **require immediate attention and resources**:

- Educator Training on Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) for Madrasahs and Islamic Boarding Schools (Pesantren)
- Educator Training on Disability-Inclusive CSE Modules
- Monitoring of CSE Implementation in Schools, Madrasahs, and Pesantren
- Capacity Strengthening for Young People at the Village Level on SRHR and SGBV
- Regular Coordination Meetings for Young People at the Village Level
- Workshops on Developing SOPs and Campus Intervention Frameworks Based on the Sexual Violence Law (UU TPKS) and Ministry of Education Regulation No. 30/2021
- Basic Training for University Taskforce Members on Handling Sexual Violence

These priorities not only aim to sustain existing efforts but are also open to expansion into other regions seeking to replicate or scale up these proven approaches.



Photo Gallery



The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the Power to You(th) Program with the Government of Bondowoso Regency.

A workshop on the implementation of CSE for school supervisors in Jember Regency.



A teacher training on the implementation of CSE in Central Lombok Regency.



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A workshop on child-friendly regional policy in Jember Regency.

A workshop on CSE for children with disabilities for lecturers at UPI Bandung.



A coordination meeting and program progress review with the Government of Jember Regency.



