

Table 4 Women's' experiences of type of violence, their views of triggers to violence and the reasons for not reporting the incidents to the legal authorities

(n = 166)

Variable	No.	%
Type of violence ever experienced		
Verbal threats	166	100.0
Physical harm	142	85.5
Both physical and verbal	59	35.5
Gestures and non-verbal threats	57	34.3
Sexual harassment	25	15.1
Other type	4	2.4
Triggers for violence		
Went out of home without his knowledge	166	100.0
Failed to finish duties he gave me	166	100.0
Accused of neglecting care of children	157	94.6
Accused of not feeding him properly	104	62.7
Raised the issue of divorce	78	47.0
Sexual incompatibility	67	40.4
Suspected of being unfaithful	51	30.7
Raised the issue of family panning	48	28.9
Other reason	18	10.8
Reasons for not reporting violence to legal authorities		
Fear of exposing the issue	114	68.7
Fear of additional violence	90	54.2
Didn't know where to go	38	22.9
Fear of divorce	36	21.7
Cultural tradition to accept it	30	18.1
Other reason	96	57.8