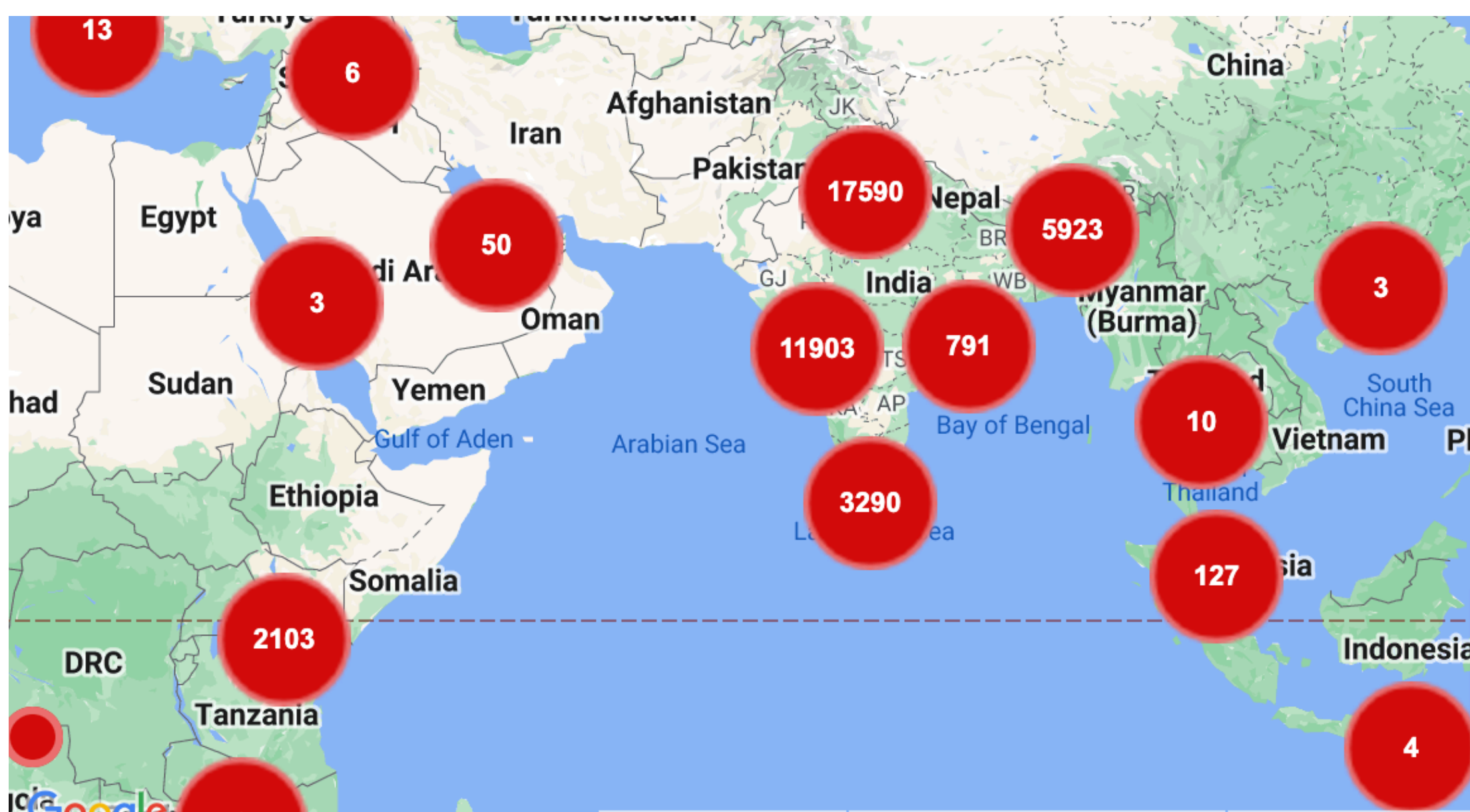


Safecity: Using Citizen Data to Strengthen Legal Responses to Gender-Based Violence



A civic-tech platform that uses anonymous, crowdsourced data to expose patterns of gender-based violence and strengthen legal, policing, and policy responses.



Gender-based violence is underreported due to stigma, fear, and weak trust in institutions. Safecity enables anonymous reporting, aggregates data into actionable insights, and shares it with authorities. This bridges the gap between lived experiences and formal legal systems, making invisible harms visible and actionable.

Safecity complements legal systems by generating evidence where formal complaints are absent. It informs policing, supports preventive action, and shapes policy. Legal actors use the data to identify hotspots, allocate resources, and strengthen enforcement. It shifts law from reactive to preventive through citizen-generated evidence.

Over 130,000 reports across multiple countries have informed police patrols, urban planning, and policy changes. In places like Haryana, data has increased reporting, improved trust in police, and led to targeted interventions. The model strengthens accountability and enables safer public spaces at scale.

Safecity demonstrates that when communities are given safe ways to share their experiences, institutions respond better. It is a replicable model for integrating civic data into governance, with potential to transform how justice systems understand and prevent everyday violence.

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