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Thousands of activists and women's groups world over have struggled with every bit of their beings to put an end to all forms of violence against women and girls. However, the United Nations states that 1 in 3 women on the planet will be beaten or raped during her lifetime. **That is more than one billion women living on the planet today. We REFUSE to stand by as more than a billion women experience violence.**

On February 14th, 2013 Eve Ensler and V-Day have raised a powerful call to One Billion women and their supporters to **WALK OUT, DANCE, RISE UP, and DEMAND** an end to this violence.

To date, the campaign has been initiated in over 160 countries across the world and in 8 countries in South Asia. Sangat and several of its network partners have endorsed the campaign and are coordinating across the region. The One Billion Rising Campaign was launched in Nepal and Bangladesh in October 2012 and is scheduled to be launched in India in several states during the 16 days of activism against gender-based violence starting in November 2012.

ONE BILLION RISING is a promise that we will RISE UP with millions of women and men around the world to say, "ENOUGH! The violence ends NOW."

ONE BILLION RISING is a GLOBAL call to action. We will gather throughout the world.

ONE BILLION RISING is COMMUNAL. We will DANCE together in DEFIANCE of the injustices we and our mothers, sisters, partners, loved ones, and friends have suffered.

ONE BILLION RISING is a CELEBRATION. We will dance in streets, raise our voices, LEAVE our offices, our homes, and our daily routines BEHIND as we join in a POWERFUL act of REFUSAL to let the violence continue.

We invite you to **join ONE BILLION RISING** and make a promise to drop whatever you're doing on **February 14th 2013** and RISE UP AND DANCE to end violence against women and girls -- ONCE AND FOR ALL.

We invite you all to join the campaign and pledge your support.

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