Afghan Women Can Seek Refugee Status Based On Nationality, Gender: EU Top Court

The European Court of Justice (ECJ) ruled Friday that nationality and gender are "sufficient" for an EU country to grant asylum to Afghan women, who have seen their rights stifled under Taliban rule.

Since Taliban authorities seized power in Afghanistan in 2021, they have imposed an austere interpretation of Islam and progressively driven women out of public spaces.

Women have borne the brunt of restrictions that the United Nations has labelled "gender apartheid".

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