ESCAP initiatives on gender data and statistics

Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics (IAEG-GS): 17th Meeting, 28 August 2023, Johannesburg

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CST decision	Proposed programme plan	
2020	2023	2024
The 7th Committee on Statistics in 2020 decided to **advance the mainstreaming of gender** in its work	An increased number of national statistical systems have **enhanced capacity to apply gender considerations in their statistical work**	An increased number of national statistical systems have **mainstreamed gender considerations across their statistical work.**

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Assessing inequalities in birth & death registration

❖ Technical support to implement inequality assessments of CR systems using secondary data sources

❖ Towards achieving universal registration and full inclusion by assessing differences in completeness / coverage by sociodemographic characteristics

❖ Enable analysis of differences in CR by sex and any gender-related barriers to registration for different population subgroups

❖ Examine differentials by sex/ age / ethnicity/ marital status of mothers

❖ Capacity strengthening & refining further guidance/methodology for use by other countries

❖ Completed (Fiji & Lao PDR); In progress (Bangladesh, Samoa); Inception (Philippines)

❖ https://www.unescap.org/projects/inequality-assessments

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Using CRVS-related data and evidence to inform gender-relevant policy outcomes

❖ Support the use of existing data and evidence generated through the inequality assessments or otherwise

❖ Build capacity to interpret, analyze and synthesize existing data/evidence in user-friendly formats

❖ Disseminate findings in a way that is conducive to decision-making needs and gender policy use

❖ Development of dissemination materials: policy briefs, infographics, social media posts on gender-relevant topics

❖ Topics for analysis e.g. Teenage/adolescent motherhood, child marriage, targeting groups for delayed registration

❖ Implementation in 3 countries: Fiji, Bangladesh, Lao PDR (TBC)

❖ https://www.unescap.org/projects/crvs-E2A-for-gender-policy

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Exploring the use of big data to measure the gender-environment nexus

❖ Pilot project completed providing technical support/training to NSOs to explore use of alternative data sources

❖ Based on the proposed set of gender-environment indicators for Asia-Pacific https://shorturl.at/dkmy3

❖ Indicator for Cambodia: Proportion of population with access to electricity, by sex
  ✓ Combined night-time light data and geo-tagged local administrative units with 2019 General Population Census and 2019-20 Cambodia Socio-Economic Survey

❖ Indicator for Mongolia: Proportion of urban population living in slums, informal settlements, or inadequate housing, by sex
  ✓ Combined satellite imageries and object-based image analysis model with 2020 Population and Housing Census, 2019 Housing Types and Condition Census, and 2021 Household Social and Economic Survey

❖ Indicators produced with sex disaggregation with relatively high accuracy, lower cost and shorter time frame

❖ Guidance documents on big data models, incl. recommendations for national strategies on use of big data for official statistics on gender-environment

❖ https://www.unescap.org/projects/big-data-environment-gender.

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Establishing a Gender Data Network (GDN) in Asia and the Pacific

❖ Partnership with PARIS21, Data2X, and Open Data Watch

❖ Building on the insights and successes of the work in Africa

❖ Leveraging on the commitment of the ESCAP Committee on Statistics to advance gender mainstreaming & the statistical training platform provided by SIAP

❖ Facilitate knowledge sharing among members and advance inter-regional engagement and peer learning

❖ Proposed areas of focus:
  ✓ Use of gender data for policy action
  ✓ Data communications and dissemination
  ✓ Inclusive data strategies and national statistical systems
  ✓ Methodological innovation sharing

❖ Advocacy and awareness raising event (May 2023)

❖ Invitation to countries and partners (Aug-Sep 2023)

Asia-Pacific Stats Café Series
Reinvigorating the SDGs through gender and inclusive data: Harnessing the power of networks

Tuesday, May 30
11:30-12:45 pm
(GMT+7)

Join us ONLINE:
bit.ly/GDNStatsCafe

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Peer Support Network for Female Heads of NSOs

❖ Initiated as a closed network of female heads of NSOs in Asia-Pacific

❖ Self-sustaining -- managed by members:
  ✓ Digital space to provide/seek peer support
  ✓ Identify and address gaps in skills and knowledge (technical/managerial) across the group
  ✓ Provide a way to support individuals achieve career goals (potential mentorship programme)

❖ Meet on-line (every two months)

❖ Second meeting in August 2023:
  ✓ Consultation on draft training curriculum on Gender Equality in Statistical Leadership (Co-developed by UN Women and FAO), and to be included as part of the gender statistics training curriculum/e-learning (UN Women/ESCAP SD/SIAP)

Thank you

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