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GENDER RESPONSIVE LOCAL GOVERNANCE*

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THEME: Building Partnerships Towards Gender Responsive Local Governance

Program of Activities

DAY ONE, TUESDAY, 13 MAY 2003

- 8:00A.M.–12:00N ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS
- 12:00N–1:30 P.M. LUNCH BREAK
- 1:30–2:30 P.M. OPENING CEREMONIES
Ecumenical Dedication
Representatives from Christian, Muslim and Indigenous Peoples
The Philippine National Anthem
Welcome Remarks
Ms. AURORA JAVATE-DE DIOS
Chair, National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women
Messages from Partner Development Agencies
Ms. THELMA KAY
*Chief, Gender and Development Section
United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia
and the Pacific (UNESCAP)*
Ms. RICARDA L. RIEGER
*Deputy Resident Representative
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)*
Ms. PENNY MORTON
*First Secretary (Development) and Portfolio Manager for Governance
Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)*
Messages from Local Government Leagues
HON. MARIANT E. VILLEGAS
National President, Lady Local Legislators League

HON. MARYBETH T. DELGADO
*National President, Lady Municipal Mayors Association
of the Philippines*

Introduction of the Keynote Speaker

DR. PROSERPINA DOMINGO TAPALES
*Professor of Public Administration
and Deputy Director University Center for Women's Studies*

Keynote Address

Hon. Jose D. Lina, Jr.
Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government

Moderator: DR. AMELOU BENITEZ-REYES
*Chair, Gender-Responsive Governance Committee National
Commission on the Role of Filipino Women*

Launching of Resource Materials and Tools for Gender-
Responsive Local Governance

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2:30–3:30

COFFEE BREAK

3:30–4:30

PLENARY WOMEN GOVERNANCE AND GENDER
EQUALITY: CONCEPTS, FRAMEWORK,
AND COMMITMENTS

DIR. EMMELINE L. VERZOSA
*Executive Director, National Commission on the Role of Filipino
Women (NCRFW)*

Moderator: HON. MA. ISABELLE G. CLIMACO
Councilor, Zamboanga City

4:30–6:30

WORKSHOPS: STRATEGIES FOR BUILDING GENDER
RESPONSIVE GOVERNANCE

A. Capability Building for Mainstreaming Gender

Chair: HON. BETTY LOURDES TABANDA
Vice Mayor, Baguio City

Facilitators: MS. SYLVIA ORDOÑEZ
Executive Director, Center for Asia-Pacific Women in Politics

MS. MARIVEL C. SACENDONCILLO
*Executive Director, Local Government Academy
Department of the Interior and Local Government*

B. Legislative or Policy Actions

Chair: HON. ROWENA ACOSTA
Councilor, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

Facilitators: PROF. EDERLINDA M. FERNANDEZ
*Concurrent Director, Women's Research and Resource Center
Western Mindanao University*

MS. MA. JESUSA T. PINEDA
President, IMA Foundation

C. Enabling Mechanisms for Gender Mainstreaming

Chair: HON. REMEDIOS MANZANILLA
Board Member, Province of Albay

HON. JOSEFINA M. DE LA CRUZ
Governor, Province of Bulacan

Facilitators: MS. LUZ LOPEZ-RODRIGUEZ
Executive Director, Galing Pook Foundation

MS. MILALIN S. JAVELLANA
*In-Country Manager, AusAID-AYAD Program
Sagric International*

6:30

PRESENTATION: GENDER BALANCE BILL

HON. REPRESENTATIVE LORETTA ANN P. ROSALES
*Chair, Committee on Civil, Political and Human Rights
House of Representatives, Congress of the Philippines*

Moderator: DR. CAROLYN I. SOBRITCHEA
*Director, University Center for Women's Studies
University of the Philippines*

7:30

DINNER

DAY TWO, WEDNESDAY, 14 MAY 2003

8:30–11:00

PLENARY WOMEN WINNING FOR WOMEN: SOME LEARNING EXPERIENCES

HON. REMEDIOS PETILLA
Governor, Province of Leyte

HON. JOSEFINA DELA CRUZ
Governor, Province of Bulacan

HON. MARY JANE ORTEGA
Mayor, San Fernando City, La Union

HON. JENNY DE ASIS
Mayor, Municipality of San Francisco, Agusan del Sur

Moderator: HON. MA. LOURDES FERNANDO
Mayor, City of Marikina

11:00A.M.–12:00N

PLENARY WOMEN TRANSFORMING GOVERNANCE

Ms. REMEDIOS I. RIKKEN
President, Women in Politics Institute

Moderator: HON. EDNA C. TABANDA
Vice-Governor, Province of Benguet

12:00N–1:30P.M.

LUNCH

LUNCHEON SPEAKER: WOMEN AND
THE ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

HON. SENATOR LOREN LEGARDA
*Majority Floor Leader
Senate, Congress of the Philippines*

Moderator: DR. BERNADETTE RESURRECCION
*Assistant Professor, Gender and Development Studies
Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok*

1:30–3:00

SPECIFIC CONCERN SESSIONS

**Session A: Comprehensive Community-Based
Services for Violence Against Women (VAW) Survivors**

Bantay Familia of Naga City
HON. CECILIA VELUZ DE ASIS
Councilor, Naga City

Family Healing Centers in UP Diliman
DR. SYLVIA H. GUERRERO
Professor, University of the Philippines

Ms. HUMILIADA ADVINCULA
Barangay Captain, UP Campus, Diliman, Quezon City

Book Presentation

Freedom from Fear, Establishing a Quick Response Team
for Violence against Women: A Guide for Local
Government

Ms. MARION VILLANUEVA
CIDA-Local Government Support Program

HON. SANTIAGO G. BARCELONA, JR.
Mayor, Escalante City, Negros Occidental

Moderator: Ms. LA RAINE SARMIENTO
Quezon City Gender and Development Resource Office

Session B: Economic Empowerment of Women

Investing OFW Income in Local Development

DIR. ESTRELLA DIZON-AÑONUEVO
Executive Director, Balikabayani Foundation, Inc.

Enterprise Development for Women's Economic Empowerment in the CALABARZON

MS. ZONE NARITO
*Program Coordinator for GAD Mainstreaming, WISEACT
Member, NAPC Women's Sectoral Council*

Moderator: MS. RUBY PALMA
President, Sentro ng Manggagawang Pilipino

Session C: Comprehensive Health Care Delivery for Women

HON. GREGORIO FACULA
*Mayor, B. Dujali, Davao Health Clinic for Men
Davao del Norte*

"SENTRONG SIGLA"
Health Care Program of Pasay City

Moderator: MS. MA. JESUSA T. PINEDA
President, IMA Foundation, Inc.

3:00–3:30

COFFEE BREAK

3:30– 4:30

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MANILA
DECLARATION ON GENDER RESPONSIVE POLITICS AND
GOVERNANCE**

Presenter: HON. CELIA FLOR
Councilor, Bacolod City

Moderator: HON. CORAZON Z. DEL MUNDO, MNSA
*Councilor, Municipality of Imus, Cavite
and Treasurer Philippine Councilors League*

4:30–6:00

PLANNING OUR NEXT STEPS

Chair: HON. KATHERINE GORDON
Mayor, Olongapo City

6:00 onwards

DINNER AND SOCIALS

(with Performances by the Philippine Marine Band)

DAY THREE, THURSDAY, 15 MAY 2003

6:00–8:00A.M. BREAKFAST

9:00–11:00 PRESENTATION OF THE MANILA DECLARATION
TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

HON. BOARD MEMBER MARIANT VILLEGAS
National President, Lady Local Legislators League

HON. MAYOR MARYBETH T. DELGADO
*National President, Lady Municipal Mayors Association of the
Philippines*

HON. MAYOR MARY JANE ORTEGA
Secretary-General, League of Cities of the Philippines

HON. COUNCILOR CORAZON Z. DEL MUNDO, MNSA
Treasurer, Philippine Councilors League

Introduction of the President

DEAN AURORA JAVATE-DE DIOS
*Chairperson, National Commission on the Role of Filipino
Women*

Message and Acceptance of the Manila Declaration

HER EXCELLENCY GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO
President, Republic of the Philippines

Moderator: HON. DAISY FUENTES
Governor, South Cotabato

NOTE: Two computers with internet connection are available at a break-out room for those who wish to visit the websites of CAPWIP (Center for Asia Pacific Women in Politics), RIRF (Resource and Information Research Facility for Women), and other women's organizations.

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READING PAPERS

for the

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**FRAMEWORKS OF DEVELOPMENT
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FRAMEWORKS OF DEVELOPMENT FOR WOMEN

PHILIPPINE PROGRESS REPORT ON THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS	APGEN 2-Mainstreaming Gender & Women into Economic Policies & Governance Reforms	Phitsanulok Declaration	Framework Plan for Women	Women in Local Governance
<p>Body which released the directive</p> <p>MDG - UN General Assembly also known as the Millennium Summit/ Progress Report – NEDA</p>	<p>Body which released the directive</p> <p>UNDP</p>	<p>Body which released the directive</p> <p>Asia-Pacific Summit of Women Mayors and Councilors</p>	<p>Body which released the directive</p> <p>NCRFW</p>	<p>UCWS paper for the upcoming National Summit of Women Mayors and Councilors</p>
<p>Where Released</p> <p>New York/Philippines</p>		<p>Where released</p> <p>Phitsanulok, Thailand</p>	<p>Where released</p> <p>Manila, Philippines</p>	<p>Where released</p> <p>Quezon City, Philippines</p>
<p>Timeframe – 2000-2015</p>			<p>Time Frame - 2001-2004</p>	
<p>Scope</p> <p>Global/National</p>	<p>Scope</p> <p>Regional – Asia-Pacific</p>	<p>Scope</p> <p>Regional – Asia-Pacific</p>	<p>Scope</p> <p>National – Philippines</p>	<p>Scope</p> <p>National - Philippines</p>

<p>General Framework</p> <p>The Millennium Summit 2000 reaffirmed the commitment of UN member states and governments as they adopted the UN Millennium Declaration that revives the global commitment to seek for peace and human rights and set-out to reduce poverty worldwide. Specifically, these key objectives are embodied in the following:</p> <p>Goal 1. Eradicate extreme poverty & hunger</p> <p>Goal 2. Achieve universal primary education</p> <p>Goal 3. Promote gender equality</p> <p>Goal 4. Reduce child mortality</p> <p>Goal 5. Improve maternal health</p> <p>Goal 6. Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria, and other diseases</p> <p>Goal 7. Ensure environmental sustainability</p> <p>Goal 8. Develop a global partnership for development</p>	<p>General Framework</p> <p>UNDP will seek to contribute to building the capacity of governments to formulate and implement gender-responsive poverty reduction strategies and economic policies. The goal is to reduce income and human poverty for both men and women in the region, and to contribute to gender equality. It seeks to improve the processes of policy and decision making, including resource allocation, so that the interests of marginalized sectors, especially the women among them, are taken into account. The means would include support to building capacities of marginalized women to dialogue with policy makers, on one hand, and raising the awareness of policy makers on <i>de facto</i> gender discrimination, on the other. The program also seeks to make the institutions of governance gender-responsive.</p> <p>Women's political rights and gender-responsive governance</p> <p>This component will work with women leaders to make governance gender-responsive, and will target the following institutions of governance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Parliaments, through women 	<p>General Framework</p> <p>To increase the representation and participation of women in power and decision-making</p>	<p>General Framework</p> <p>Blueprint for the advancement of women for the next three years focusing on three areas of concern: 1) women's economic empowerment, 2) protection & fulfillment of women's human rights, 3) gender-responsive governance</p>	<p>General Framework</p> <p>To identify current issues in gender and governance with emphasis on local governance. To serve as basis for discussion and draft plan of action at the preparatory meeting for the coming national conference on gender and local governance.</p>
<p>Promote Gender Equality</p> <p>Target 5: Eliminate gender disparity in primary and secondary education, preferably by 2005, and to all levels of education no later than 2015</p>	<p>Issues</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increase representation of women in LG 2. Ensure that women representatives can participate effectively in local government by organizing meetings at times and venues that fit in with their other 	<p>Issue No. 1. To mainstream GAD in the bureaucracy</p> <p>Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enforce compliance to GAD mainstreaming policies - Enhance existing structural mechanisms to accelerate mainstreaming of GAD 	<p>Issues</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Absence of women's vote in the Philippines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - despite larger turn-out of women voters, they have not been able to get women candidates elected 	

<p>CHALLENGES/PRIORITIES FOR ACTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data in education tend to indicate that gender inequality is not a problem insofar as women and girls are concerned. Attention will now be given to the growing phenomenon of boys being disadvantaged in quality outcome and retention in the school system. - While females appear to be in step with their male counterparts in education, there is a need to strengthen efforts to remove the stereotype contents of textbooks and other instructional materials being used in the classroom. - Serious attention will also be drawn towards enhancing the relevance of the school curriculum, eliminating gender biases. - This effort will be complemented by strengthening the gender perspective of teachers and even parents, especially regarding career counseling. - It is also necessary to overcome obstacles to education such as multiple burdens of the girl-child who unlike her male counterpart carries more domestic responsibilities. - The government will continue to implement policies and programs relative to employment generation. 	<p>parliamentarians</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National and local government agencies/units, through women executives in national and local government agencies - Civil society organizations, with women and men leaders - Private sector including the mass media, with women and men leaders - The programme will establish cross-sectoral networking at the regional level among the above players around a shared commitment to making governance in Asia-Pacific gender-responsive. <p>1. Outputs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training network composed of individuals and institutions with capacity to train parliamentarians, national and local government executives, CSOs and private sector in gender responsive governance and transformative leadership (sub-regional training networks with region-wide interaction) - Strengthened networks of women in parliament, national and LGUs, and as a network is working to eliminate gender discrimination in access to employment and other economic resources, and in political representation and participation in their respective contexts 	<p>responsibilities and that are accessible to women with disabilities;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Ensure the incorporation of a gender perspective in local government program, policies and budgets; 4. Annual reporting by each local government on the state of women implementation & monitoring, reporting on gender budgeting 5. Ensure that disabled women are not excluded from participation in local government through lack of access or a failure to assist them with physical or other special needs; 6. Ensure the creation of arrangements and mechanisms that would reduce the multiple burdens of women representatives and leaders such as equal sharing of domestic responsibilities; <p>Strategies and Actions</p> <p>Systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quotas for women in countries with few opportunities to be elected, nominated, or appointed - Accord same power to all seats whether reserved or general - Ensuring that more women are recruited, appointed and promoted in local government service; - Constant review of legislation to mandate women's entry in local 	<p>- Localize GAD mainstreaming efforts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhance capability of local & regional GAD practitioners/trainors to deliver GAD programs - Strengthen linkages and partnerships among various partners <p>Interventions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conduct training for oversight bodies on monitoring of GAD plans and budget - Conduct training on GAD plan preparation and utilization of GAD budget - Develop and disseminate IEC materials on GAD mainstreaming for LGUs - Provide resource materials and expertise for GAD mainstreaming at the local levels - Establish monitoring system for gender of ODA funds - Establish GO-NGO-CSO networks and partnerships (Gender Watch) for GAD mainstreaming and monitoring at the local levels <p>Desired Outcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enabling environment for implementation of GAD plans <p>Responsible Agencies/organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DBM - DILG 	<p>2. Low participation rate of women running for public office</p> <p>3. The non-implementation LGC Code provision for sectoral representatives in the local councils (one sector being women)</p> <p>4. Women elected to political office come from political families; need to broaden areas for participation;</p> <p>5. Cultural barriers prevent women from running for public office</p> <p>6. Women should be trained to run for public office, to be informed about their tasks once there and to be agents of change</p> <p>Strategies</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training women for political office 2. Training on transformative politics 3. More NGO advocacy to LGUs, closer cooperation in
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<p>relative to employment generation, preservation, enhancement, and facilitation. This will be undertaken through an effective employment facilitation program, more responsive self-employment and livelihood interventions, particularly for women in the informal sector, and enhancement of productivity and competitiveness of both men and women.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The government will improve generation of sex-disaggregated data in order to determine the needs and situation of women and men, particularly in the informal sector, a growing sector in the country. - To enhance women's leadership roles and participation in decision-making, the government will promote gender-responsive management and leadership. The role of women's organizations in anti-corruption program and peace building and conflict resolution will be strengthened. 	<p>their respective contexts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Enhanced capacity of networks of women and men in media to address issues of gender discrimination and stereotyping within the industry and to support advocacy for gender-responsive policies and governance reforms -Asia-Pacific network of networks engaged in region wide advocacy and practice of gender-responsive governance and transformative leadership <p>2. Target countries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - existing networks of parliamentarians like Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the Asian Forum of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (AFPPD) and CSOs engaged in women's political empowerment issues like (CAPWIP) and other subregional and national networks. - the program will benefit all the countries in the region to the extent that parliamentarians, national and local officials, CSO leaders, media practitioners and private sector leaders of these countries are members form part of such networks. Special attention will be given to countries like East Timor, Bhutan, Maldives and Afghanistan which have not been mainstreamed into regional 	<p>mandate women's entry in local government in adequate numbers and to remove barriers to their effective participation in local government;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Electoral reforms that promote gender balance (e.g., proportional representation systems that incorporate party lists); -A ceiling on campaign spending; - Instituting consultation processes within local government to provide women with improved opportunities to participate in decision-making and governance; -Encouraging political parties to recruit more women members, candidates and office bearers to achieve 50-50 goal; <p>Empowerment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Equal employment opportunity programs to ensure that more women are employed in LG, and affirmative action programs to enable more women to move into senior management positions; -Encouraging and promoting women to be role models; -Encouraging and promoting women and men to practice value based politics and gender sensitive development; -Encouraging and promoting women to aspire to decision-making positions in local government; -Establishing national and local 	<p>-LGUs -NCRFW -All NGAs -All NGOs</p> <p>Issue No. 2. To enhance women's leadership roles and participation in decision-making</p> <p>Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Ensure equal representation of women in decision-making processes at the local, national, international levels -Promote gender-responsive management and transformative leadership <p>Interventions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Conduct leadership training for women -Advocate for more women candidates in elections -Provide welfare support services for grassroots women who wish to enter politics -Undertake research (i.e., best practices) and develop models of gender-responsive management and leadership -Conduct training on gender-responsive management and leadership -Implement policy on women's 	<p>governance 4. Showcase successful women political leaders</p>
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	<p>networks and movements, to ensure that they benefit from regional knowledge and expertise.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -the program will work in countries with Global Compact Initiatives, which are India, Philippines and Thailand. <p>3. Activities</p> <p>3.1 Training network for responsive governance and transformative leadership (sub-regional training networks with region-wide interaction)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Conduct of trainer's training for South Asia, East Asia, Southeast Asia and the Pacific for country training teams (CTTs) set-up under related country programmes by UNDP, UNIFEM or other partner institutions including government. It is expected that partners will support the adaptation of the training packages into national level realities. - Mentoring and monitoring the CTTs' adaptation and country level implementation and promoting the use of the modules by UNDP country programmes, as well as UN Country Teams by working through the UN gender working group. - Continued sharing of experiences and lessons among CTTs on line, and provision of 	<p>media programs to support women candidates before, during and after elections and encouraging media to promote a positive image of women in politics;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Special provisions in electoral bodies to monitor and prevent harassment and intimidation of women participating in electoral processes. <p>Networking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Establishing and strengthening associations of women in local governments to provide a base for networking and training; -Building networks among women in local government, non-governmental organizations, government, community-based organizations, including organizations of people with disabilities, and the media to develop support mechanisms that strengthen women's participation and leadership. <p>Financial and Other Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Paying and providing facilities to elected representatives at a level that will enable more women to participate -Establishing support systems for women in local government including technical and financial support, childcare and continuing encouragement. 	<p>representation in local councils</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Establish local machineries on women -Conduct capability building activities for the management of local machineries on women <p>Desired outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Improved representation of women in decision-making -Women-friendly political culture -Activated and strengthened local machineries on women <p>Responsible agencies/organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -CSC -DILG -LGUs -NCRFW -NGOs -Academic Institutions <p>Issue No. 3 Strengthen women's role in promoting gender-responsive governance</p> <p>Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Enhance role of women's organizations in anti-corruption programs 	
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	<p>support resource materials</p> <p>3.2 Strengthened networks of women in parliament, and in national and local government units working to promote women's economic and political rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Regional conferences and seminars: Once a year, APGEN will convene one regional conference on the substantive areas of focus of APGEN to raise the participants' awareness of the gender dimensions of macroeconomic policies and poverty reduction and on the CEDAW General Recommendations on temporary special measures, in order for them to support appropriate legislation at the national levels. APGEN will collaborate with existing parliamentarians' networks, institutes for legislative development, politics and governance, civil society organizations and UNDP regional programmes in convening these conferences. APGEN will also volunteer to input its tools and products to the partners' programmes targeting parliamentarians. - Documentation of experiences in temporary special measures and other approaches to increase 	<p>Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Providing training for women with political aspirations in skills needed for campaigns, and education on local government functions and processes; -Providing training for newly elected and appointed women on local government systems and their governance roles, rights and responsibilities so as to be more transparent and accountable to their electorate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Enhance women's role in peace-building & conflict resolution <p>Interventions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Strengthen and expand Women Against Graft campaign -Conduct training of women's group on how to monitor government purchases and expenditures -Develop mechanisms for monitoring fiscal operations -Institute policies that will institutionalize financial monitoring/fiscalizing role of CSOs -Mobilize women's groups to support initiative for clean and fair elections -Advocate for equal representation for women in peace councils -Develop training modules of women's role in peace building and conflict resolution -Conduct training on gender and peace -Integrate topics on peace and gender in school curricula -Develop IEC materials for use in anti-corruption campaign <p>Desired Outcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Efficient and effective utilization of government resources <p>Responsible Agencies/Organizations</p>	
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<p>women's leadership. APGEN will conduct a scanning of promising experiences in the region in this regard and document and analyse them for sharing back to other countries in the region. It will link with up with UNDP country programmes, the PARAGON (Asia) and GOLD (Pacific) regional governance programmes their use to support the advocacy for women's rights in politics. The results of this study will be discussed in a regional conference (as part of 4.2.1. above) to implement the UN-CEDAW General Recommendations on temporary special measures. Monitoring reports by human rights organizations, as well as by the UN-CEDAW and International Labour Organization, will input into the conference, which also aims to broaden understanding by State actors of their obligation to realize women's economic and political rights as contained in CEDAW and other Human Rights treaties as well as ILO Conventions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technical missions by APGEN pool of experts and/or facilitating mutual assistance between UNDP country programmes in training or advising parliamentary committees on legislation supporting women's economic and political rights 		<p>-CSC -COA -Commission on Higher Education -DBM -Department of Education -NCRFW -NGOs</p> <p>Issue No. 4. Strengthen partnership with media in covering various women's issues</p> <p>Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Enhance gender sensitivity of media practitioners -Set up enabling mechanism to facilitate exchange of data, information, tools, etc. between media and government pertinent to GAD concerns <p>Interventions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Conduct gender sensitivity workshops for media personnel -Undertake skills training on gender-responsive -Advocate to integrate gender fair standards in the ethical guidelines of media practice -Establish a GAD resource network among media practitioners <p>Desired Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Gender-fair and women-friendly portrayal of women in media -Media as advocate of gender
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<p>3.3.Enhanced capacity of networks of women and men in media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Documentation of models and lessons in mass media self regulation, audience monitoring and advocacy, and training, mentoring and other measures for promoting women's role in the mass media industry: Working with existing media networks and audience groups, APGEN Phase 2 will document good practice examples initiatives in the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addressing discrimination against women in the industry • Training of young women in media skills • Addressing gender stereotyping and related issues of content and coverage • Gender sensitivity training for women and men in media • Policy reforms relative to the above issues and initiatives at improving self-regulatory mechanisms • Media education and literacy for youth, women and community groups • Use by women, youth and community groups of various forms of media for their own networking and advocacy as well as for poverty alleviation and rural development 		<p>equality and human rights -Strengthened partnership with media covering women's issues</p> <p>Responsible Agencies/Organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Kapisanan ng mga Brodkaster sa Pilipinas -Philippine Information Agency -NCRFW -Private Sector -NGOs
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	<p>initiatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Support to media and audience networks in replication of good practice examples: AGEN will promote south-south exchange and other means to facilitate replication of good practices, e.g. -Featuring good practice examples during AGEN Partners' Conference and conferences of other institutions like UNESCO and UNIFEM -On line referral services -It will also assist networks of policy makers, media leaders and academe in developing project proposals to support replication, or networks of women and community groups in developing project proposals for capacity building in the use of ICT for development. <p>-3.4 Asia-Pacific Gender Equality Network, an informal network of networks, mainly electronic based, with affiliates and partners spanning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Women in parliament and national level leadership -Women in local governance, both officials and constituents -Policy, legislative, research, training, and other institutions supporting good governance reforms and capacity building for parliamentarians, LGUs and 			
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	<p>constituents; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Women and men in media, private sector and civil society organizations including trade unions critically collaborating with women in government for transformative and gender-responsive governance. <p>4. Partnerships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -With UNDP regional programmes like PARAGON (Asia), GOLD (Pacific) and TUGI (on urban governance) to facilitate the sharing of expertise and tools, such as the use of PARAGON training programmes on ethics and accountability and on rights and development as inputs to women Parliamentarians' capacity building, and of TUGI's score cards on good governance for use by women local government officials and constituents. -With existing networks of parliamentarians like IPU and AFPPD, of women in local governance like the Asia-Pacific Network of Women Mayors and Councilors (ESCAP organized) women leaders across the various levels and spheres of governance like CAPWIP and with resource institutions engaged in advocacy and capacity building initiatives for women's political rights, e.g., Center for Legislative 			
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	<p>Development (CLD).</p> <p>-Regional networks of civil society organizations that are equally committed to gender-responsive development programming and governance as well as transformative leadership like the Asian Partnership for the Development of Human Resources in Rural Asia (Asia DHARRA) and Asian Confederation of Cooperatives.</p> <p>-On gender issues in the media, APGEN will work with the existing networks such as Asian Women's Resource Exchange (AWORC), South Asian Free Media Alliance (SAFMA), Women's Feature Service (WFS), ISIS International (Manila), International Association of Women's Radio and Television in Asia (IWART-ASIA), Association of Progressive Communications (APC), Oneworld.net, Asian Institute of Journalism and Communications and organizations of universities with journalism and communications departments. It will also work with UNESCO, as well as UNDP regional programmes, specifically PARAGON and APDIP.</p>			
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