

Country report on Gendering the Population and Housing Census of Bangladesh 2011

Presentation Topic

- (1) Concepts on key terms used in the presentation
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- (3) Elements of Gender Equality
- (4) Gendering in Population and Housing Censuses
- (5) Selected Gender Statistics of Bangladesh.

(1) Key terms used in the presentation

- Sex- Refers to the biological differences between male and female people.
- Gender - Social difference between men and women, girls and boys.
- This is what society tells different men and women, girl and boys from their roles and responsibilities..
- Gender Statistics: Reflects all aspects of Women's and Men's likes their different opportunities, access to resources, their contribution to society, their needs and specific problem

(2) Constitutional Guarantee

- The Bangladesh Constitution, 1972 guaranteed equal rights to all citizens, regardless of gender, religion and other social divisions.
- Article 27 of Constitution- All citizens are equal before law and entitled to equal protection of law.
- Article 28 and 29: Prohibits dissemination on the grounds only on religion, race, caste, sex or place of birth
- Article (3) reserved 15 Parliament Seats for women which was raised to 45 later on.
- Women seats are also reserved in the local governments.

(3) Elements of Gender Equality

- (1) Household: Household resources, task allocation and family decision
- (2) Economic and Market: Access to lands, financial services, labour market and technologis.
- (3) Society: Civic and Political participation.

(4) Gendering in Population and Housing Census 2011

Gendering in population and housing Census, 2011 is analyzed from 4 points of view:

- (1) Enrolment of men and women in administering the Census in data collection and processing and dissemination;
- (2) Statistics collected on gender empowerment;
- (3) Statistics collected on gender equality: rights, resources and voice.
- (4) Gender Mainstreaming

4.1 Enrolment of Men and Women

In management about 10% are women, in data collection about 50% are women, in data processing about 30% are women and in data dissemination about 20% will be women.

4.2 Statistics on Gender Empowerment

No statistics are collected on gender empowerment in the census except for male headed and female headed household.

4.3 Statistics on Gender

We collect data in the main census by sex for literacy, marital status, school attainments, economic activity and field of work. In the sample census we collect data on birth and death, migration, household features etc.

4.4 Gender Mainstreaming

In the census data is collected for both the Men and Women. Where there are statistics for men there are provisions for women.

Selected Gender statistics of Bangladesh

Serial No	Indicator	Base Year		Current Year	
		Data	Year	Data	Year
1.	Sex Ratio(M/F)	106.4	2001	105.0	2008
2.	Literacy (7 ⁺)				
	Both	46.2	2001	57.7	2008
	Male	50.3	2001	60.8	2008
	Female	41.8	2001	54.6	2008
3.	Adult Literacy (15 ⁺)				
	Both	47.9	2001	59.1	2008
	Male	54.0	2001	63.4	2008
	Female	41.4	2001	54.2	2008
4.	Ratio of girls to boys				
	Primary	0.83	1991	1.03	2009
	Secondary	0.52	1991	1.17	2009
5.	Net enrolment Primary				
	Girls	54.2	1991	94.7	2001
	Boys	60.5	1991	87.8	2001
6.	Ratio of Literate Women/Men	64.9	1991	95.6	2001
7.	Drop out Rate for Primary School:				
	Female	32.7	2002	24.8	2007
	Male	37.6	2002	28.7	2007
8.	Male headed household	87.1	2001	88.7	2007
	Female headed household	2.9	2001	11.3	2007
9.	Maternal Mortality Rate	4.72	1991	3.48	2008
10.	Infant Mortality Rate				
	Female	90	1991	40	2008
	Male	95	1991	42	2008
11	TFR	4.24	1991	2.30	2008

Serial No	Indicator	Base Year		Current Year	
		Data	Year	Data	Year
12.	Proportion of 1 Year old child immunized				
	Girls	53.4	1991	86.5	2006
	Boys	54.5	1991	88.5	2006
13.	Labour Force Participation Rate (Refined)				
	Female	23.9	1999	29.2	2005
	Male	84.0	1999	86.8	2005
14.	Unemployment Rate(%)				
	Female	7.8	1999	7.04	2005
	Male	3.4	1999	3.35	2005
15.	Employment in Garments and Industry				
	Female	75	2001	85	2007
	Male	25	2001	15	2007