

## Regional Training of Trainers on the Gender Statistics Training Curriculum for Monitoring the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

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### Concept Note

#### I. Background and rationale

The Sub-Group on Gender Statistics Training (SGGST) was established in 2018 to support national statistics offices in the Asia-Pacific region to develop statistical capacities to effectively produce and use gender statistics for gender policy decisions, advocacy, and tracking progress of the sustainable development goals. The SGGST comprises representatives from national statistics offices, national statistical training institutes, academia, the media, and civil society.

Since its formation, the SGGST has been instrumental in providing guidance and leadership to several activities, most notably, the development of [Gender Statistics Training Curriculum](#). The curriculum was launched in 2020 as a key resource to boost efforts at building and strengthening institutional capacity in the production and use of gender statistics in the Asia-Pacific region. The curriculum, which was designed in a modular structure, presents a structured approach for organizing and delivering training in gender statistics to diverse audiences in a systematic and effective manner. Since its release, the curriculum has been widely used for training (national, regional, and subregional) in Asia and the Pacific and by many other institutions (universities etc.) and agencies outside the region.

In 2023, the curriculum benefited from a comprehensive review that sought to update its content to ensure alignment with recent developments. This review introduced significant and critical changes to the curriculum, including inter alia, updates to contents of all modules to reflect methodological advancements and capture new and emerging gender issues; enhancement of exercises; and the introduction of a new complementary module on non-conventional data sources and an introductory guide.

In light of those recent developments, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific

(ROAP), UN Women Centre of Excellence for Gender Equality (CoE) and United Nations Statistical Institute of Asia and the Pacific (SIAP) will be conducting a training of trainers to equip qualified trainers who are involved in providing capacity building assistance in gender statistics in the Asia-Pacific region and promoting the uptake of the curriculum.

## **II. Objectives**

The primary objective of this training is to build a pool of skilled trainers in the Asia-Pacific subregion that are equipped with the requisite skills and knowledge to plan, coordinate and deliver training in gender statistics, using the Gender Statistics Training Curriculum as the primary resource. The training of trainers will cover not only the technical content of the curriculum but also have a very practical slant that focuses on enhancing the didactical capabilities of the trainers in designing and delivering training on gender statistics. Additionally, the training will guide participants on how to localize the materials and provide an opportunity for trainers to share their own country's training experiences with others.

## **III. Expected outcomes**

As a result of the training of trainers, participants will:

- Acquire a better understanding of the updated modules of the curriculum, including the main objectives, key concepts and unique characteristics of each module
- Gain technical knowledge on gender statistics as well as develop knowledge on the emerging gender issues and methodologies
- Understand and share facilitation techniques and communication skills, as well as specific training tips related to the modules in the curriculum
- Apply effective didactical approaches and tools for delivering training on gender statistics.
- Be able to design and deliver training on gender statistics (at national, regional level), using the Gender Statistics Training Curriculum and the accompanying resources/ tools such as slide decks, curricula, exercises and tests.
- Be prepared to plan and conduct training on gender statistics in their respective countries
- Contribute to the widespread promotion and increased use of the curriculum in the Asia-Pacific region

The comprehensive approach that will be adopted for this training is expected to have a multiplier effect, which, in the long term, will support sustained capacity in gender statistics in the Asia-Pacific region and reduce the dependence on regional and international organizations for capacity building support.

#### **IV. Outputs:**

- The high-quality materials included in the Gender Statistics Training Curriculum are readily used in gender statistics training at national, regional and international levels
- Enhanced technical and training skills to effectively deliver gender statistics training
- Insights from participants over a six month and 12 month period after the training

#### **V. Training design and contents**

The training will consist of a mix of lectures, presentations, discussion sessions and hands-on exercises covering all the modules in the curriculum. It will also be designed to give participants opportunities for sharing good practices and methods in designing and delivering training.

The main resource for the training will be the [Gender Statistics Training Curriculum](#). The training of trainers is expected to cover all of the modules of the revised curriculum, namely:

- Introduction guide – how to use the Gender Statistics Training Curriculum
- What is gender data and how to use it for SDG monitoring?
- Gender data literacy and avoiding mistakes
- Calculating gender statistics for SDG monitoring
- Finding the right gender data and conducting basic analysis
- User-producer dialogue
- Methods for gender data collection and estimation
- Analyzing microdata with a gender angle
- Multi-level disaggregation analysis to monitor the SDG from a “Leave No One Behind” perspective
- Finding the right gender data and conducting basic analysis
- Communicating gender data

- Utilizing data for policy making
- Integrating the training curriculum materials into national curriculum

The training will familiarize participants not only with the substantive content of the curriculum but also introduce them to the new tools that have been added to support evaluation of gender statistics training in the short- and long- term.

Participants are expected to actively participate in all the training activities.

## **VI. Participants and Resource Persons**

The training of trainers targets members of the Sub-Group on Gender Statistics Training (SGGST), who are actively involved in facilitating training on the modules covered in the curriculum as well as promoting the curriculum's uptake in their respective sectors of work.

The training will be facilitated by resource persons from UN Women ROAP, UN Women CoE and SIAP who have been engaged in delivering training in gender statistics to different audiences and at various levels (national, subregional, and regional) using the curriculum. The facilitators will share their technical/theoretical knowledge and practical insights.

## **VII. Language**

The working language for this training is English.

## **VIII. Training requirements**

Although some of the modules in the curriculum are at an introductory level, some modules cover more advanced statistical analysis, that would require intermediate or advanced knowledge of statistics as well as knowledge and experience using statistical software such as R.

Participants will be required to bring their own laptop for the training, to complete the practical exercises and for the sessions using R statistical software. Participants may also be required to complete pre-training (online tutorial) in R, before training.