

Gender Programming Checklist

Food Security

Analyze gender differences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Perform a participatory needs assessment, a nutrition survey and initial rapid assessments by consulting an equal number of women and men to gather information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● short- and long-term losses of livelihood assets of women and men (e.g. single season's harvest or permanent loss of land); ● changes in women's and men's access to and control over land or other critical productive resources; ● literacy levels and employment rates of female- and male-headed households; ● the coping strategies of women and men in the crisis situation; ● malnutrition rates for girls and boys in terms of stunting, wasting and underweight; and ● micronutrient deficiencies.
Design services to meet needs of all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Design operations to address the different effects of the disaster on women, girls, boys and men and to build on existing/available capacities of women, girls, boys and men in the community.
Ensure Access for all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Use spot checks, discussions with communities and other similar measures to routinely monitor women's, girls', boys' and men's access to services, as well as control over productive resources. ◆ Promptly address obstacles to equal access.
Ensure equal Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Systematically consult and include women and men in food security interventions. ◆ Ensure equal and meaningful participation of women and men in decision-making and management of livelihood assets. ◆ Ensure equal and meaningful participation of women and men on registration and distribution committees.
Train all equally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Make training and skills development available to balanced numbers of women, men and adolescent girls and boys based on a needs assessment. ◆ Organize training and skills development at times and venues convenient for both women and men. ◆ Develop training and information materials based on the education level and knowledge of different socio-economic groups.

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Address gender-based violence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Train an equal number of female and male humanitarian workers on GBV-related issues and potential risk factors to enable them to provide support to affected persons and direct them to adequate information and counselling centres. ◆ Provide programmes to ensure income-generating activities and economic options for women and girls so they do not have to engage in unsafe sex in exchange for money, housing, food or education – or be exposed to GBV in other ways due to economic dependency on others. ◆ Educate women and men in the community, including village leaders and men's groups, on violence against women and girls, including domestic violence.
Collect , analyze and report programme monitoring data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Record the perceptions of women and men regarding changes in their lives (positive and negative) as a result of food security interventions and address the implications in programming. ◆ Conduct assessments of specific changes occurring in the livelihood systems of beneficiary female-, male- and child-headed households. ◆ Analyze how women's and men's different needs could have been met more efficiently; use data to inform future programming.
Target actions based on analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Organize public awareness campaigns on women's and children's rights (e.g. right to food). ◆ Teach vulnerable groups about their property rights (e.g. land) to increase their negotiating power and diminish abusive relationships.

Collectively coordinate actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Ensure actors in food security liaise with actors in other areas to coordinate on gender issues, including participating in regular meetings of the gender network. ◆ Ensure the food security area of work has a gender action plan and has developed and routinely measures project-specific indicators based on the checklist provided in the <i>Inter-Agency Standing Committee Gender Handbook</i>. ◆ Work with other sectors/clusters to ensure gender-sensitive humanitarian programming.
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