

Engendering Evaluation



'Another world is possible'

A group of village women in Andhra Pradesh, India, defined their visions of social change and worked out ways to measure that change. The women drew pictures inside a large circle to depict gender inequality in the world today as they perceived it: **the pictures included girls working in cotton fields outside a school full of boys, and a woman begging for work from the landlord**. In another circle, they showed how the world would look if gender equality became a reality: these **pictures depicted girls going to school, a woman working with bullocks, and a man doing housework while his wife attends a meeting.**

SEX

Biological difference between males and females:

- Universal for all human beings
- Usually unchanging
- Determined at birth

GENDER

Beliefs about the appropriate roles, duties, rights, responsibilities, accepted behaviors, opportunities, and status of women, men, transgender people, and others in relation to one another.

- Constructed by society
- Differs between cultures and over time
- Acquired
- Includes identity, expression, and orientation

Gender analysis in the evaluation context

Gender analysis is a subset of socio-economic analysis. It is a social science tool used to identify, understand, and explain gaps between males and females that exist in households, communities, and countries.

It is also used to identify the relevance of gender norms and power relations in a specific context (e.g., country, geographic, cultural, institutional, economic, etc.).

Justifying Gender Analysis

Gender roles affect:



Access to Assets: markets, income generating opportunities, education, public services.



Knowledge, Beliefs, and Perceptions



Practices and Participation in society and in political processes



Space and Time use, including geographical mobility



Legal Rights and Status



Power: ownership and control of productive resources

Beyond Women and Girls

Roles, relations, and power dynamics among men, women, boys, girls, transgender people, and others

Why integrate gender in evaluation

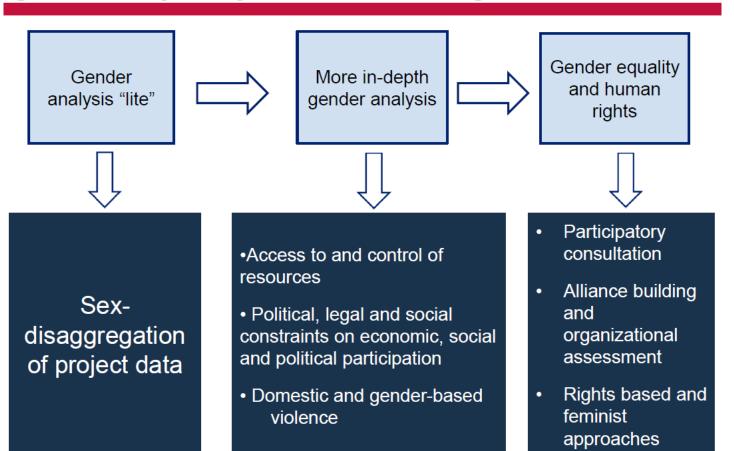
- Gender is everywhere
 - Gender-neutral development programs
- Provide evidence to:
 - Improve programs
 - Advocacy
 - Raise awareness
- Accountability
- Stimulate change through data collection processes
- Contribute to the achievement of broad development goals

Considerations to Engendering Evaluations

- Collecting appropriate sex-disaggregated data
- Developing indicators designed to track changes in key gender gaps
 - Asking clear questions to uncover intended and unintended positive and negative changes for women, men, transgender people, and other groups.

1. From "lite" gender analysis to "in-depth" gender analysis

Continuum from gender-analysis "lite" to gender equality and human rights



Gender Domains of Analysis	Key Issue
Access to assets	Who has access to which particular assets? What constraints do they face?
Knowledge, beliefs, and perceptions	Who knows what? What beliefs and perceptions shape gender identities and norms?
Practices and participation	Who does what? What are the gender roles and responsibilities that dictate the activities in which men and women participate? How do men and women engage in development activities?
Time and space	How do men and women spend their time, as well as where and when?
Legal rights and status	How are men and women regarded and treated by customary and formal legal codes?
Balance of power and decision making	Who has control over the power to make decisions about one's body, household, community, municipality, and state? Are such decisions made freely?

2. Identify key stakeholders and their roles

- Who are you getting information from?
 Who are you not meeting?
- What is their role in the intervention?
- How much of a priority is their participation?
- At what stage should they be involved?
- Do you have creative ways to get information from, and about, nonbeneficiaries and groups, who may be better or worse off as a result of the program?

3. Develop gender-related evaluation questions

- Has the removal of gender-based constraints contributed to improved health outcomes?
- Have stigma and discrimination against people who do not follow traditional gender norms and behaviors been reduced?
- Were gender-integrated program components implemented as planned?
- What positive or negative unintended effects on gender equality were identified during implementation, if any? How were they addressed?
- What are the key gender relations related to each gender domain (chart above) that affect male and female participation in the project?

4. Select an appropriate study design

5. Gendersensitive data collection

Gender-blind data collection tool, protocols, and research methods may unintentionally narrow the diversity of perspectives and experiences captured from key stakeholders, especially those who are low in social power.

- Disproportionate participation of males vs. females
- Conditions under which women (or men) feel empowered to speak freely.
- Gender roles and constraints

6. Gender expertise on the evaluation team

Wholly-focused Gender Evaluations

 Gender expert with experience in gender analysis and designing or leading engendered evaluations.

Evaluation Team:

- An awareness of gender norms,
- how gender interacts with other identity elements, and
- which sub-groups of women may be at risk for exclusion from the project or evaluation
- members of both sexes

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