

WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT  
AND  
INFLUENCE

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# **Indicators Reflecting Women's Changing Responsibilities in Society**

**New area in social and economic statistics**

**Widely recognized necessary to**

- Highlight changing contributions of women to civil society and the national body politic and**
- Promote greater gender equality in the public sphere.**

# **Political Participation**

**Participation at Higher Administrative Levels**

**Participation in Economic Decision Making**

**National level**

**Household level**

# Political Participation

- Participation in national elections
- Participation in local elections
- Percent women among members of parliament<sup>MDG \*</sup>
- Percent women among candidates for parliament
- Percent women among parliamentary committees
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- Percent women among leaders of political parties
- Percent women among members of cabinet

# Participation at Higher Administrative Levels

Percent women at higher levels in

- ❖ regional administration
- ❖ national administration
- ❖ local administration, e.g. mayors, members of local boards
- ❖ judges
- ❖ labor unions leaders
- ❖ university professors, deans and presidents

# **Participation in Economic Decision Making**

- **National level**
- **Household Level**

# National level

**Managers and board members in the private sector, e.g.**

- **25 largest private companies**
- **Other companies**

**Managers and board members in the voluntary sector, e.g.**

- **25 largest NGOs**
- **Other NGOS**

# **Female Entrepreneurship**

**Percent women and men workers  
among**

- **Employers in the formal sector**
- **Employers in the informal sector**



# Household Level

- **Women's share in household decision making**
- **Difference in the average age at first marriage of men and women**

# What do we have?

## Legislature

4/128\* or 3.1 percent

## Ministers

2/30 or 6.7 percent

(\*128/138 by IPU)

**Ambassadors: 1-6 percent**

Pipeline has 7.4 percent

**Judges: 28 percent**

**Syndicate Boards: 3/18 or 17 percent**

# Household Level

**Decision making in economic and social spheres**

**Buying major items for the household**

**64 % wife and husband together**  
**37 % husband only**

**Deciding on family visits**

**88 % wife and husband together**  
**11 % husband only**

(preliminary data MISC3 survey, 2009)

# **How do we proceed from this slim base?**

**Annual review of administrative data**

**Household survey data on decision- making**

**Labor market surveys on entrepreneurs**

**Special surveys of industry**

***Important to collect also to serve as a baseline for future monitoring***

*Thank you*