



Engendering Development through Gender **Equality at**







Why Engender Development?



- Ensure gender justice and promote gender equality
- Address discriminatory social norms and practices
- Enhance the value of women and girls
- Provide equal opportunities to women and girls
- Help realize the vision of the Sustainable Development Goal 5



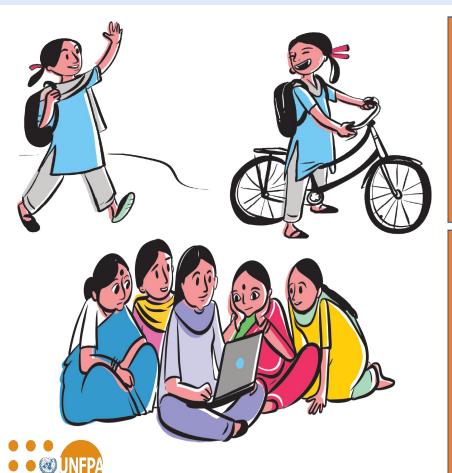
Engendering Development in villages

- Enable organization of Mahila Sabhas to promote women's participation and understand their needs and concerns.
- Ensure preparation of Gram Panchayat Development Plans with involvement of women and girls
- Earmark funds in the Gram Panchayat budget for empowering women and girls
- Initiate community level actions to ensure improved value of women and girls.
- Facilitate convergence with existing structures such as SHGs and NRLM to empower women and increase their autonomy.
- promote full and effective participation of women and girls in political, economic and social life
- Integrate gender in the constitution and functioning of Gram Panchayat Level Standing Committees.





Role of Panchayats in Engendering Development: A Life Cycle Approach



CHILDHOOD

- Mobilizing families and community to celebrate birth of a girl child through innovative means
- Ensure functioning and enrollment of girls in Anganwadi Centers
- Ensure enrollment and retention of girls in schools
- Ensure constitution and functioning of Village Child Protection Committees

ADOLESCENCE

- Empowering girls by providing access to life skills and linking to vocational skills for gainful employment
- Ensure availability of adolescent friendly health services including counselling
- undertaking safety audits and ensure compliance for e.g. street lights.
- Creating awareness about illegality of early, forced and child marriage.
- Ensure functioning of Village Health,
 Nutrition and Sanitation Committees

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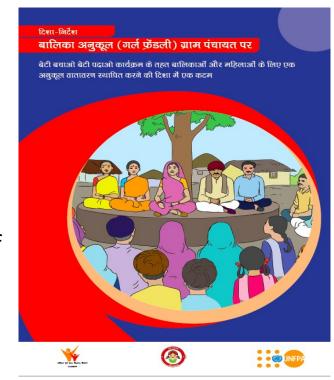
- Information about rights and entitlements of women and girls
- Access to health information and services
- Develop community support infrastructure and services to lessen the work burden of women
- Ensure women and girl children enjoy property-ownership rights in family inheritance of property
- Ensure equal wages to women, at par with men
- To reduce the work-burden of women, promote enabling technology like solar energy

ELDERLY

- Information and access to social protection schemes.
- Ensure elderly women lead a life free of violence.
- Access to geriatric care at Health facilities
- Initiate Elderly Self Help Groups.
- Initiate programs for Inter- generational approach to ageing, especially with elderly women
- Create geriatric infrastructure like Old age homes within the Gram Panchayat

Balika Friendly Panchayats- Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan

- Capacity Building of various stakeholders on gender and empowerment of women and girls.
- Sustained mentoring support to selected Panchayats after training; for developing a girl friendly work-culture.
- Constituting a supportive Core Group comprising of Sarpanch, Ward Panches, Aanganwadi Worker, School Teachers, Religious Leaders, other influential community leaders and their orientation on gender and addressing harmful practices
- Organisation of monthly meetings for concurrent monitoring of the annual workplans of the Gram Panchayat to ensure issues related to women and girls are included and addressed.
- Undertaking innovative activities to enhance value of women and girls





Sarpanch narrating experiences related to Girl Friendly Gram Panchayat

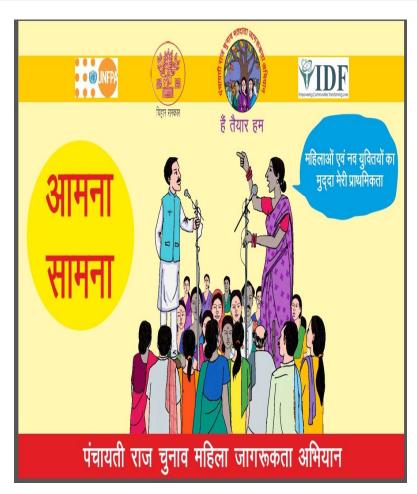




Pre - Election Voter Awareness Campaign, Sheikhpura, Bihar

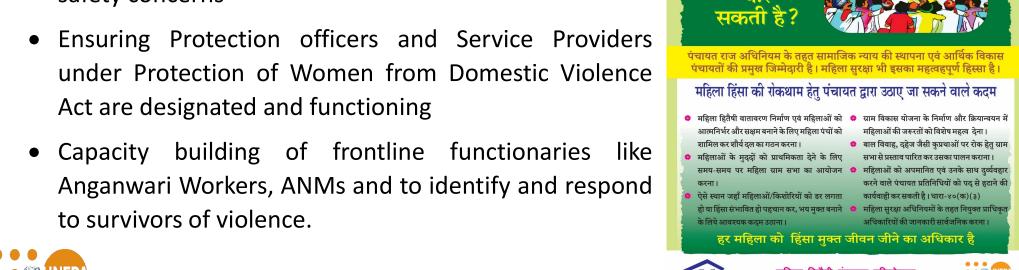
- Updation of voter list with focus on women and girls
- Awareness campaign on voting rights
- Nurturing young leadership through training and capacity building
- Nomination help camps for women contestants
- Development pact- Interaction of contestant candidates with community to understand specific needs of women and girls.





Addressing Gender Based Violence, Chhatarpur, Madhya Pradesh

- **Undertaking safety Audits**
- Engaging with women's collectives through Mahila Mudda Chaupals to understand and address their safety concerns







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Awareness on Laws for Gender Equality, Dhenkenal, Odisha













Localising SDG 5: Creation of women friendly Panchayats



A Panchayat where women are equal partners in development



A Panchayat where women and girls live with dignity, realise their dreams and pursue their aspirations

A Panchayat where women have the autonomy to make decisions about themselves and their lives



A Panchayat where women and girls have access to ownership of assets and coverage under social protection schemes