

- land rights
 - environment and biodiversity
 - indigenous knowledge
20. On the issue of land rights, care and attention is needed to address women's land rights.
 21. That Canada ensures that within their own decision-making and consultation processes there is adequate and balanced participation of women through their organizations, companies and political representatives.
 22. That a Round Table of African and Canadian women be held for the purpose of:
 - Contributing to the development and implementation of the Africa Action Plan
 - Greater alignment with NEPAD
 - Developing the Framework for the Integration of Women in both the AAP and NEPAD
 23. That Canada establish a DFI as an effective means of ensuring that its international commitment to promote and enhance sustainable socio-economic development in those countries that need it the most.
 24. That Canada ensure that the DFI incorporate and adapt CIDA's Gender Equality Policy as part of its framework of operations.

Special Recommendations from Survey Responses

25. While ODA policies have a "poverty reduction" focus, CIDA's lack of an agriculture and food security priority results in an urban bias to Canada's development assistance programming. This is the case even though between 66% and 75% of the poorest people of developing countries live in rural areas and derive a major portion of their livelihood from agriculture.
26. In relation to rural Africa, the lack of an agriculture and food security priority undermines women's development and defeats CIDA's strategy of mainstreaming gender in any rural development programming. Rural African women contribute more toward family food security than do their male counterparts. They depend most on their farm production to meet family food needs.