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including employment and wages, health, the informal sector, agricultural production, income, and access to resources and services;

(iii) To promote and assist in the national collection and dissemination of statistics and indicators on the situation of women and women in development.

Strategy

Considerable progress has been made in improving and co-ordinating statistics and indicators on the situation of women. Efforts will continue to improve concepts and methods, to establish more effective systems of collecting data disaggregated by sex in all relevant fields, to provide adequate data-processing facilities and training, to widen the dissemination and use of the substantial data already available, and to promote dialogue between users and producers of data on needs, priorities and applications. Specific objectives include making generally available income, employment, wage, and industrial and agricultural statistics disaggregated by sex. Other priorities are developing integrated statistics of rural income, production and access to resources and services disaggregated by sex, based on household and agricultural surveys and reviewing statistical definitions, such as those used in labour force, national accounts and other economic statistics, to ensure that women are given appropriate treatment.

In order to avoid duplication and to ensure consistency in the statistics, this work will be carried out within the conceptual and organizational frameworks established by the United Nations system, including the framework for the integration of social, demographic and related statistics, the System of National Accounts and the System of Balances of the National Economy, the World Programme of Industrial Statistics, the 1990 World Population and Housing Census Programme, the National Household Survey Capability Programme, and the indicators for monitoring the implementation of the Programme of Action of the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development and progress towards health for all by the year 2000. This work will take into account the work of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women and will be periodically reviewed by the Statistical Commission of the United Nations.

Additional statistical publications and an international data base on the situation of women will be completed. The compilation of selected statistics and indicators prepared for the Nairobi Conference will be updated and enlarged in connection with monitoring the implementation of the Forward-looking Strategies.

Technical co-operation will be carried out with countries for the collection and dissemination of unbiased statistics and indicators on the situation of women and their participation in development, using household surveys, population, housing, agricultural and industrial censuses, national accounts and data on the informal sector. Technical support will be provided to countries for training users and producers of statistics and indicators on women, for reviewing existing data collection concepts and methods and for improving basic data collection programmes, and for training women as demographers and statisticians, especially in economic statistics.