BP 600-A: GAD ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT Instructions

Column (1) Programs/Activities/Projects

Agencies which have reviewed their programs/activities/projects for gender-responsiveness will proceed by filling up all the sections. Beginners in gender mainstreaming or those agencies which have yet to create the environment supportive of gender mainstreaming will start with the second section of the form. Beginners in gender mainstreaming are those which have yet to: make key people in the agency appreciate and understand gender; formulate internal policies that will support gender mainstreaming in the agency; create mechanisms for GAD such as Focal Point and trainers' pool; and develop sex-disaggregated databases.

To assess the progress in gender mainstreaming, agencies may use the "Gender Mainstreaming and Evaluation Framework" (GMEF). It is a self-assessment tool which will help agencies determine where they are in the gender mainstreaming continuum and formulate measures towards progress. The GMEF is available for viewing and free download at www.ncrfw.gov.ph. Hard copies may be purchased at the NCRFW library.

Entries to this section shall include the title, objectives, target clientele, and the total budget of the program, project or mainstream activities.

Column (2) Gender Issue

An issue may be reported as a gender issue if it:

- articulates the extent of disparity of women and men over benefits from and contribution to a program and/or project of the agency (Client-Focused Issues), or
- points to the gap in the capacity of the organization to integrate a gender dimension in the activities of its programs and projects (Organization-Focused Issues).

A gender issue is best drawn from a gender analysis or diagnosis and is supported by data and statistics. The supporting data tells about the extent and magnitude of the gender issue or bias being presented.

Column (3) GAD Activity

The GAD activity is a component of the regular programs, activities and projects of the agency. An activity may be reported as a GAD activity if it seeks to:

- promote the equality between women and men in the distribution of benefits and the opportunity to contribute to an agency program or project; and/or
- address the gaps in knowledge, skills, and attitudes of key personnel on gender mainstreaming.

It is important to note that in most areas of life, there are significant disparities between women and men. In order to address the disparities, agencies have to uphold positive actions to promote the interest of women. For example, in promoting women's participation and involvement in farmer's cooperatives, it is not of value for agencies to target and report 50% men and 50% women as participants since this will not change the existing status of women as against men. In the same token, activities that target women without clear articulation as to how they will contribute to closing in gender gaps are likewise of little value. Examples of this are: procurement of violet uniforms for the agency's women choral group members, laser tooth extraction for employees, purchase of mineral water for employees, and construction of structures such as covered path walks and tennis court.

GAD activities may target women, men or both. Activities that have targeted men may be reported as GAD activity for as long as the objective is to correct gender disparities as in the case of establishing a network of men against sexual harassment in the workplace or training and encouraging men to share in parenting and child-rearing responsibilities.

Agencies, especially those which are new in gender mainstreaming may report activities that are intended to develop or strengthen their institutional capacity for gender mainstreaming.

Column (4) Results

This section shall reflect the consequences of the activity that has been conducted. It shall provide a description of the change that has occurred after implementing the activity. There are two types of results that have to be reported. The immediate results of the activity (output) and the more distant change (outcome) that are anticipated or actually have occurred as a result of a series of related activities and achieving a combination of outputs. In cases where many activities are required to come up with an output, it is recommended that the agency reflects all these activities in the report.

Column (5) Cost

To avoid double counting and attributing the entire program or project cost as GAD Budget, agencies will only report the actual cost for the conduct of the GAD activities. The agency shall specify whether the funding was sourced from overseas donors or from the GAA or from both.

Column (6) Remarks

Agencies are encouraged to report any deviation from their proposed plan and budget and provide the reasons for the deviation as well as the factors that have facilitated or hindered the implementation of gender mainstreaming in the agency.