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The Minimum Set of Gender Indicators has been developed by Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics (IAEG-GS) constituted by United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD). The Minimum Set of Gender Indicators was agreed by the United Nations Statistical Commission in its 44th Session in 2013 (E/CN.3/2013/33). The Minimum Set of Gender Indicators is to be used across countries and regions, for the national production and international compilation of gender statistics.

The indicators are organized into five domains namely (i) Economic structures and access to resources (ii) Education (iii) Health and related services (iv) Public life and decision-making and (v) Human rights of women and child. Each domain addresses one or more of the Beijing Platform for Action critical areas of concern.

The minimum set of gender indicators comprising of 52 quantitative indicators and 11 qualitative indicators addressing relevant issues to gender equality and/or women’s empowerment. As of the April 2019, the minimum set of gender indicators have been classified in three tiers namely;

- 34 indicators fall under the Tier 1 indicator (Tier 1: indicator addresses relevant issues related to gender equality and/or women’s empowerment; is conceptually clear and has an international established methodology and standards; and data are regularly produced by countries, with sufficient coverage to allow tracking progress over time

- 13 indicators fall under the Tier 2 indicator (Tier 2: indicator addresses relevant issues related to gender equality and/or women’s empowerment; is conceptually clear and has an international established methodology and standards; but data are not regularly produced by countries

- 4 indicators fall under the Tier 3 indicator (Tier 3: indicator addresses relevant issues related to gender equality and/or women’s empowerment; but with no international established methodology or standards; data are not regularly produced by countries

- 1 indicator falls under both Tier 1 and Tier 2.

Out of 52 quantitative indicators of the minimum set of gender indicators, 22 quantitative indicators are aligned with global SDG indicators. Information related to many of these quantitative indicators of the minimum set of gender indicators have been given in the Women and Men in India, the mapping of which has been given in Appendix-I.