

## Progress in Philippines country in 2022

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More women lead, participate and have access to business opportunities to advance sustainable and inclusive growth

UN Women through WeEmpowerAsia promoted and expanded opportunities for women to lead, participate and access business opportunities through policy, programming, capacity building as well as adaption and implementation of the Women's Empowerment Principles. In total it has seen accross its three outcome areas the following: 24 Number of events and participants, categorized as follows: Policy related discussions – 8 events, 2628 participants including views(1820), without views 808 All discussions and events linked to entrepreneurs and MSMES – 6events, 473 with views(200) without views 273 WEPs activation and promotion – 8 events, 1139 participants And towards it closing event, a face to face stakeholder's appreciation/closing ceremony with 75 participants.

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Facilitating regular migration, decent work and enhancing the positive development effects of human mobility

In 2022, UN Women Philippines, through the BRIDGE Programme, supported improved policies and practices on sustainable, gender-responsive reintegration for migrant workers in the Philippines, contributing to SDG8 on Decent Work and Economic Growth.

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Laws, policies and strategies adopted and implemented in line with international standards and informed by voices of women survivors of violence to prevent and respond to VAWG

UN Women made significant contributions to strengthening the legal frameworks and enhancing capacities of frontline service providers on, and convening dialogues for interagency bodies to integrate into their mandates elimination of violence against women with particular attention to women migrant workers. The enacted and amended laws where UN Women through SAF are in line with international standards such as the CEDAW and SAF's 16 Essentials for Quality Multisectoral Service Provision to Women Migrant Workers Subject to Violence, aimed to prevent and respond to VAWG. These laws were informed by voices of women survivors of violence where women migrant workers participated in various consultations related to the formulation of the said policies. These include RA 11648 or An Act Raising the Age of Sexual Consent, and RA 11862 or the Expanded Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2022, the Implementing Rules and Regulation (IRR) ofImplementing Rules and Regulations of RA 11641 or An Act Creating the Department of Migrant Workers, Talisay City's Ordinance 658 Establishing OFW Help Desks, and Manila City Ordinance 8788 Creating the Local Ordinance on Anti-Trafficking and Violence against Women and Girls. The annual target for laws, policies and strategies is 1 law or policy; the programme achieved 5 policies, exceeding the target. Monitoring report with supporting documents can be accessed at https://unwomen-

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Peace talks, recovery, conflict resolution and peace building planning processes include women's participation and promote and protect women's human rights.

UN Women's Programme on Women, Peace and Security (WPS) directly contributes to SDG (16): Promote peaceful

and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels In 2022, the programme has mainly contributed to the outcome of promoting the empowerment of women through interventions that support the peace, security and resilience in the communities as well as the meaningful participation of women in peacebuilding. UN Women raised the WPS Agenda in BARMM by ensuring that needs of women and girls in conflict-impacted areas area reflected in local Gender and Development plans in over 17 local government units, ensuring that programs and services reach the most vulnerable women and girls in the Bangsamoro region.

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More justice institutions are accessible to and deliver for women and girls

Will be implemented next year 2023

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Effective UN system coordination to promote accountability to deliver on gender equality and women's empowerment

Philippines Programmes Office has supported and played a key role in the very first UNCT Gender SWAP Scorecard Assessment which surfaced several elements that requires streamlined action from the UNCT level to articulate and translate it commitment to actions in promoting gender equality and women's empowerment. UN Women team also took part and contributed to the drafting of the new common country analysis looking at how gender dimensions should be reflected in the various critical areas identified and also submitted an analytical piece on gender which will form part of the CCA, contents of which were result of various consultations and conversations with stakeholders. Leveraging on UN Women's coordination function, we have seen results in the following areas: UNCT Level Forwarded concrete recommendations as part of the Action Plans linked to the Gender SWAP Scorecard assessment; Led the drafting and submission of observations to the CEDAW Committe and UPR Began coordinating key actions and work for GiHA

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## Strategic partnership and alliance building

UN Women in the Philippines through projects implemented across key thematic areas and intervention continued to broaden its work to help build and contribute to an enabling environment that promotes equal, peaceful, resilient communities and societies where women can live and lead peaceful lives free from violence and discrimination. This was done through meaningful and strategic partnerships forged with civil society organizations, key government agencies, academic institutions, and private sector which is the biggest number we have seen by far. Through engaging at least eight (8) government agencies, thirty-three (33) civil society organizations, four (4) academic institutions and four (4) private sector /industry associations/cooperatives – UN Women widely promoted and advocated for national to local level policies/laws that paves the way for women to access and be part of institutions that supports and promotes women's empowerment and gender equality. Conduct of wide public awareness and campaigns utilizing various platforms online and offline, hosting and coordinating multi-stakeholder consultations and policy dialogues, building economic resilience and sustainable livelihoods, enhancing confidence to communicate and tell their own narratives, supporting and ensuring self-care and well-being is at the core of what women as well as service providers will do – brought lessons and information that allows all partners and stakeholders, including UN Women to reflect on what works and establish clear grounding on how we can best demonstrate UN Women's mandates.

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Improved management of financial and human resources in pursuit of results

The Philippines will now benefit from a core funded country programme coordinator and operations associate in charge to ensure the management of financial, human and programme resources as fully utilized to ensure expected results.