

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)

What is the name of your organization

ESCAP

Does your organization have any field presence?

No

Please give the names of the units of your entity that contribute to the implementation of the Action Plan. (Max 300 words)

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Area of Action A. Conflict prevention and early warning

Progress and results At Headquarters

Progress and results In the Field

Lessons learned and good practices At Headquarters

Lessons learned and good practices In the Field

Gaps and challenges At Headquarters

Gaps and challenges In the Field

Please describe any activities not included in the Action Plan

Area of Action B. Peacemaking and peacebuilding

Progress and results At Headquarters

1. A strategic programme framework has been developed based on the findings from stakeholder consultation process in selected number of countries experiencing on-going or post conflict situations. The strategic programme framework focuses on the following five action areas; capacity building of women and youth leadership, capacity building for gender and social responsive media, enhancing access to information, regional policy exchanges and cooperation, and comparative applied research and documentation. The strategic programme framework will be the basis for development of projects addressing the five mentioned action areas. 2. In response to one of the action area on comparative research and documentation identified by stakeholders, a project profile on good practices for achieving gender equality in post-conflict societies in Asia and the Pacific has been formulated. Under the project, a comparative study will be undertaken in the areas of constitutional and legal reforms, electoral process, humanitarian assistance as well as basic services delivery systems. The study will be taking stock of good practices and disseminate them in various forms including policy briefs, books and training manuals.

Progress and results In the Field

Lessons learned and good practices At Headquarters

Lessons learned and good practices In the Field

Gaps and challenges At Headquarters

1. Constraints in terms of financial and human resources pose challenges in the effective implementation of the action plan. Planned activities are depending on donor funding through technical cooperation. More regular budgetary resources need to be allocated to support them. 2. In order to strengthen system wide coherence, a regional coordination mechanism should be in place. In this regard, regional commissions are well positioned to assume the role of regional coordinator in terms of their convening powers and diverse mandates which enable them to interlink security, development and human rights.

Gaps and challenges In the Field

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As a follow-up to the stakeholder consultation process at the national level, a regional-level meeting with interested agencies and bilateral donors was organized. Participants agreed on avoiding duplication through strengthened coordination, creating synergy between existing on-going programmes and new initiatives, and enhancing strategic linkages between national and regional levels.

Area of Action C. Peacekeeping operations

Progress and results At Headquarters

Progress and results In the Field

Lessons learned and good practices At Headquarters

Lessons learned and good practices In the Field

Gaps and challenges At Headquarters

Gaps and challenges In the Field

Please describe any activities not included in the Action Plan

Area of Action D. Humanitarian response

Progress and results At Headquarters

Progress and results In the Field

Lessons learned and good practices At Headquarters

Lessons learned and good practices In the Field

Gaps and challenges At Headquarters

Gaps and challenges In the Field

Please describe any activities not included in the Action Plan

Area of Action E. Post-conflict Reconstruction and Rehabilitation

Progress and results At Headquarters

Progress and results In the Field

Lessons learned and good practices At Headquarters

Lessons learned and good practices In the Field

Gaps and challenges At Headquarters

Gaps and challenges In the Field

Please describe any activities not included in the Action Plan

Area of Action F. Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration

Progress and results At Headquarters

Progress and results In the Field

Lessons learned and good practices At Headquarters

Lessons learned and good practices In the Field

Gaps and challenges At Headquarters

Gaps and challenges In the Field

Please describe any activities not included in the Action Plan

Area of Action G. Preventing and Responding to Gender-based Violence in Armed Conflict

Progress and results At Headquarters

Progress and results In the Field

Lessons learned and good practices At Headquarters

Lessons learned and good practices In the Field

Gaps and challenges At Headquarters

Gaps and challenges In the Field

Please describe any activities not included in the Action Plan

Area of Action H. Preventing and Responding to Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by United Nations Staff, Related Personnel and Partners

Progress and results At Headquarters

Progress and results In the Field

Lessons learned and good practices At Headquarters

Lessons learned and good practices In the Field

Gaps and challenges At Headquarters

Gaps and challenges In the Field

Please describe any activities not included in the Action Plan

Coherence and Coordination

Policy Guidance: Do you have any internal policy documents providing guidance on implementation of SCR 1325?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

A technical Background paper containing the strategic programme framework titled "Strengthening gender-responsive governance in the UNESCAP region: A building-block for post-conflict reconstruction policies" serves as an internal policy guideline for the effective implementation of SCR 1325.

If not, please explain:

Programme Coordination: Is implementation of SCR 1325 reflected in substantive policy/project/funding design and management?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

If not, please explain:

In accordance with the strategic programme framework, activities related to the action plan are still under design.

Common-System Partners: Does your entity at Headquarters collaborate and coordinate with different UN entities?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

As a follow-up to the stakeholder consultation process, UNDP Regional Centre in Bangkok, OHCHR, UNHCR and UNIFEM were invited to the regional-level consultation and discussed possible modalities of future cooperation.

Have any specific challenges been encountered?

Common-System Partners: Does your entity in the field collaborate and coordinate with different UN entities?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

At the country-level consultations as the part of stakeholder processes, a wide range of UN Agencies including Inter-Agency Gender Theme Groups, UNDP country offices, UNFPA, UNIFEM, UNICEF, UNESCO and OHCHR were engaged.

Have any specific challenges been encountered?

Collaboration and coordination with national and regional partners: Does your entity collaborate and coordinate with national and regional partners, including government actors and civil society?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

Representatives of national commissions, women's machineries, leading women's rights organizations, and a large number of participants from the parliament, the media, civil society including independent social inclusion and gender experts, universities, bilateral aid organizations and the private sector were engaged in the country-level stakeholder consultation process. Extensive network of these national actors will be further utilized in the implementation of action plan.

Have any specific challenges been encountered?

System-wide Coherence and Coordination: Do you feel your work is part of a coordinated and coherent strategy for the UN system to implement SCR 1325?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

Efforts such as devising concerted action plan for SCR1325 is a good starting point to bring more coordination and coherence. However, it needs to be strengthened by establishing an institutional mechanism for coordination that links activities of different players at the national, regional and headquarter levels and create synergies among them.

If not, please explain:

Accountability of managers and staff

Does your entity have mechanisms in place to ensure accountability for implementation of SCR 1325 among staff, in particular for senior managers?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

Have any specific challenges been encountered?

Results-Based Management (RBM)

RBM Framework: Have provisions of SCR 1325 been integrated within Results-based Management Frameworks?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

If not, please explain:

Activities related to the action plan are still under design.

Indicators: Have indicators to measure progress in implementing commitments under the action plan been established?

Don't know

If yes, please describe what indicators:

Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting

Monitoring: Has any monitoring mechanism for implementation of SCR 1325 been established within your entity at Headquarters?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

If not, please explain:

Activities related to the action plan are still under design.

Monitoring: Has any monitoring mechanism for implementation of SCR 1325 been established within your entity in the field?

Not applicable

If yes, please describe:

If not, please explain:

Sex and age disaggregated data: Is sex and age disaggregated data collected on a routine basis?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

If not, please explain:

Activities related to the action plan are still under design.

Reporting: Is information on gender issues and implementation of SCR1325 routinely included in official reporting?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

If not, please explain:

Capacity-Building

Training: Have any specific training programmes/modules/courses on SCR 1325 been developed as a special course/regular staff training/management/leadership or technical training?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

If not, please explain:

Activities related to the action plan are still under design.

What categories of staff are being trained? [Senior Management]

No

What categories of staff are being trained? [Professional Staff]

No

What categories of staff are being trained? [Technical Staff]

No

What categories of staff are being trained? [Uniformed personnel]

No

What categories of staff are being trained? [Support staff]

No

What categories of staff are being trained? [Other]

Tools and guidelines for implementation of SCR1325 Have specific tools, such as guidelines, checklists and/or instructions been developed to assist staff in implementing SCR 1325?

Don't know

What categories of staff? [Senior Management]

No

What categories of staff? [Professional Staff]

No

What categories of staff? [Technical Staff]

No

What categories of staff? [Uniformed personnel]

No

What categories of staff? [Support staff]

No

What categories of staff? [Other]

How are these tools used by staff at Headquarters? Describe briefly:

Have any specific challenges been encountered?

How are these tools used by staff in the field? Describe briefly:

Have any specific challenges been encountered?

Knowledge-management: Is there a system in place within your entity to collect and disseminate data and information on the implementation of SC1325, including good practice examples and lessons learned?

Don't know

If yes, please describe how information technology is used in that process.

If yes, please describe how such data and information are used to improve the work of your entity on the implementation of SCR 1325.

Resource Allocation

Financial Resources: Have adequate financial resources been allocated towards your entity's implementation of commitments under the action plan?

Don't know

If yes, please describe [differentiate between RB and XB]:

If not, please explain:

Regular Budget of US\$1,498,900 in total was allocated for the biennium 2004-2005. Regular budget allotment for the biennium 2006-2007 has not been made yet. Implementation of programme is fully dependent on extra budgetary resources.

Human resources: Has a gender unit/focal point/or focal points for follow-up been designated for Headquarters?

Don't know

Human resources: Has a gender unit/focal point/or focal points for follow-up been designated for the field?

Not applicable

If yes, please describe and specify level/s of staff:

In the early phase, one P-5 and one P-4 are assigned on part time basis.

If not, please explain:

How many other staff members are directly involved in implementation? Please indicate professional level.

Gender Balance: Have any specific initiatives been taken at Headquarters to achieve gender balance at all levels and all categories of staff?

Don't know

If yes, please describe:

Have any specific challenges been encountered?

Gender Balance: Have any specific initiatives been taken in the field to achieve gender balance at all levels and all categories of staff?

Not applicable

If yes, please describe:

Have any specific challenges been encountered?

What suggestions do you have for improving implementation of the system-wide action plan during 2006-2007? You may choose to provide information in the following categories, or other information according to your priorities. Please be brief.

Coherence and Coordination, including interagency coordination

In order to avoid unnecessary duplication and overlapping of activities among Agencies, a coordination mechanism needs to be strengthened, in particular, at the regional level. Contrary to the headquarters as well as national level, there is no such mechanism in the regional level.

Accountability

Results-based Management

Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting

Capacity-Building

Human and Financial Resource Allocation

Gender Balance

Other:

If your entity could do only two things to improve its own implementation of the Action Plan, what do you think would be most useful?

Are there any other comments you would like to make?

Do you have any suggestions for improving this questionnaire for use in subsequent years?