

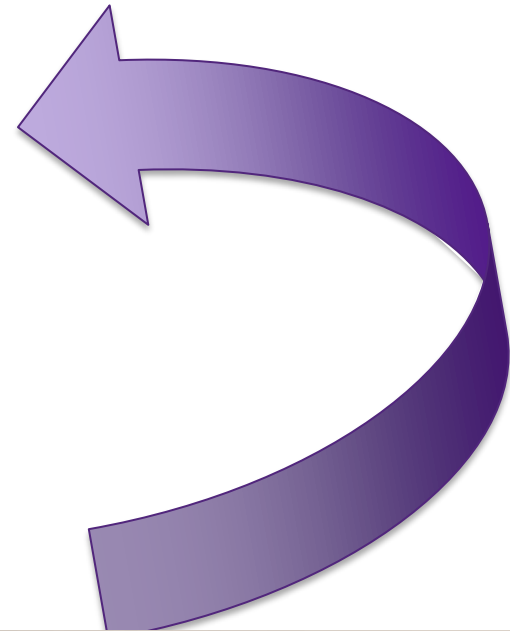
# Inequality: Encounter now for sustainable development

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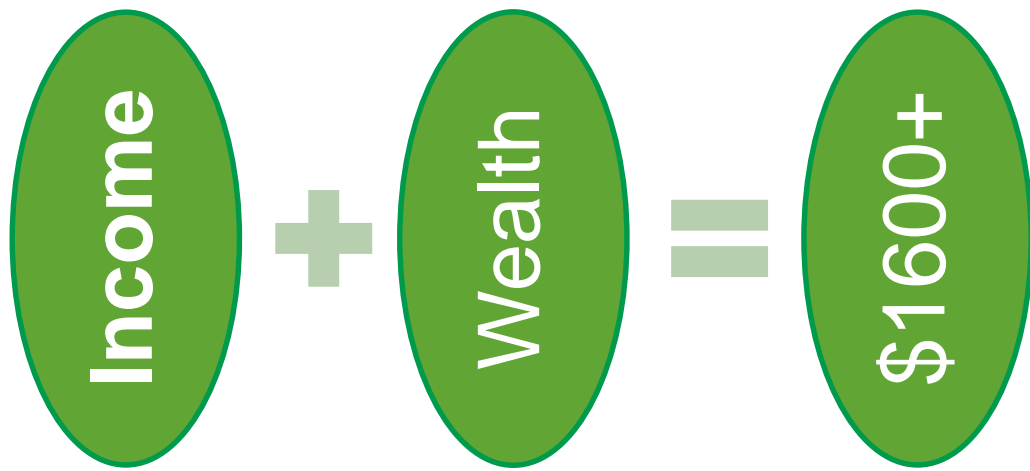


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# Proud of-

- GDP reach to 7.11% in 2016, it was 4.08% in 1994.
- Eradicate Extreme Poverty and Hunger,
- Progress in increasing equitable access in education
- Achieved gender parity in primary and secondary education.
- Steady improvement of women in social and political empowerment scenario
- Adopted National Policy for Women's Development (11)
- Under-five mortality rate from 151/1000 live birth in 1990 is now 41/1000 (2013)
- The Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) in 1990/91 was 574/100,000 live birth, now 170/100,000 (2013)





**Social Power, Religion, Education, Access, Occupation, Gender, Race, Ethnicity, Age and Region are also the factors which creates inequality.**

# Reality-

- Around 12% population under extreme poverty
- In char and slum majority % of delivery happened at home – risk of Maternal Mortality
- Education supports not adequate, also questionable
- Rate of child marriage very high, therefore big workforce out of 'Productive Work'.
- Lower wages for women – lack of market based skill
- Lack of job placement/deployment with decent works
- Insignificant power while engaging with forward market
- Increased workload of women, unpaid care work burden
- Men's participation not visible in WEE initiatives
- Women lack control over income/resource ownership
- Social challenges including restrictions on access and mobility due to social, gender and economic identity.
- 80 percent women experience violence in lifetime

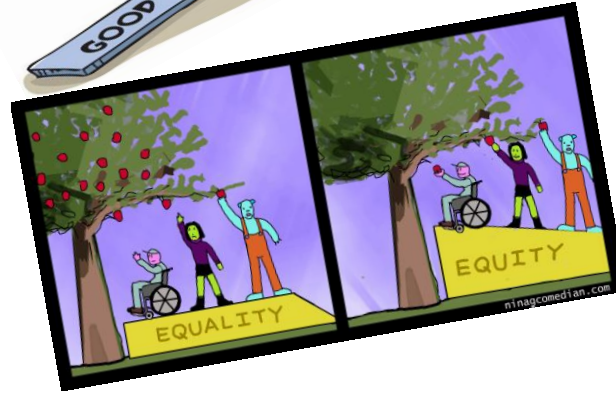
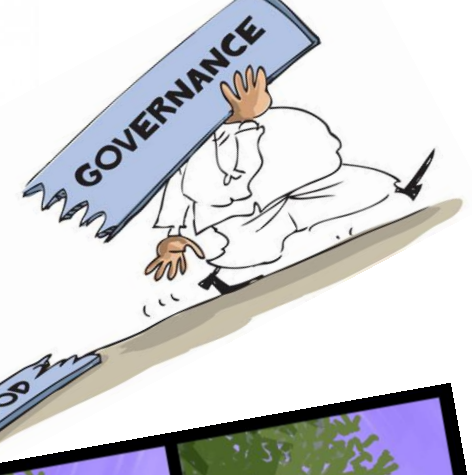


# Some of critical thinking-

- The **market** is always right, and the role of governments should be minimized
- Business: maximize profits and returns to **shareholders** at all costs
- Individual wealth is **benevolent** and inequality is not relevant.
- **GDP** growth is the primary indicator of success
- Economic model is **gender-neutral**
- Consider our planet's resources are **limitless**



# What we are advocating FOR



# ACHIEVEMENTS

## ECONOMIC JUSTICE AND WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



**INCREASED INCOME**



**LINKAGES WITH THE MARKET AND DECISION MAKING STRUCTURES**



**INCREASED AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION IN MORE ADAPTIVE WAYS CONSIDERING MARKET DEMAND**



**INCREASED POWER AND SELF-CONFIDENCE OF WOMEN TO CHALLENGE INJUSTICES AND CLAIM RIGHTS**

## CLIMATE ACTION AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION



**DISASTER PREPAREDNESS**



**IMPROVED WASH SITUATION**

## ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP AND INFLUENCING



**ENHANCED LEADERSHIP**



**LINKED WITH ICT AND TECHNOLOGY FOR EMPOWERMENT**



**INCREASED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AWARENESS AND DECISION MAKING**



**ACCESS TO LOCAL RESOURCES AND SERVICES**



**INCREASED SOCIAL DIGNITY, ACCEPTANCE AND INFORMAL DECISION MAKING PROCESSES**



**COMMUNITY SOLIDARITY AND ACTION**





