



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2024

THEME:
INVEST IN WOMEN: ACCELERATE PROGRESS

FACTS AND FIGURE

Women represent more than half of the world's population ⁽¹⁾

1/2:

Women make 40% of the world's labour force ⁽¹⁾

40%

0.607

The average Women's Empowerment Index (WEI) score worldwide 2023 is 0.607, meaning that globally, women are only empowered to achieve 60% of their full potential ⁽²⁾

1.1 billion






Women have no access to financial services ⁽¹⁾

1%

According to the World Bank, women hold just 1% of the world's wealth ⁽¹⁾



WOMEN AND SUSTAINABILITY DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS) ⁽³⁾

SDG	WAYS TO EMPOWER WOMEN
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Provide training, loans and practical skills to empower poor women economically, give them a voice, strengthen social services and increase awareness of women's rights.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Support women's role in food security, as the cornerstones of food production and utilization.➤ Provide training for women farmers and access to information and technology, to help women can achieve significantly higher agricultural productivity.
	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Advances women's well-being and health by working with governments to improve the provision of health services for women and girls, including survivors of violence, and backing non-governmental partners in filling gaps.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Promote education – a core pre-requisite for gender equality and women's rights – through the revision of school curricula and policies to counteract gender discrimination, improving access to information technologies, and training for teachers, students and parents.
	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Support more women to get on ballots, attain political office and go to polls to vote.➤ Promote women's role and leadership in humanitarian action, including in conflict-prevention and efforts to ensure peace and security.

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