

**GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT ACTION PLAN  
SOLOMON ISLANDS  
1999-2002**

**A. Objectives**

1. In Bank operations in the Solomon Islands, the following gender and development objectives will be actively pursued:

- (i) to promote the equal participation of women in the economy, with particular attention to the productive sectors and skills development; and
- (ii) to encourage the active involvement of women in decision-making in the public and private sectors.

**B. Action Plan**

<b>Ongoing and Planned Bank Operations</b>	<b>Gender and Development Action Plan</b>
<b>A. Loans</b>	
1627-SOL    Public Sector Reform Program	Require monitoring of social impacts of reform program on gender disaggregated basis; encourage involvement of women in decision-making bodies and task forces.
(2000)    Population Policy and Services	Ensure regular consultation with women throughout project design and implementation in light of potential impacts; involve NGOs in consultations, especially those that have strong links to womens organizations and informal groups.
(2000)    Fisheries Management and Development	
(2001)    Provincial Government Capacity Building	
(2002)    Rural Infrastructure and Services  (including all PPTAs)	
<b>B. Technical Assistance</b>	
(2000-02)    Public Sector Reform	Require monitoring of social impacts of reform program on gender disaggregated basis; encourage involvement of women in decision-making bodies and task forces.
(2001)    Performance Oriented Management	
<b>C. Economic and Sector Work</b>	
Public Expenditure Review for Health Sector	Review will seek to correct underfunding of rural and preventive health programs which bear more severely on women than men.

Ongoing and Planned Bank Operations	Gender and Development Action Plan
<b>C. Economic and Sector Work (continued)</b>	
(2000) Economic Report	Update of 1997 report will seek to provide indicators of service delivery performance in the health and education sectors on a gender disaggregated basis; recommendations formulated to address gender bias in access to services and job/educational opportunities.
<b>D. Regional Technical Assistance (RETA)</b>	
Regional Assistance on GAD Issues	Provide assistance to Department of Women, Youth & Sports on gender and development programs.