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1. Abbreviations and Acronyms

APU	'Adolescent Potential Unleashed' (EAPRO Regional Headline)
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
CO	Country Office
COAR	Country Office Annual Report
CPD	Country Programme Development
CSE	Comprehensive Sexuality Education
CoP	Community of Practice
EAP	East Asia Pacific
EAPR	East Asia Pacific Region
EAPRO	East Asia Pacific Regional Office
GAP	Gender Action Plan
GBV	Gender-Based Violence
GFP	Gender Focal Point
GPR	Gender Programmatic Review
GRAH	Gender-Responsive Adolescent Health
HCD	Human-centered design
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
ICT4D	Information and Communication Technology For Development
MHH	Menstrual Health and Hygiene
RO	Regional Office
SGBV	Sexual Gender-Based Violence
SP	Unicef Strategic Plan 2018-2021
SRH	Sexual and Reproductive Health
VAC	Violence Against Children
VAW	Violence Against Women
WinS	Water, Sanitation, Hygiene in Schools
WASH	Water, Sanitation, Hygiene

2. Executive Summary

2018 was the first year of UNICEF's new Strategic Plan (SP) 2018-2021 and the start of the second phase of the Gender Action Plan (GAP). The GAP is UNICEF's roadmap for gender equality and an articulation of Gender in the Strategic Plan. It builds on the GAP 2014-2017, with a programmatic framework that defines a twin track for (i) the integration of gender equality outcomes across all SP Goal Areas, and (ii) specifies five 'targeted gender priorities' focused on empowering adolescent girls. These priorities include: ending child marriage, promoting gender-responsive adolescent health, advancing girls' secondary education, menstrual health and hygiene (MHH), and addressing gender-based violence (GBV) in emergencies.

Country offices in the East Asia Pacific region were familiarized with the GAP 2018-2021 by EAPRO Gender Section, through webinars, in-country presentations, sessions at regional network meetings, and via remote support. Continued GAP tailored support was provided in 2018 to all 14 COs in the region, across sectors and topic areas, to strengthen capacities and accelerate gender equality programming, with technical expertise, knowledge products, gender analysis and or capacity building initiatives. Specific in-country support was extended to Philippines, Myanmar, China, Pacific, Cambodia, and XX Country Offices. EAPRO Gender Section guided the implementation of and resource support for the Gender Programmatic Review (GPR) in Cambodia; delivered Gender training workshops to China CO, Pacific Multi-Country Office (MCO) and Philippines CO.

In 2018 EAPRO Gender Section also continued and completed a range of regional and multi-country initiatives, together with UN partner agencies, and other EAPRO Sections, to progress research and evidence generation for policy advocacy and gender-related programming in the following areas: (i) Review of Regional Gender Data and Situation Analysis for Girls in Asia Pacific: GENDER COUNTS; (ii) Gender-responsive Adolescent Health (GRAH) assessment in EAP; (iii) VAW-VAC intersections study with four country case studies in EAP; (iv) Understanding Patterns and Relationships between Teenage

Pregnancy, Child Marriage and Early Union in SoutheEast Asia and Mongolia, and (v) Digital Sexuality Education in Asia Pacific. EAPRO Gender also produced a suite of knowledge products, including a monthly e-newsletters on EAPRO Gender Highlights and Updates, and on Gender & Innovation initiatives and GenderTech portfolio development.

3. Strategic Context of 2018

Gender inequality and its impact on children and adolescents remains a concern in the EAP region. This region is rapidly developing, however the low- and middle-income countries of East Asia Pacific vary substantially in their levels of human development; countries with a lower level of development are generally at greater risk of gender inequality given that socioeconomic poverty disproportionally affect women and girls. Available data suggest that children and adolescents growing up in this region are exposed to high levels of household, institutional and societal gender inequality and entrenched gender norms. In all EAP countries there are fewer girls than there are boys.

Another manifestation of gender inequality and gender norms are the rates of teenage pregnancy and child marriage in the EAP region. Although in recent decades, adolescent birth rates have been declining globally, they have increased in the EAP region in the past two decades. The adolescent birth rate in Southeast Asia (47 births per 1000 females aged 15-19), is now higher than that of South Asia. It is difficult to determine what is driving these general increases in adolescent fertility, as they vary between countries, but they are likely linked in part to increasing sexual activity among young people combined with limited access to sexual and reproductive health information and services.

The rapid urbanization and migration has the potential to fragment social supports and may increase women's work burden, including domestic work and child care. The low levels of public expenditure on health across the region are likely to place stress on household resources to the disadvantage of women and girls.

4. Results in the Outcome Area

4.1. Strengthening Country Office Capacity to Deliver Gender Results across Programmes

At the beginning of the year 2018 all 14 EAP COs were provided with a thorough analysis and commentary of their previous years' gender achievements (COAR & RAM 2017 Gender Review) and gender dashboard performance from the VISION system, to assist the CO Gender Focal Points (GFPs) and Senior Management to track progress of gender in their programme and to build on concrete and practical recommendations for accelerating progress. This support has demonstrated results in terms of increased gender considerations in the CO section workplans and requests for Gender TA to improve gender performance.

EAPRO Gender has provided particular advisory services and in-country support to the two 2018 CDP countries, Philippines and Cambodia, to develop their CPDs in alignment with the GAP 2018-2021 and to meet UNICEF Gender benchmarks. Cambodia CO was also supported in conducting a fully-fledged Gender Programmatic Review (GPR), facilitated and funded through EAPRO Gender and Australia NatCom. The findings of the GPR are now shaping Cambodia' workplans and targets for gender results during the CPD cycle. The Cambodia GPR process and report now also serve as a best practice example across the region, and Laos, Malaysia, Indonesia and Vietnam are planning to implement a GPR process in 2019.

Other tailored in-country gender support included China, Myanmar, Pacific Islands, and Thailand. Based on the EAPRO Gender Advisor mission and participatory assessment of gender integration in the country programme in June 2018, China CO is now the first CO in the region to have developed a costed GAP implementation plan for their country programme. The tailored support to China also led to the development of a China CO Gender & Marketing concept note, with the aim to address gender stereotyping in advertising. Pacific Multi-country CO very positively evaluated the tailored 2-day training in Gender Equality Programming, which was the first Unicef gender training for the CO team. Entry points for strengthening Gender were identified with Section Chiefs and an agreement was reached on the Pacific GAP Targeted Priorities, the Pacific team will work to contribute to.

Gender coaching and capacity building was continued in 2018; all GFPs, but especially newly nominated EAP Gender Focal Points were offered onboarding and one-on-one coaching by EAPRO Gender Section. Four GFPs were supported to take the Global Unicef GenderPro GFP course (which EAPRO Gender helped develop and deliver), and received their formal credential in 2018. Tailored gender training sessions for all staff were delivered by EAPRO Gender Section to Philippines, Cambodia, China, Myanmar, and Pacific COs, as well as during regional sectoral network meetings. This included Emergency-related capacity building, such as delivering a targeted Gender/GBV session in WASHiE regional training.

EAPRO Gender also recruited for and established the LTA Gender Expert Roster for 2018-2020, for CO perusal and surge capacity on gender, to strengthen EAPR gender responsive programming. Upon technical assessment of applications, up to 25 Gender Experts were placed on the roster, with expertise in, but not limited to: gender in one or more sectoral programming area; gender reviews and analysis; gender research & analysis; programme and proposal development; developing gender results frameworks; capacity development; gender innovation; and or in communications and knowledge management.

4.2. Gender Knowledge Management and Information Dissemination

EAPRO gender knowledge products, for example monthly newsletters 'EAPRO Gender Updates and Highlights' are disseminated to more than 350 subscribers, in the region and beyond. According to the digital analytics, more than 45% of subscribers click links on topics of their interest, and/or provide written positive feedback on this regional Gender newsletter. In 2018, EAPRO Gender Section dedicated some newsletter editions to specific topics, for example:
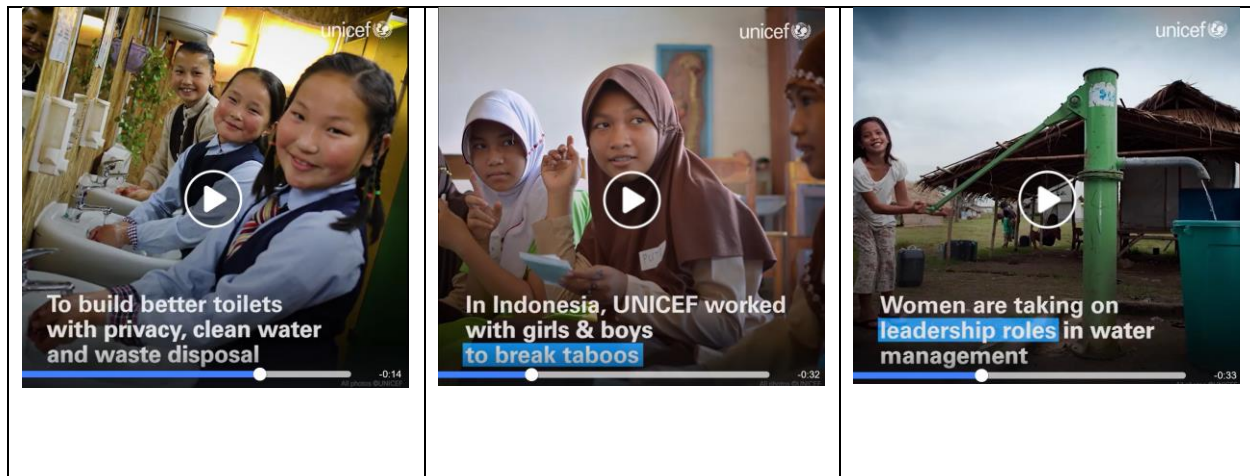
Mar 2018 –   Teenage Pregnancy and Child Marriage
Apr 2018 –   Gender in C4D and Edutainment
May 2018 –   Menstrual Health and Hygiene
Aug 2018 –   Gender in the Workplace
Sep 2018 –   Girls' Skills and Employability
Oct 2018 –   Gender & Innovation
Nov 2018 –   Gender-based Violence

The EAPRO produced 'promising practices' gender mainstreaming flyers (Mongolia, Indonesia, Vanuatu, Philippines, Vietnam, Myanmar, Pacific) continue to be in demand and disseminated widely. The Gender in WASH flyers were translated into short 30 second video clips in 2018:

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Indonesia https://www.facebook.com/unicefeap/videos/1674311802657347/
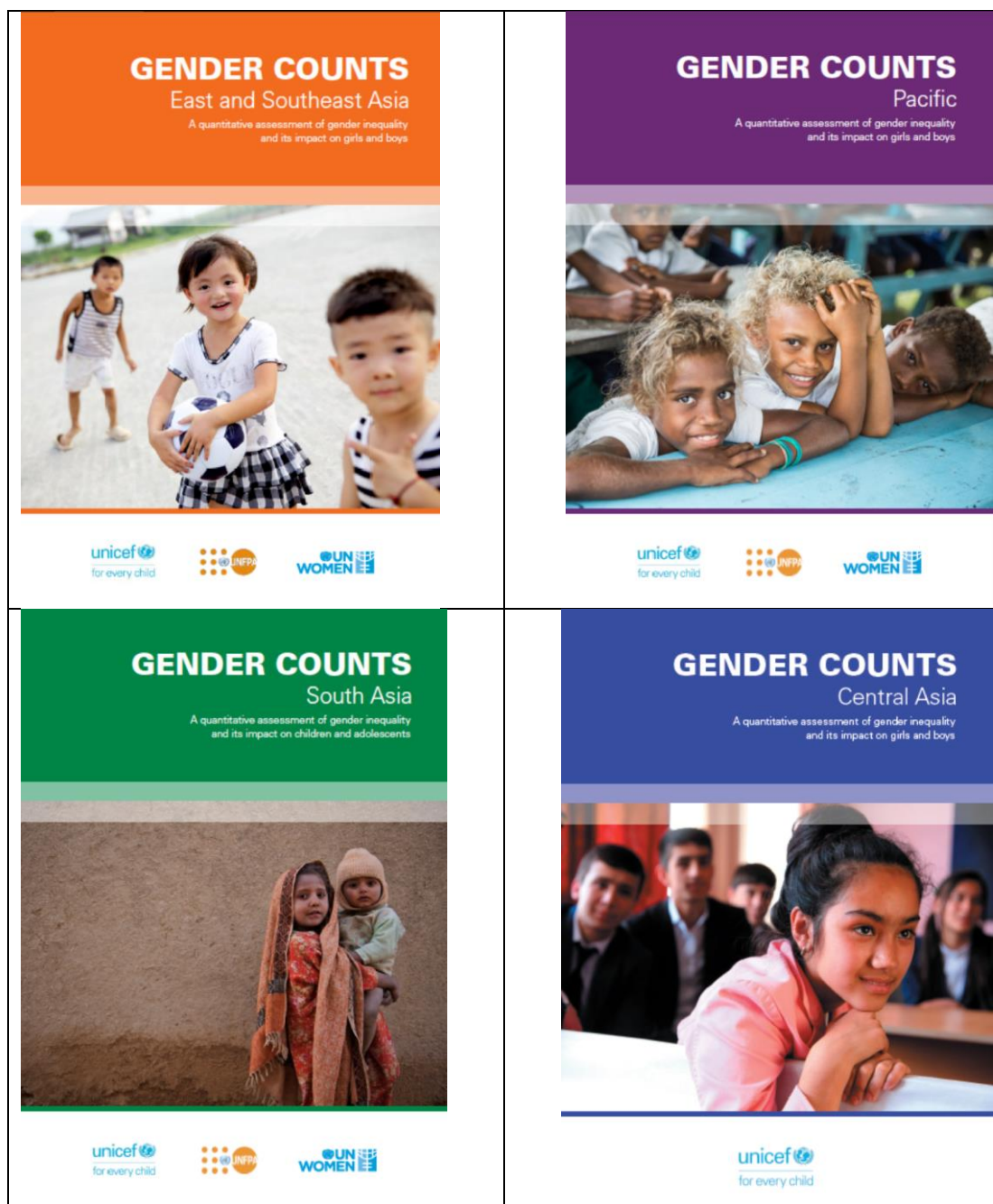Vanuatu https://www.facebook.com/unicefeap/videos/1678189525602908/

4.3. Development of Guidance & Tools

In 2018 EAPRO completed and disseminated the series of its seven '**Practitioners' Guide to Articulating Gender in Results and Reporting**', a separate practical guide for each sector, linked to SP Goal areas. The purpose of these documents is to make available user-friendly guidance on gender integration for planning and sector specialists, with illustrations of concrete gender articulation (incl implementation and monitoring examples) in existing programmes and results frameworks. The EAPRO Practitioner Guides were presented and tested at the Global Gender Network Meeting in May 2018, and revised based upon user feedback. A webinar was conducted by EAPRO Gender in June 2018, providing overall GAP guidance and EAP examples for articulating Gender in Results and Reporting.

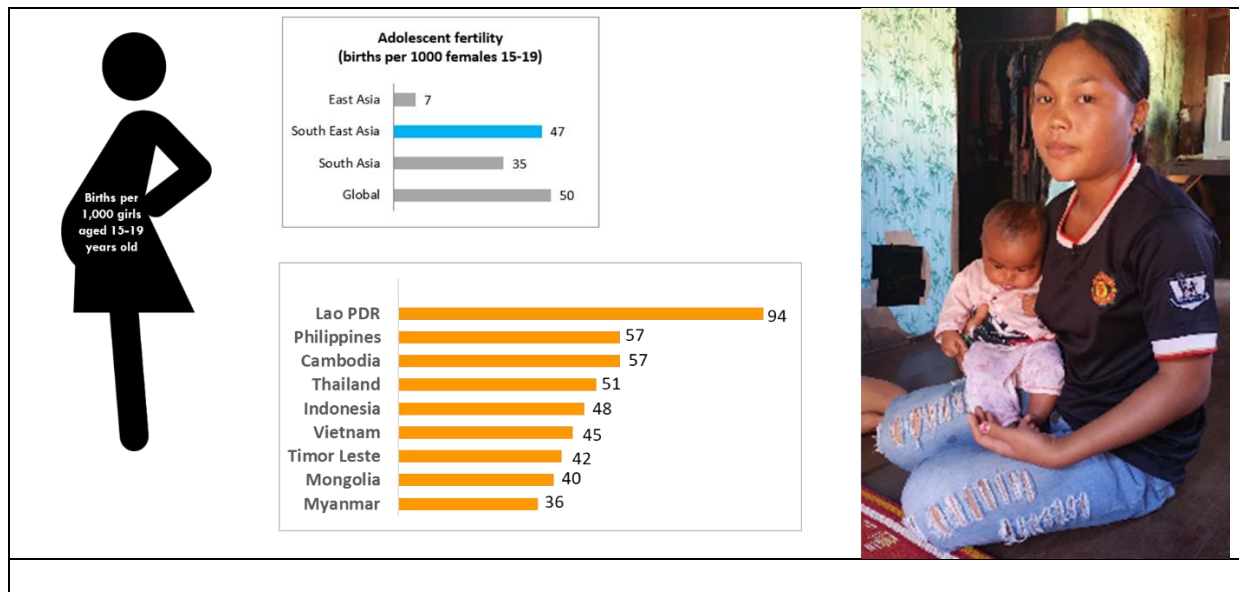## 4.4. Gender Data for Children

EAPRO Gender leads on a unique, and first of its kind, regional quantitative assessment of gender inequality and its impact on girls and boys in Asia Pacific. The four sub-regional reports (East Asia, South Asia, Central Asia, Pacific) were developed in 2018 to illustrate the evidence of gender disparities in child outcomes and how gender inequality manifests for girls and boys across the countries in Asia Pacific, based on a systematic indicator framework and available data.

GENDER COUNTS
East and Southeast Asia
A quantitative assessment of gender inequality
and its impact on girls and boys

GENDER COUNTS
Pacific
A quantitative assessment of gender inequality
and its impact on girls and boys

GENDER COUNTS
South Asia
A quantitative assessment of gender inequality
and its impact on children and adolescents

GENDER COUNTS
Central Asia
A quantitative assessment of gender inequality
and its impact on girls and boys

This Gender Data report development is not only a UNICEF cross-regional initiative, led by EAPRO on behalf of ROSA and ECARO, but also a partnership with the Asia Pacific regional offices of UNFPA, UN Women, UNDP, UNESCAP, WFP, FAO and PLAN International. ILO and UNESCO have also contributed to the indicator framework development and review of draft reports. The initiative is seen as a 'pathfinder' project and best practices example, for both Gender Data Analysis for Children and for Inter-agency collaboration, within the Asia Pacific RCM TWG-GEEW Gender Statistics Group.

4.5. Teenage Pregnancy, Child Marriage and Early Union

In light of concerning rates of adolescent pregnancy in the SEA region, in 2018 EAPRO Gender started, together with UNFP, an important initiative to better understand the interlinkages and patterns of teenage pregnancy, child marriage and early union in the region, to raise awareness and get it on to the agenda of governments and development partners. A Unicef-Unfpa background paper was commissioned which helped to conceptualize types of child marriage and interlinkages with adolescent sexuality and pregnancy (incl. consent and agency, pregnancy and gender norms) in the region, and to identify priority interventions.
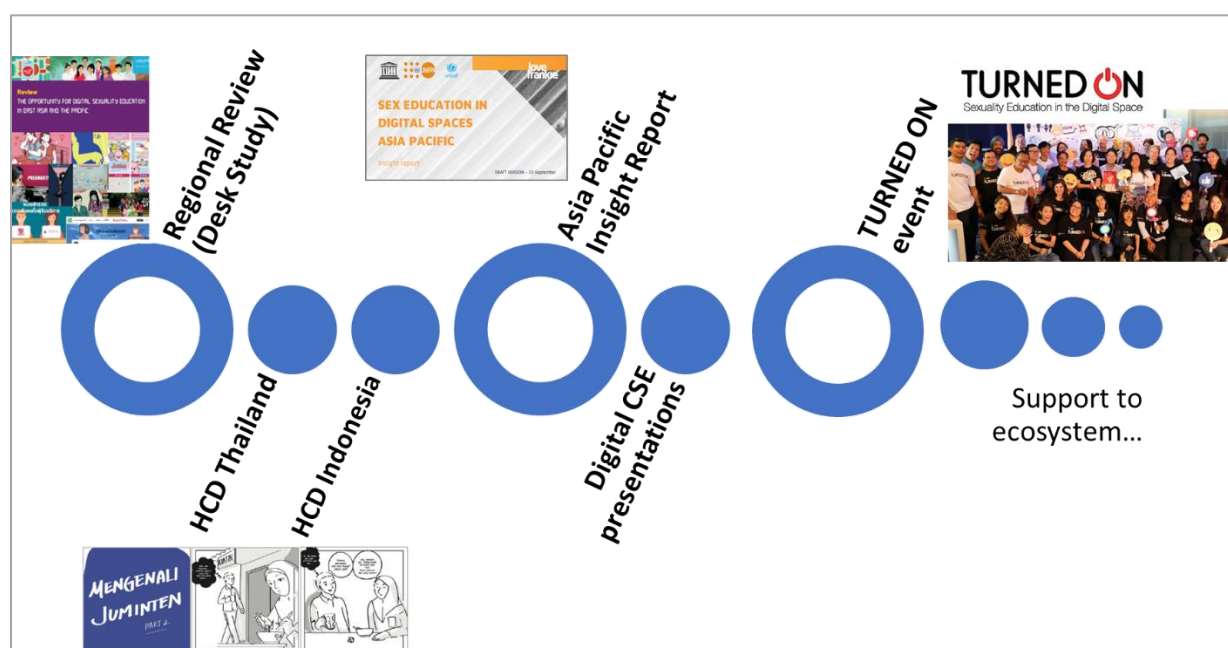

A large regional convening, organized by EAPRO Gender in partnership with UNFPA, UNESCO, PLAN and IPPF, brought government and civil society actors of eight countries together, to analyze the situation and discuss required policy and programme interventions, leading to a SEA 'Call to Action' to address adolescent pregnancy and child marriage in the region. This call and the findings of the research were subsequently presented by EAPRO Gender together with UNFPA APRO at the 2nd Global Meeting 'Girls Not Brides' in Malaysia June 2018, and helped targeted engagement of the UN with governments, eg. Malaysia, Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand, working to prevent and curb adolescent pregnancy rates. A joint Unicef EAPRO and Unfpa APRO Webinar on 'Adolescent Pregnancy, Child Marriage and Early Union' was conducted in November 2018 to share insights and developments on the issue across COs in the region and to gain further momentum.

The partnership on teenage pregnancy prevention and response is receiving multi-sectoral support in EAPRO, in particular from Health, Adolescent, Education Sections. Innovative research on the social drivers of teenage pregnancy is being planned as a next step, to capture adolescent girls' experiences and generate evidence and recommendations that guides effective policy and programmes addressing teenage pregnancy. ASEAN has expressed interest in support from UNICEF and partners to engage in dialogue on the issues and invited UNICEF EAPRO Gender to the 2019 ACWC event on Ending Child, Early and Forced Marriage.
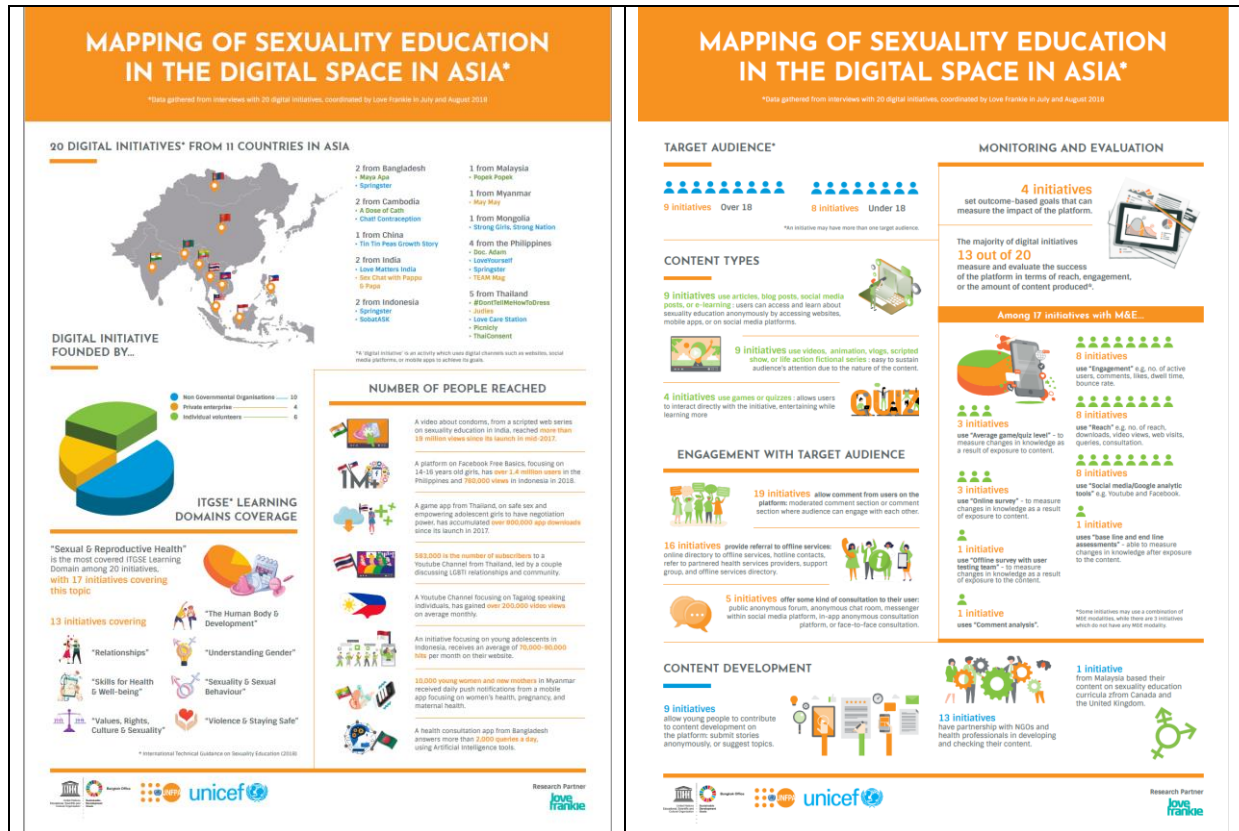
4.6. Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) in the digital space

Linked to the issue of teenage pregnancy and adolescent sexuality, are the lack of information to girls and boys on menstruation, puberty, sexuality and reproductive health. Comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) remains a cornerstone in improving sexual and reproductive health of adolescents. Considerable progress is being made in the EAP region to address gaps in sexuality education coverage and implementation, however there are still many potential barriers. Cultural and social norms, in particular, shape a discomfort to openly talk about sex and sexuality for many people, and deliver CSE in schools and through out-of-school programmes. Based on the importance of CSE (incl. embedding a strong rights-based and gender-focused approach) to address the relationship between sexuality, gender and power, EAPRO Gender continues to explore the opportunity of sexuality education in digital media, as there has been a rapid uptake in digital technology and internet access including by children throughout the EAP region.

Many young people are using digital media to search for information on health, sexual activity and relationships. While the source and credibility of information appears to be important to young people, little is known about what they find online and how it impacts them. To engage with youth on digital CSE, UNICEF EAPRO supported human-centered design (HCD) initiatives in 2018 with Indonesia and Thailand COs, aimed at developing ideas for digital solutions for sexuality education with and for adolescent girls and boys.

Building on the desk review in 2017, '*The Opportunity for Digital Sexuality Education in East Asia Pacific'*, EAPRO Gender partnered with UNESCO and UNFPA to expand the research. The resulting Asia Pacific Insight Report on Sex Education in Digital Spaces Asia Pacific maps more than 20 initiatives from 11 countries in Asia, some of them reaching millions of users with information on sexuality, relationships and reproductive health.

Based on the qualitative interviews, UNESCO-UNFPA-UNICEF-YouthLEAD-LoveFrankie organized a workshop in November 2018 to bring digital CSE content creators together from across Asia-Pacific, 'TURNED ON: Sexuality in the Digital Space' to foster exchange among the innovators and learn about the emerging digital CSE eco-system.

As a result of the 'TURNED ON' workshop, EAPRO Gender has commenced to facilitate a Community of Practice (CoP) among digital groups developing chatbots on CSE, SRH or MHH, for adolescent girls and boys to access conversational, quality, evidence-based information in their local languages and relevant to their realities.

4.7. Gender & Innovation

Innovation, as a means to speed up and scale achievement of gender results, is a central cross-cutting principle of the GAP, and increasingly being embraced by UNICEF offices in all regions to catalyze technological devices, financing mechanisms and other solutions to address the most stubborn gender challenges and harness promising opportunities. The seeding of innovation gender projects received a boost through the Gender Thematic Funds in 2018.

EAPRO Gender is at the forefront of breaking new grounds in this area, leading conversations, producing research, establishing partnerships (with supporting agencies and the digital groups themselves), conceptualizing and developing digital solutions, and providing TA/QA to COs exploring this field.

A key GirlTech initiative is the development of a Mobile Phone Period Tracker App with and for girls. In Indonesia and Mongolia, as pilot countries, EAPRO organized together with COs human-centered design processes with girls, to learn about their realities and requirements for co-creating digital solutions. The conceptualization of the period tracker app, envisioned for scale at global level, received support and funding from VentureFund, COs, WASH, RO and Gender.

During 2018, EAPRO Gender implemented a range of activities, together with Indonesia and Mongolia COs, and achieved the following results during the 'conceptualization' and 'ideation' phase of this technology project:

- Market and user desk research: evaluating the menstruation app market, regional mobile trends, particularly with regards to adolescent girls: the target audience, data privacy, security and gender-tech. (Reports available).
- Design of girl-centred user research and design process with HCD toolkits and guides for potential scaling in other countries. (Tools available)
- Implementation of human-centered design (HCD) workshops with more than 500 girls in Mongolia and Indonesia, to understand user needs, behaviours and app requirements, user personas and journeys. Documentation of girls' consultations and lessons learnt/adaptation of tools. (Reports available)
- App development and partnership options mapping & recommendations (including conversations with Planned Parenthood 'Spot On' App; GirlEffect-Springster; 'Drip' app; etc).
- Development of Period Tracker App Theory of Change (ToC) and Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) framework including indicator data collection (in-app and external data collection).
- Application for funding to and award from VentureFund; application for funding to Grand Challenge Canada, including 2-min video outlining period tracker app initiative. (video available)
- Poster presentation on girls' consultations and period tracker app development process for 7th MHM Virtual Conference. (Poster available)
- Collaboration for AI chatbot development process with a Brazilian software company, Ilhasoft, a partner of the VentureFund. Partnership with Girl Effect and their digital platform for girls 'Springster'. Agreement for NLP training of their existing chatbot 'Big Sis'
- Presentation at UNICEF GenderTech webinar, at a panel alongside OpenIdeo and Souktel, on 'Centering Women and Girls in Design Thinking' in November 2018.
- Participation in a roundtable conference, organized by GirlEffect, to discuss the new research and report about the gender digital divide: 'The Myths of Mobile Access' with other industry experts from the T4D, Mobile, Digital, Development, academic and donor fields.
- Development of a detailed TOR, including user requirements / master story list, for the software development of the period tracker app, drafted together with GIC, T4D, WASH and COs. Publication of RFP 9144700 and assessment of 13 bids by Gender, T4D and GIC.
- Contracting of software development company TherapyBox.

Mobile Phone Period Tracker App
Creating Digital Solutions for Menstrual Health and Hygiene with and for Girls
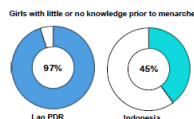
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Background

Outdated yet prevalent taboos still surround menstruation; millions of girls globally are shamed and penalized for having periods, and prevented from managing them with normalcy and dignity. **Inadequate information and lack of menstrual support impacts across girls' development outcomes:** girls' fertility, nutrition, physical and mental health, education, social and public participation suffer. The lack of reproductive health information increases girls' risk of STI and HIV transmission, and unwanted pregnancy, which is too often 'resolved' through child marriage in East Asia Pacific and other countries around the globe.

- 97% of girls in Lao PDR have little/no knowledge about menstruation before their 1st period.
- 75% of girls in Vanuatu, and 45% in Cambodia reported missing school due to menstruation.
- In the Philippines 80% of 15-19 year olds have their first sexual encounter unprotected.

Girls with little or no knowledge prior to menarche

97% Lao PDR

45% Indonesia

The majority of menstrual health education programs are paper-based or face-to-face, delivered by teachers with little or no training, resources or time. Government-provided menstruation information is often deprioritized or censored, limiting reach.

There is a significant gender gap in mobile usage – particularly for more transformational services
GSMA, 2017

While more and more girls have access to mobile phones in the region, the **digital gender divide** persists. Increasingly girls search online for information about personal and health issues, but it is difficult to find trustworthy, quality content developed for girls. The huge digital opportunity regionally is hindered by barriers to girls' online access such as cost, gatekeeping, digital literacy, and security.

Vision: Period Tracker App for Girls

Period tracker apps offer a solution, yet the 200+ existing apps are not tailored to girls. They are commercial, largely target Western adult women, focus on fertility, can be gender-stereotyping, may give unreliable cycle-predictions, and compromise data.

UNICEF proposes to deliver localized and age relevant menstruation and reproductive health information and individual cycle tracking into as many girls' hands as have access to mobiles.

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Unlike other mobile trackers, the girls' period app will be:
- Co-created with and for girls.
- Digitally inclusive: for low connectivity/mobile literacy.
- Age and culturally appropriate, localized, in national languages.
- Open source, with high data privacy and security.
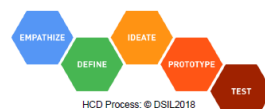- Responsible with cycle-predictions.

GOAL: Every girl manages her period with confidence and normalcy, and makes informed decisions about her reproductive health.

EXPECTED RESULTS:
➢ 80% users report better understanding of their menstrual cycle & managing their periods.
➢ 80% users report self-confidence, positive perceptions about menstruation and their bodies.
➢ 50% users report that they have made an informed decision after using the period tracker app.
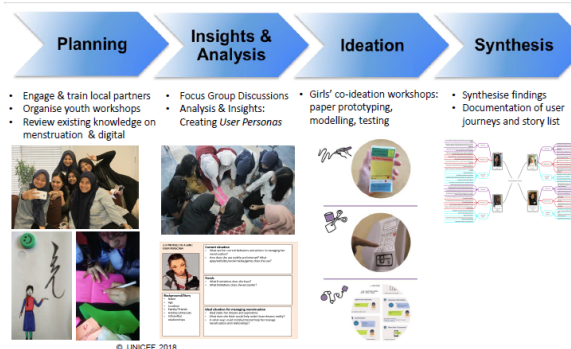
Progress to Date: Designing with Girls

User-centered design processes were carried out in pilot countries Indonesia and Mongolia:

- Partnerships were formed with girls networks and youth groups, schools, local government and NGO partners, and introduced to co-creation and design methodologies.
- 350 girls and their close social circles participated in design workshops; from urban, rural and diverse backgrounds.
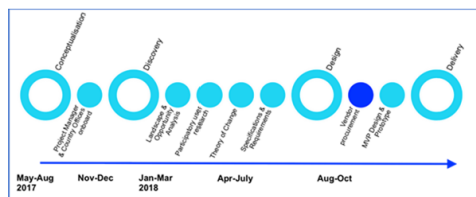- The co-creation process determines the app 'look and feel', technical specifications and features.

EMPATHIZE | IDEATE | DEFINE | PROTOTYPE | TEST
HCD Process: © DSIL2018

4 key stages of user-centered design process:

Planning	Insights & Analysis	Ideation	Synthesis
• Engage & train local partners • Organise youth workshops • Review existing knowledge on menstruation & digital	• Focus Group Discussions • Analysis & Insights: Creating *User Personas*	• Girls' co-ideation workshops: paper prototyping, modelling, testing	• Synthesise findings • Documentation of user journeys and story list

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Outlook: Delivery and Scaling

App delivery: Insights from the girl-centered design process are being translated into concrete technology requirements. Together with software technologists, the scope and priority features of the app are refined to build out a Minimum Viable Product (MVP). Next steps are: software development, testing of MVP, iteration, content curation, and delivery.

Scaling: The app design process was documented to support scaling, enabling countries around the globe to join the initiative and adapt the digital tool to their contexts. A 'How-To-Guide' is available for facilitating girl-centered design, and for localizing content and app features. Partnerships with girls' preferred digital platforms will be key to scaling and reach.

May-Aug 2017 | Nov-Dec | Jan-Mar 2018 | Apr-July | Aug-Oct

The EAPRO-led period tracker app development process has become a 'Pathfinder' project in various ways, by experimenting and doing things for the first time. Through documenting and sharing learning, processes, guidance and tools, lessons are being applied to other programme-specific technology development projects in UNICEF. This can be considered as an achievement in itself given the ever-growing need to adapt UNICEF's programmes and services in order to respond to an increasingly digital world and remain relevant in the use of technology by adolescents and young people.

In 2018 EAPRO Gender also supported youth-led development of digital products that help girls and boys learn about and navigate relationships and sensitive topics (eg. 'LifeHack' app in Mongolia).

4.8. Ending Violence Against Women and Girls

To deliver enhanced results for the **prevention of and response to violence against women (VAW) and violence against children (VAC)**, EAPRO Gender partnered with Child Protection, UNFPA and UN WOMEN to undertake a research study on VAW-VAC intersections. The aim of the initiative is to identify opportunities and challenges across existing policies and programmes that straddle both fields, to promote dialogue between VAW and VAC practitioners and policy-makers and to review evidence on 'what works' to achieve mutually reinforcing results across the fields of VAW and VAC and scope opportunities for greater collaboration, to accelerate achievement of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals on ending both forms of violence. The management of the study has been transferred to EAPRO Gender in July 2018. In-country deep dives and missions to interview key stakeholders and facilitate dialogue on VAW-VAC intersections were organized in Cambodia (March 2018), PNG (October 2018) and the Philippines (November 2018). The Vietnam in-country work is scheduled for March 2019 and the finalization of the study expected by mid-2019.

4.9. Gender in Humanitarian Action

EAPRO Gender Section is an active member of the Asia Pacific IASC Working Group on Gender in Humanitarian Action (GiHA). Within this collaboration, specific gender guidance and tools are developed and/or disseminated, for example, the Gender-and-Age-Marker, or Asia Pacific Best Practices Gender in Humanitarian Action.

In 2018 EAPRO Gender Section supported Indonesia CO during the Sulawesi Tsunami response with technical assistance and targeted gender and GBViE advisory services, in particular to the Gender Focal Point (GFP), Emergency and Child Protection sections. This included the review of the Emergency Plan from a Gender/GBV perspective; the provision of gender resources and tools to the teams, such as the GBViE resource package; advocacy for meeting the minimum requirements of a gender-responsive humanitarian assistance approach (eg. sex-disaggregated data of affected people; gender balance for remunerators; inclusion of women and girls in response planning; GBViE integration in all sectoral programming; etc). EAPRO also connected the Indonesia gender/emergency team to the regional IASC GiHA e-group members deploying to Palu, for gender experts and personnel to connect across agencies and synergize gender-responsive programming.

EAPRO Gender continues its targeted support to WASHiE and has again facilitated a Gender in WASHiE session, with a particular focus on MHMiE, at the annual regional training on WASH in Emergencies in November 2018. The gender session has again received very good feedback scores and improved participants' knowledge on designing and implementing gender in emergency response.

EAPRO Gender also ran a dedicated Gender in Emergency & DRR session during the Pacific Island CO Gender Training in September 2018, socializing the MHMiE toolkit and the GBViE Guidelines; and advocated for GBViE to be an explicit GAP Targeted Priority in the Myanmar Country Programme during the mission to Yangon (June 2018) in the debrief to Myanmar CO Senior Management.

5. Financial Analysis

Table 1: 2018 Planned budget by Thematic Sector
Thematic Sector 25 Equity chance in life
EAPRO
Planned and Funded for the Country Programme 2018 (in US Dollar)

Intermediate Results	Funding Type[1]	Planned Budget[2]
25 – Equity Chance in Life	RR	100,000.00
	ORR	63,056.76
Total Budget		**163,056.76**

[1] RR: Regular Resources, ORR: Other Resources - Regular *(add ORE: Other Resources - Emergency, if applicable)*
[2] Planned budget for ORR *(and ORE, if applicable)* does not include estimated recovery cost.

Table 2: Country-level Thematic contributions to thematic pool received in 2018
Thematic Pool 4: Gender Equity
Thematic Contributions Received for Thematic Pool 4 by UNICEF EAPRO in 2018
(in US Dollars)

Donors	Grant Number*	Contribution Amount	Programmable Amount
Australian committee for UNICEF	SC149908003	40,999	39,247.23
Australian Committee for UNICEF	SC189909002	40,000	23,809.53
Total		**80,999**	**63,056.76**

Table 3: Expenditures in the Thematic Sector
For thematic sectors belonging to a Goal Area with multiple thematic pools (Goal Area 1 and Goal Area 4) you should only include the results areas in the thematic sector covered by the report.

Thematic Sector 25 Equity chance in life
EAPRO
2018 Expenditures by Key-Results Areas (in US Dollars)

Organizational Targets	Expenditure Amount*			
	Other Resources - Emergency	Other Resources - Regular	Regular Resources	All Programme Accounts
25-01 Child poverty/Public finance for children	4,602	196,991	36,991	238,584
25-02 Social Protection	1,478	79,539	606	81,623
25-03 Adolescent empowerment	16,318	227,648	34,177	278,143
25-04 Gender discriminatory roles and practices	1,868	39,399	1,821	43,088
Total	**24,266**	**543,577**	**73,595**	

Table 4: Thematic expenses by Results Area

Fund Category	All Programme Accounts
Year	2018
Business Area	EAPRO, Thailand - 420R
Prorated Goal Area	25 Equitable Chance in Life
Donor Class Level2	Thematic

Row Labels	Expense
Other Resources - Emergency	17,685
25-01 Child Poverty / Public finance for children	3,354
25-02 Social Protection	1,077
25-03 Adolescent empowerment	11,893
25-04 Gender discriminatory roles and practices	1,362
Other Resources - Regular	497,186
25-01 Child Poverty / Public finance for children	195,534
25-02 Social Protection	79,071
25-03 Adolescent empowerment	222,481
25-04 Gender discriminatory roles and practices	100
Grand Total	**514,871**

Table 5: Expenses by Specific Intervention Codes

Fund Category	All Programme Accounts
Year	2018
Business Area	EAPRO, Thailand - 420R
Prorated Goal Area	25 Equitable Chance in Life

Row Labels	Expense
25-01-06 PF4C: Improving public expenditure effectiveness / efficiency	8,268
25-01-99 Technical assistance - Child poverty	54,023
25-02-99 Technical assistance - Social protection	20,013
25-03-01 System strengthening for adolescent participation and civicengagement (including in humanitarian settings)	2,468
25-03-05 Adolescent participation data/research/evaluation evidence generation, synthesis, and use	4,922
25-03-99 Technical assistance - Adolescent empowerment	213,497
25-04-05 Gender programming - multisectoral	25,292
26-01-01 Country programme process (including UNDAF planning and CCA)	6,439
26-01-02 Programme reviews (Annual, UNDAF, MTR, etc.)	1,070
26-01-03 Humanitarian planning and review activities (HRP, RRP, UNICEF HAC)	18,311
26-02-06 Analysis of data	55,717
26-02-08 Programme monitoring	140,798
26-02-09 Field monitoring	1,056
26-05-02 Corporate, multi country, multi region and multi outcome evaluations	4,706
26-05-08 Corporate, multi country, multi region and multi outcome research	614
26-06-04 Leading advocate	6,140
26-06-08 Emergency preparedness (cross-sectoral)	12,024
26-06-12 Learning	5,939
26-07-01 Operations support to programme delivery	2,998
27-01-04 HQ and RO technical support to Goal Area 4 Safe and Clean Environment	23,143
27-01-06 HQ and RO technical support to multiple Goal Areas	8,177
27-01-07 HQ and RO technical support on gender	1,303
27-01-14 RO planning and quality assurance	19,615
28-07-02 Management and Operations support from RO	2,841
Unknown	2,066
Grand Total	**641,440**

Table 6: Planned budget for 2019

Thematic Pool Area 4 Gender Equity
EAPRO
Planned Budget and Available Resources for 2019

Intermediate Result	Funding Type	Planned Budget [1]	Funded Budget [1]	Shortfall [2]
	RR	100,000	100,000	-
	ORR	-	-	-
Sub-total Regular Resources		100,000	100,000	-
Sub-total Other Resources - Regular		-	-	-
Total for 2019		100,000	100,000	-

6. Future Work Plan

In 2019 EAPRO Gender Section will continue the work streams from 2018, strengthening CO and RO capacities for gender equality programming, particularly CPD and MTR countries, and will continue its particular focus on thought leadership on Teenage Pregnancy, Child Marriage and Early Union; support to the Digital Sexuality Education eco-system; Innovative Solutions to Gender Inequalities.

7. Expression of Thanks

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