

### Goal 3. Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women

| Target 4  |  |                   |                          |                   |                   |                          |                       |                   |                          |     |     |
|---|--|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----|-----|
| Eliminate gender disparity in primary and secondary education, preferably by 2005, and in all levels of education no later than 2015. |  |                   |                          |                   |                   |                          |                       |                   |                          |     |     |
| DMC   | 9. Ratio of Girls to Boys in Education Levels <sup>a</sup> |                   |                          |                   |                   |                          |                       |                   |                          |     |     |
|   | Primary  |                   |                          | Secondary         |                   |                          | Tertiary <sup>c</sup> |                   |                          |     |     |
|   | 1990   | 2000              | Latest Year <sup>b</sup> | 1990              | 2000              | Latest Year <sup>b</sup> | 1990                  | 2000              | Latest Year <sup>b</sup> |     |     |
| <b>East Asia</b>  |  |                   |                          |                   |                   |                          |                       |                   |                          |     |     |
| China, People's Rep. of   | 0.93   | 1.01              | 1.00 (2002)              | 0.75              | 0.96              | 0.97 (2002)              | 0.52                  | ...               | 0.84 (2002)              |     |     |
| Hong Kong, China  | 1.01   | 1.00              | 0.99 (2002)              | 1.05              | 1.00              | 1.02 (2002)              | ...                   | 0.98              | 0.99 (2001)              |     |     |
| Korea, Rep. of  | 1.01   | 1.00              | 0.99 (2003)              | 0.97              | 1.00              | 1.00 (2003)              | 0.49                  | 0.59              | 0.61 (2002)              |     |     |
| Mongolia  | 1.02   | 1.04              | 1.02 (2002)              | 1.14              | 1.22              | 1.16 (2002)              | 1.88                  | 1.74              | 1.69 (2002)              |     |     |
| Taipei, China   | ...  | ...               | ...                      | ...               | ...               | ...                      | ...                   | ...               | ...                      | ... | ... |
| <b>Southeast Asia</b>   |  |                   |                          |                   |                   |                          |                       |                   |                          |     |     |
| Cambodia  | 0.81   | 0.88              | 0.90 (2002)              | 0.43              | 0.56              | 0.64 (2002)              | ...                   | 0.37              | 0.40 (2002)              |     |     |
| Indonesia   | 0.98   | 0.98              | 0.98 (2002)              | 0.83              | 0.98              | 0.99 (2002)              | ...                   | 0.76              | 0.80 (2002)              |     |     |
| Lao PDR   | 0.79   | 0.86              | 0.87 (2002)              | 0.62              | 0.72              | 0.74 (2002)              | ...                   | 0.59              | 0.57 (2002)              |     |     |
| Malaysia  | 1.00   | 1.00              | 1.00 (2002)              | 1.07              | 1.11              | 1.11 (2002)              | 0.89                  | 1.09              | 1.28 (2002)              |     |     |
| Myanmar   | 0.95   | 0.99              | 1.01 (2002)              | 0.98              | 0.95              | 0.94 (2002)              | ...                   | 1.75              | ...                      |     |     |
| Philippines   | 0.99   | 1.00              | 0.99 (2002)              | 1.04              | 1.10              | 1.10 (2002)              | 1.42                  | 1.26 <sup>e</sup> | 1.28 (2002)              |     |     |
| Singapore   | 0.97   | ...               | ...                      | 0.93              | ...               | ...                      | 0.68                  | ...               | ...                      |     |     |
| Thailand  | 0.96   | 0.96              | 0.96 (2003)              | 0.94              | 0.95              | 1.00 (2003)              | ...                   | 1.12              | 1.17 (2003)              |     |     |
| Viet Nam  | 0.93   | 0.94              | 0.93 (2002)              | 0.91              | 0.91              | 0.93 (2002)              | ...                   | 0.74              | 0.76 (2002)              |     |     |
| <b>South Asia</b>   |  |                   |                          |                   |                   |                          |                       |                   |                          |     |     |
| Afghanistan   | 0.55   | ...               | 0.52 (2002)              | 0.52              | ...               | ...                      | 0.48                  | ...               | ...                      |     |     |
| Bangladesh  | 0.86   | 1.01              | 1.04 (2002)              | 0.52              | 1.05              | 1.12 (2002)              | 0.20                  | 0.54              | 0.50 (2002)              |     |     |
| Bhutan  | 0.76   | ...               | ...                      | ...               | ...               | ...                      | ...                   | ...               | ...                      |     |     |
| India   | 0.76   | 0.83              | 0.94 (2002)              | 0.60              | 0.71              | 0.80 (2002)              | 0.54                  | 0.68              | 0.68 (2002)              |     |     |
| Maldives  | 0.97   | 1.00              | 0.98 (2002)              | 1.02              | 1.08              | 1.15 (2002)              | ...                   | ...               | ...                      |     |     |
| Nepal   | 0.61   | 0.85              | 0.89 (2002)              | 0.44              | 0.73              | 0.78 (2002)              | 0.32                  | 0.28              | 0.34 (2002)              |     |     |
| Pakistan  | ...  | 0.74              | 0.71 (2002)              | 0.48              | 0.66              | 0.71 (2002)              | 0.58                  | ...               | 0.81 (2002)              |     |     |
| Sri Lanka   | 0.96   | 0.97 <sup>e</sup> | 0.99 (2003)              | 1.09              | ...               | 1.06 (2003)              | 0.68                  | ...               | ...                      |     |     |
| <b>Central Asia</b>   |  |                   |                          |                   |                   |                          |                       |                   |                          |     |     |
| Azerbaijan  | 0.99   | 0.98              | 0.97 (2002)              | 1.01              | 0.97              | 0.96 (2002)              | 0.64                  | 0.68              | 0.78 (2002)              |     |     |
| Kazakhstan  | 0.99   | 0.99              | 0.99 (2002)              | 1.04              | 0.98              | 1.00 (2002)              | ...                   | 1.18              | 1.31 (2002)              |     |     |
| Kyrgyz Republic   | 1.00   | 0.97              | 0.97 (2002)              | 1.02              | 1.00              | 1.01 (2002)              | ...                   | 1.04              | 1.19 (2002)              |     |     |
| Tajikistan  | 0.98   | 0.93              | 0.95 (2002)              | ...               | 0.83              | 0.83 (2002)              | 0.61                  | 0.32              | 0.34 (2002)              |     |     |
| Turkmenistan  | ...  | ...               | ...                      | ...               | ...               | ...                      | ...                   | ...               | ...                      |     |     |
| Uzbekistan  | 0.98   | 0.99 <sup>f</sup> | 0.99 (2002)              | 0.91              | 0.97 <sup>f</sup> | 0.97 (2002)              | ...                   | 0.80 <sup>f</sup> | 0.80 (2002)              |     |     |
| <b>Pacific DMCS</b>   |  |                   |                          |                   |                   |                          |                       |                   |                          |     |     |
| Cook Islands  | 0.98   | ...               | 0.89 (2003)              | 1.12              | ...               | 0.94 (2003)              | 0.86                  | ...               | 1.00 (2001)              |     |     |
| Fiji Islands  | 1.00   | 0.98              | 1.00 (2001)              | ...               | 1.09              | 1.07 (2001)              | 0.80                  | 1.00              | ...                      |     |     |
| Kiribati  | ...  | 1.02 <sup>e</sup> | 1.16 (2002)              | ...               | ...               | 1.13 (2002)              | 1.20 <sup>i</sup>     | 1.00              | ...                      |     |     |
| Marshall Islands  | ...  | 0.94              | 0.93 (2001)              | ...               | ...               | 1.02 (2001)              | ...                   | 1.29              | 1.29 (2001)              |     |     |
| Micronesia, Fed. States of  | 0.92 <sup>d</sup>  | 0.98              | ...                      | 0.98 <sup>h</sup> | 1.04              | ...                      | 0.79 <sup>h</sup>     | 1.07              | ...                      |     |     |
| Nauru   | ...  | 1.04 <sup>e</sup> | ...                      | ...               | 1.06 <sup>e</sup> | ...                      | 0.60                  | 2.50              | ...                      |     |     |
| Palau   | ...  | 0.97 <sup>g</sup> | ...                      | ...               | 1.00              | ...                      | ...                   | 2.06              | 2.05 (2001)              |     |     |
| Papua New Guinea  | 0.86   | 0.90              | 0.88 (2002)              | 0.59              | 0.79              | 0.79 (2002)              | ...                   | 0.54 <sup>e</sup> | ...                      |     |     |
| Samoa   | 1.09   | 0.98              | 0.97 (2002)              | 1.22              | 1.12              | 1.10 (2002)              | 1.00                  | 0.90              | 0.90 (2001)              |     |     |
| Solomon Islands   | 0.86   | ...               | ...                      | 0.63              | ...               | ...                      | 0.30 <sup>i</sup>     | 0.30              | ...                      |     |     |
| Timor-Leste   | ...  | ...               | ...                      | ...               | ...               | ...                      | ...                   | ...               | 1.58 (2001)              |     |     |
| Tonga   | 0.96   | 0.96              | 0.97 (2002)              | 1.01              | 1.13              | 1.15 (2002)              | ...                   | 1.32              | 1.40 (2001)              |     |     |
| Tuvalu  | ...  | 0.96 <sup>e</sup> | 1.13 (2001)              | ...               | 0.88 <sup>e</sup> | 0.93 (2001)              | 0.37 <sup>j</sup>     | ...               | 0.92 (2002)              |     |     |
| Vanuatu   | 0.98   | 0.98              | 1.00 (2002)              | 0.79              | 1.18              | 1.08 (2002)              | 0.40 <sup>i</sup>     | 0.50 <sup>g</sup> | ...                      |     |     |

a The ratio is a gender parity index, measured as the ratio of female-to-male value of the gross enrollment ratios at primary, secondary, and tertiary level of education.

b Indicates the starting year of a school year, e.g., 2000 refers to school year 2000/2001.

c For Pacific DMCS—University of the South Pacific (USP) data (“in-country”, for USP Centres and satellite training) used for: Kiribati (1995), Nauru, and Solomon Islands. Cook Islands data are for scholarship students. Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) data are for college students studying in FSM. Palau figures from census. Tuvalu data are for all overseas training (includes scholarships and short-term courses attended by government employees). Vanuatu are for scholarship students only.

d Refers to 1992.

e Refers to 1998.

f Refers to 2001.

### Goal 3. Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women (Continued)

| DMC                        | Target 4 (Cont.)   |           |   |                   |                   |   |                 |                 |  |
|----------------------------|--|-----------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|--|
|                            | Eliminate gender disparity in primary and secondary education, preferably by 2005,<br>and in all levels of education no later than 2015. |           |   |                   |                   |   |                 |                 |  |
|                            | 10. Ratio of Literate Women to Men<br>of 15 to 24 Year-Olds  |           | 11. Share of Women in Wage Employment<br>in the Non-Agricultural Sector (%) |                   |                   | 12. Proportion of Seats Held by Women<br>in National Parliament (%) |                 |                 |  |
| DMC                        | 1990   | 2000-2004 | 1990  | 2000              | 2003              | 1990  | 2000            | 2005            |  |
| <b>East Asia</b>           |  |           |   |                   |                   |   |                 |                 |  |
| China, People's Rep. of    | 0.95   | 0.99      | 37.7  | 39.1              | 39.5              | 21  | 22              | 20              |  |
| Hong Kong, China           | 0.99   | ...       | 41.2  | 44.8              | 46.9              | ...   | ...             | ...             |  |
| Korea, Rep. of             | 1.00   | ...       | 38.1  | 40.1              | 41.2              | 2   | 4               | 13              |  |
| Mongolia                   | 1.00   | 1.01      | 47.5  | 48.5              | 49.4              | 25  | 8               | 7               |  |
| Taipei, China              | ...  | ...       | ...   | ...               | ...               | ...   | ...             | ...             |  |
| <b>Southeast Asia</b>      |  |           |   |                   |                   |   |                 |                 |  |
| Cambodia                   | 0.81   | 0.90      | 48.0  | 51.9              | 52.6              | ...   | 8               | 10              |  |
| Indonesia                  | 0.97   | 0.99      | 29.2  | 31.7              | 30.8              | 12  | 11 <sup>g</sup> | 11              |  |
| Lao PDR                    | 0.76   | 0.90      | 42.1  | ...               | ...               | 6   | 21              | 23              |  |
| Malaysia                   | 0.99   | 1.00      | 37.8  | 36.7              | 38.0              | 5   | 8 <sup>g</sup>  | 9               |  |
| Myanmar                    | 0.96   | 0.98      | 36.4  | ...               | ...               | ...   | ...             | ...             |  |
| Philippines                | 1.00   | 1.01      | 40.4  | 41.1              | 41.1              | 9   | 12              | 15              |  |
| Singapore                  | 1.00   | 1.00      | 42.5  | 45.7              | 47.8              | 5   | 4               | 16              |  |
| Thailand                   | 0.99   | 1.00      | 45.3  | 46.1              | 46.9              | 3   | 6               | 9               |  |
| Viet Nam                   | 0.99   | ...       | 45.2  | 50.7              | 51.8              | 18  | 26              | 27              |  |
| <b>South Asia</b>          |  |           |   |                   |                   |   |                 |                 |  |
| Afghanistan                | ...  | ...       | 17.8  | ...               | ...               | 4   | ...             | ...             |  |
| Bangladesh                 | 0.65   | 0.71      | 17.6  | 22.9              | 24.2              | 10  | 9               | 2               |  |
| Bhutan                     | ...  | ...       | 12.0  | ...               | ...               | 2   | 2               | 9               |  |
| India                      | 0.74   | ...       | 12.7  | 16.6              | 17.5              | 5   | 9               | 8               |  |
| Maldives                   | 1.00   | 1.00      | 31.1  | 36.7              | 36.1              | 6   | 6 <sup>g</sup>  | 6               |  |
| Nepal                      | 0.41   | 0.75      | 11.8  | ...               | ...               | 6   | 6               | 6               |  |
| Pakistan                   | 0.49   | 0.64      | 6.6   | 7.4               | 8.7               | 10  | 2 <sup>g</sup>  | 21              |  |
| Sri Lanka                  | 0.98   | 1.00      | 39.1  | 46.0              | 43.2              | 5   | 5               | 5               |  |
| <b>Central Asia</b>        |  |           |   |                   |                   |   |                 |                 |  |
| Azerbaijan                 | ...  | 1.00      | 33.7  | 43.6              | 48.5              | ...   | 12              | 11              |  |
| Kazakhstan                 | 1.00   | 1.00      | 50.3  | 48.8              | 48.7              | ...   | 10              | 10              |  |
| Kyrgyz Republic            | ...  | ...       | 47.7  | 44.4              | 44.1              | ...   | 1               | 10              |  |
| Tajikistan                 | 1.00   | 1.00      | 39.7  | 49.4              | 52.3              | ...   | 3               | 13              |  |
| Turkmenistan               | ...  | 1.00      | ...   | ...               | ...               | 26  | 26              | 26 <sup>f</sup> |  |
| Uzbekistan                 | 1.00   | 1.00      | 46.2  | 42.6              | 41.5              | ...   | 7               | 18              |  |
| <b>Pacific DMCs</b>        |  |           |   |                   |                   |   |                 |                 |  |
| Cook Islands               | ...  | ...       | 38.4  | 39.1              | 39.4              | 6 <sup>i</sup>  | 8 <sup>g</sup>  | ...             |  |
| Fiji Islands               | 1.00   | 1.00      | 29.9  | 34.4              | 35.9              | ...   | 11              | 9               |  |
| Kiribati                   | 1.01   | 1.01      | 34.0  | 38.0              | ...               | 0   | 5               | 5               |  |
| Marshall Islands           | ...  | ...       | ...   | 30.9 <sup>g</sup> | ...               | ...   | 3 <sup>f</sup>  | 3               |  |
| Micronesia, Fed. States of | 0.96 <sup>h</sup>  | 0.97      | 34.0 <sup>h</sup>   | 34.0              | ...               | ...   | 0               | 0               |  |
| Nauru                      | ...  | ...       | ...   | ...               | ...               | 6   | 0               | 0               |  |
| Palau                      | 1.00   | 1.00      | 39.0  | 40.0              | ...               | ...   | 0               | 0               |  |
| Papua New Guinea           | 0.84   | ...       | 20.3  | 32.1              | 35.4              | 0   | 2               | 1               |  |
| Samoa                      | 1.00   | 1.00      | 31.0 <sup>j</sup>   | 43.0 <sup>f</sup> | ...               | 0   | 8               | 6               |  |
| Solomon Islands            | ...  | ...       | 30.8  | ...               | ...               | 0   | 2               | 0               |  |
| Timor-Leste                | ...  | ...       | 19.0  | ...               | ...               | ...   | ...             | 25              |  |
| Tonga                      | ...  | 1.00      | 36.0 <sup>k</sup>   | ...               | ...               | 0   | ...             | 0               |  |
| Tuvalu                     | 0.96 <sup>j</sup>  | 1.00      | 38.0 <sup>j</sup>   | ...               | 44.0 <sup>m</sup> | 8   | 0               | 0               |  |
| Vanuatu                    | ...  | ...       | 38.0 <sup>l</sup>   | 44.0 <sup>g</sup> | ...               | 4   | 0               | 4               |  |

<sup>g</sup> Refers to 1999.<sup>h</sup> Refers to 1994.<sup>i</sup> Refers to 1995.<sup>j</sup> Refers to 1991.<sup>k</sup> Refers to 1996.<sup>l</sup> Refers to 1989.<sup>m</sup> Refers to 2002.

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