INTRODUCTION

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Exercise 1

Q: What gender stereotypes, norms and roles do you find in your society?

Exercise 2

Q: What are the work/jobs that are predominantly done by women or men in your society?

Summary of the session:
Gender as a Social Construct

- Numerous factors have shaped the gender stereotypes, norms and roles
- The specific nature and degree of these gender differences vary from one society to another
- These expectations determines men’s and women’s access to:
  - rights (e.g., education, paid jobs)
  - resources (e.g., property, credit), and
  - power (e.g., political participation) in the society
- They typically favor men
- Gender norms change over time but these access is slow to change ➔ gender inequality sustains

Source: Floro’s presentation at APGEM 2010 Course

Summary of the session:
Gender and Work

- Production vs. Reproduction
- Public sphere vs. Domestic
- Paid vs. Unpaid work
- Segregation by Industry
- Occupational Segregation
  - (Horizontal/Vertical)
- Segregation by Emp. Status
- Formal vs. Informal (Casual) work
  - (Segregation by size of firms)
- New measurement of work - Time-use
- How to collect/use data in informal sector?

Figure 2.2 Fewer Women Than Men Participate in the Workforce: Labour Force Participation Rates of Women and Men (2007)

Source: UNDP (2010)

[Note: The image contains a bar chart and a table which are not transcribed here.]
## Gender, Work and Time Allocation

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<tr>
<th>Country</th>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Total Work Time (minutes per day)</th>
<th>Time allocation (%)</th>
<th>Time spent by Women</th>
<th>Time allocation (%)</th>
<th>Time spent by Men</th>
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<tr>
<td>India</td>
<td>2000</td>
<td>Women: 457, Men: 391</td>
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<td>Women: 35</td>
<td>65</td>
<td>Men: 30</td>
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<td>Japan</td>
<td>1996</td>
<td>Women: 393, Men: 363</td>
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Source: UNDP (2005) GHDR

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### Figure 2.4: More Men than Women are in Industry, But Not in the Services

Note: Bars represent differences between the percentage share of total female workers and total male workers engaged in agriculture, industry and services in 2007.

Source: Based on ILO 2009b.

### Figure 2.5: Gender Segmentation of the Informal Economy

Source: Cen et al., 2004.

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Introduction to Feminist Economics

Neo-classical Economics
- What are the key assumptions for its economic model?
- How does NC model explain gender div. of Labor?
- How does NC model define ‘skilled labor’?
- What are the research methods commonly used?
- What is the micro-macro linkage?

Heterodox Economics
- Keynesian Economics, Post-Keynesian Economics,
  Institutional Economics, Behavioral Economics etc…
- Marxist Economics:
  - What is a category of analysis?
  - How is the analysis different from neo-classical economics?
  - Feminist Critique

Feminist Critique
- Understanding Economies from a Gender Perspective
  - Business sector: agriculture, industry and services
  - Labor Services
  - Good and services and monetary flows
  - Source: Elson's presentation at APGEM 2010 course

Becker's Household Economic Model
- Applied NC’s model to analyze the family and household
- Q: How can this model explain the issues within the household such as gender gap in school attainment, nutrition, domestic violence?

Alternatives: Intra-HH Bargaining Models
- Cooperative bargaining model
- Non-cooperative bargaining model
- Mixed model
  - Intra-household bargaining model
  - Agarwal (1997) – what factors affect intra-HH bargaining? What about the bargaining at the market, community and the state?
Feminist Approach to Economic Analysis

- Gender as a central category of analysis (with other social relations – class, caste, ethnicity etc...) (gender inequality in access to rights, resources, power…, gender gap in wages)
- Views reproduction (not only production) as a central aspect of the analysis of provisioning of human needs
- Emphasis on people’s well-beings, not utility
- Looks at gender inequalities at macro, meso, and micro levels
- HHs, MKTs, States- conflict of interests, bargaining
- Interdisciplinary approach in research

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1. Trade Impacts on Gender relations (Fontana 2009)

1.1. Employment (mostly manufacturing)
- Strong relation between increased exports and increased female employment in manufacturing in the South, [e.g., Women work in EPZ], but → Standing (1989,1999): Global feminization through flexible labor in informal sectors (global VC)
- Labor standards, work conditions etc...
- Not all women benefit (e.g., single women preferred)
- De-feminization trends with technological advancement

1.1 Employment (Contd.)

Agriculture: More men than women tend to enjoy the benefits from increasing exports of agri. commodities. -Due to gender inequalities in access to credits, resources...
- Women’s work tend to increase (commercial/subsistence)
Forestry: Men gain from employment in logging while women may lose cashes from NTFPs (food security)
Mining: Men tend to gain from working in organized large mines, while women and men informal workers are unlikely to be better-off, women often shoulder environmental costs
Fishery: gender division of labor in commercial/subsistence, kinds of fishery

Gender wage gap

Q: Why women receive lower wages than men?

The residual gender wage gap is the portion of the gender wage gap that remains unexplained by differences in men’s and women’s productivity-related characteristics such as education and experience.
Analysis of the trade impact on gender wage gap often uses the residual gap.
1.2 Impact of trade on gender wage differentials

1.2.1 Trade liberalization narrows gender wage gap
[Becker’s theory of discrimination]

Black and Brainerd (2004): A case study of USA supports Becker’s argument

Kongar (2006): As low-wage women lost their jobs, the average wage of remaining women increased thereby narrowing the gender wage gap.

Berik et al (2004): A case study of Taiwan and S. Korea – an increase in trade actually increase gender wage gaps in countries where female workers may have lower bargaining power and where women are segregated into lower-paying, lower-status jobs.

Menon and Rogers (2006): A case study of India, supports the findings in Berik et al. (2004)

1.2 Trade impacts – other channels

- Consumption effects (e.g., via changes in tradable goods vs. domestic goods, due to changes in tariffs)
- Revenue effects: When a reduction in tariff rates leads to a reduction in government revenues, what government would do to offset the revenue loss?
  - Increase in revenue via VAT
  - Reduce in government expenditure
- Intra-HH dynamics (Time-allocation, decision making)

2. Gender inequalities affect trade

- Saguno (2000): Cross-country analysis of semi-industrial countries, 1975-95. Gender wage gap was a stimulus to growth via the effect on exports.

Cagatay (2001) *Trade, Gender and Poverty*

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