

# Women's Inclusion in Landscape Management

Regional Dialogue on Women's Inclusion in Landscape Management in  
Asia

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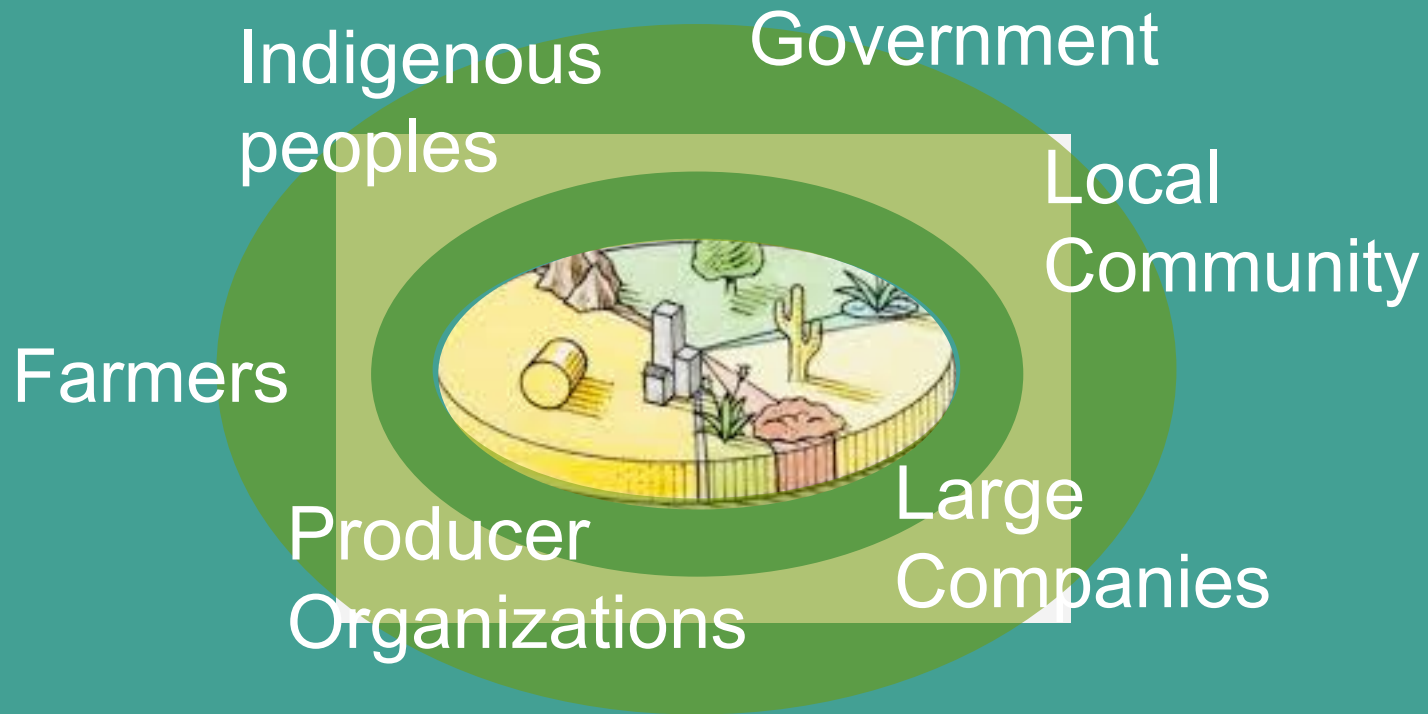
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# COMPETING USE OF LAND



Different objectives, rights, opportunities to influence  
Differences between men and women

# BUT THEY ALL FACE RISKS

ASSOCIATED WITH :

Degradation/depletion of natural resources

Negative impacts of climate change

Lack of efficient supply chains

Conflicts



# AVOID CONFLICTS & FACILITATE INCLUSIVE PROCESSES

Free Prior and Informed Consent principles;

Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests

MULTI-STAKEHOLDER'S PLATFORMS

→ The Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO)

# RESULTS & REMAINING CHALLENGES

- Improves understanding between stakeholders
- But requires wide and iterative participation of all key stakeholders
- Lack of information-sharing
- Lack of clarity on land rights-recognition of customary rights/absence of legal titles

# WOMEN'S EXCLUSION

Women's role, voice and economic empowerment has received little attention within these mechanisms and land-use management related sectors.



# WAYS OF EXCLUSION

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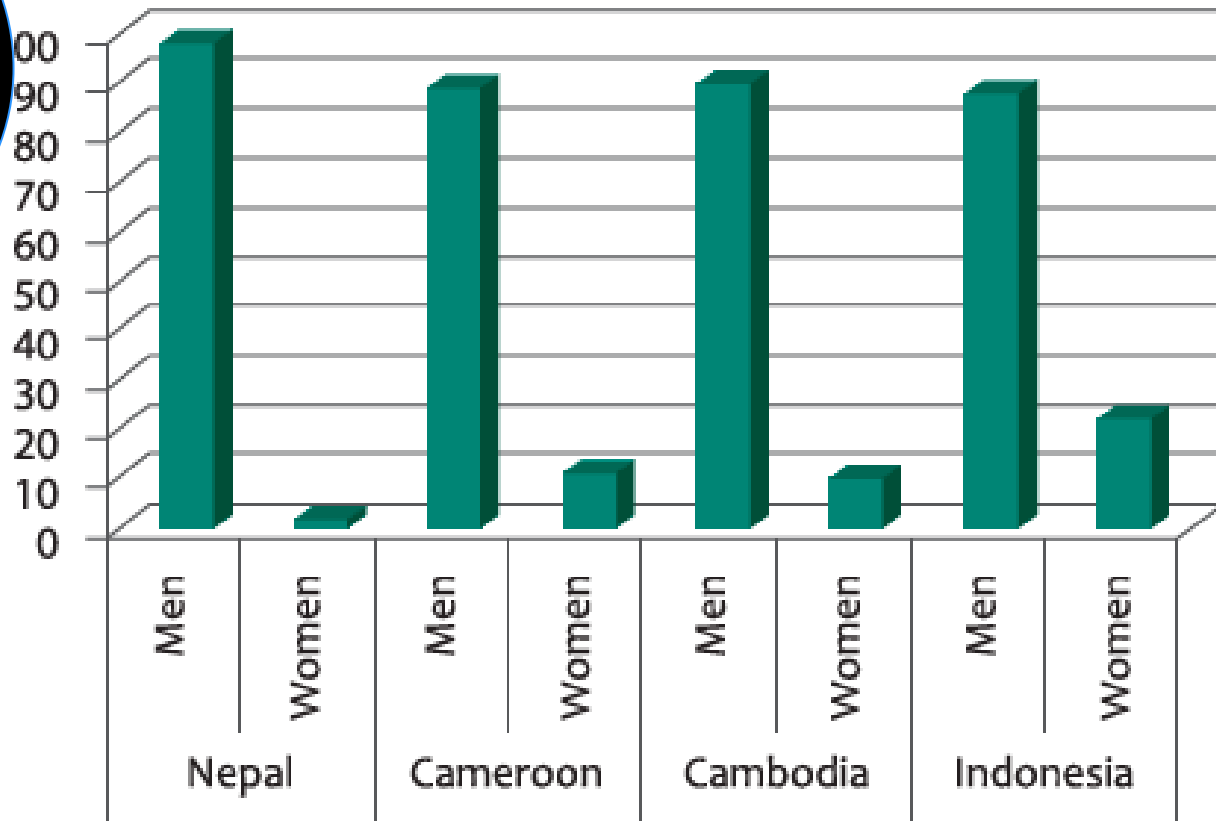
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RESOURCES





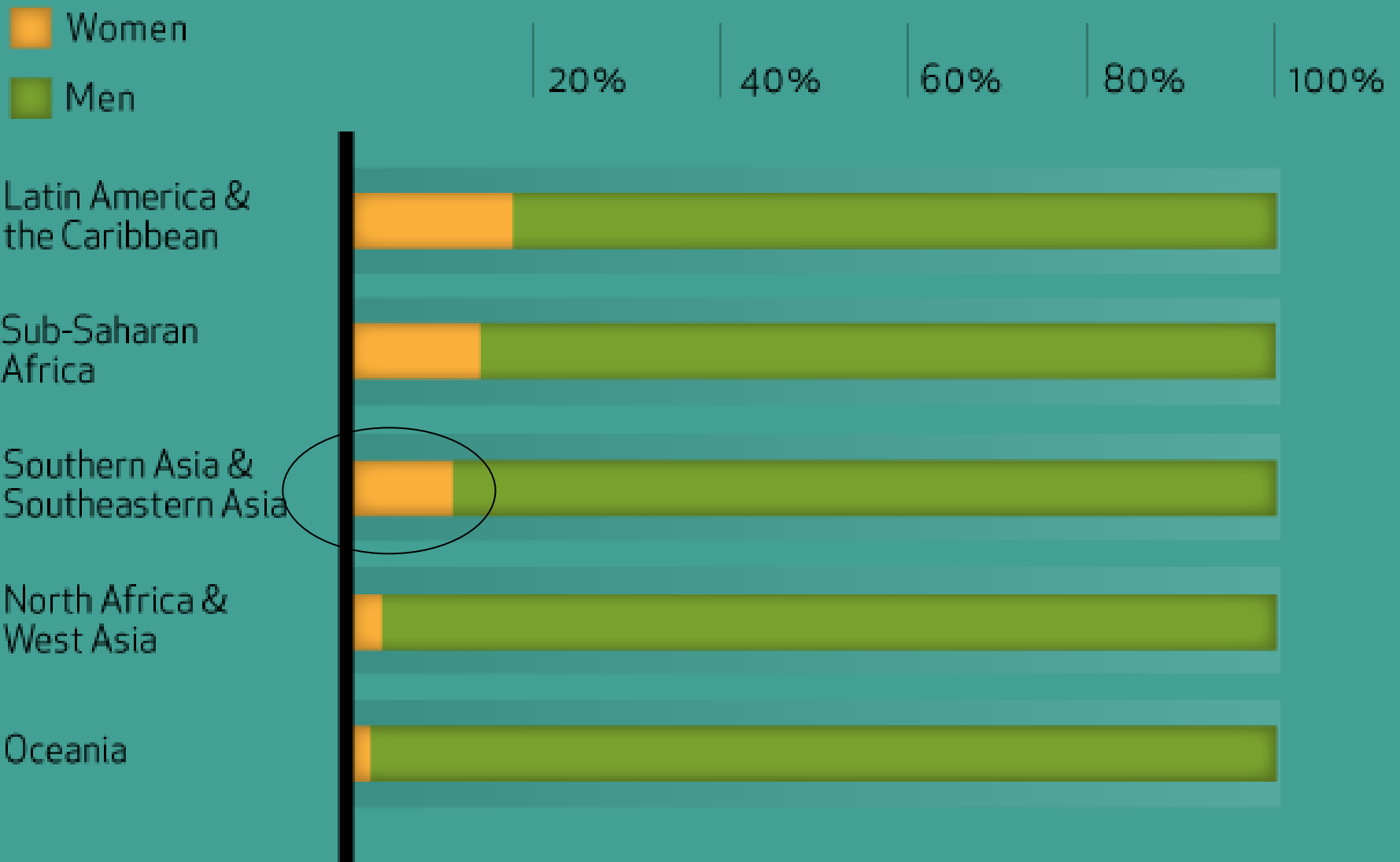
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% of women vs men officers in Forestry agency

# SHARE OF MALE & FEMALE AGRICULTURAL HOLDERS IN MAIN DEVELOPING REGIONS (%)

Source: FAO





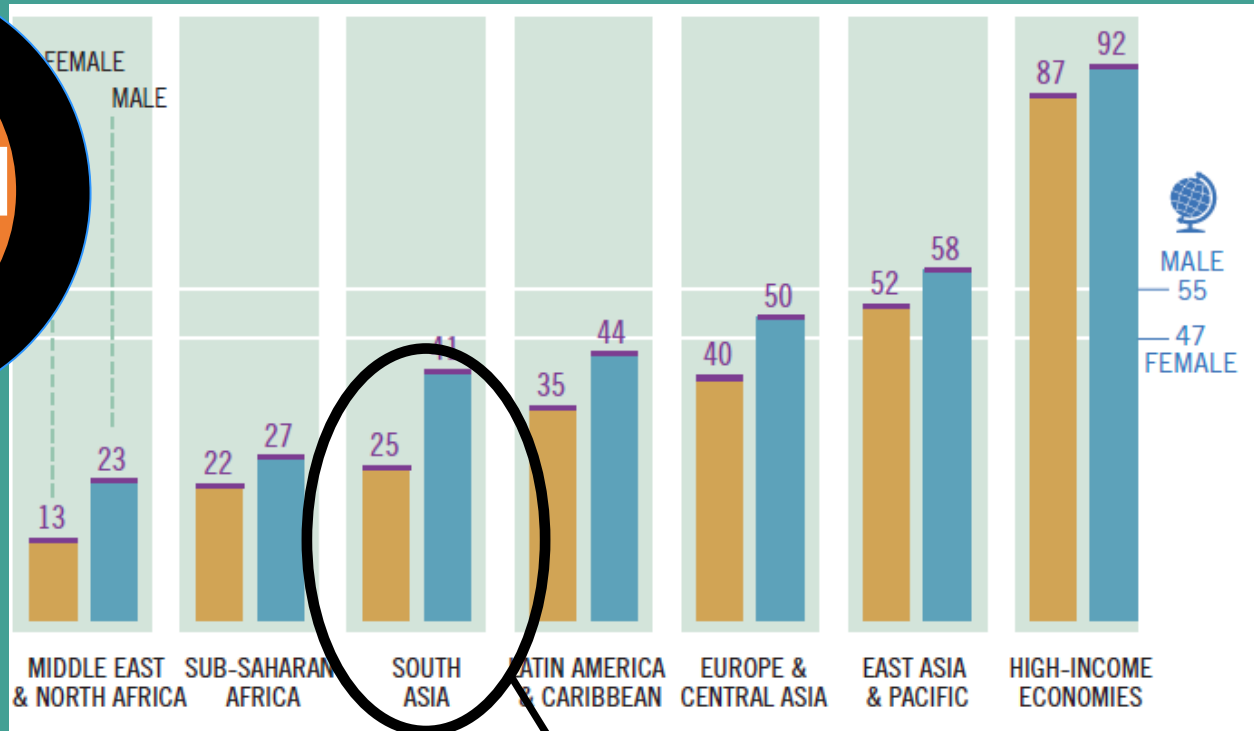
Female farmers receive only **5%** of all agricultural extension services from 97 countries

**Only 15%** of the world's extension agents are women



**Only 10%** of total aid for agriculture, forestry and fishing goes to women.

# FINANCE



## SOUTH ASIA

Have a formal account:



● MEN 41%

● WOMEN 25%

(The highest gender gap, relative to other regions)

# BENEFITS FROM INCLUDING WOMEN

150 Million fewer hungry people



Better solutions in land use, design of agro-forestry systems

20-30 % increase in yields  
Increase in GDP

# RECOMMENDATIONS

Things need to change

Increase women's voices (leadership, org.)

Increase women's access to land, finance, inputs, training (policies, targets, quotas...)

Quantify and economically value women's contributions to landscape management & rural economy





# INCENTIVES TO SUPPORT WOMEN-INCLUSIVE PRACTICES

**COMMUNITIES** Increase income & livelihoods  
Sustainable management of NR

**GOVERNMENTS** Food security & Poverty reduction  
More efficient & sustainable NRM

**PRIVATE SECTOR** Expand economic opportunities  
More productive & sustainable value  
chains

# RSPO in PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Company to collect loose fruits– Mama Lus Frut  
Employed women directly  
Separated pay between men and women  
About 29 % is paid directly into women's bank accounts



**CHANGE** Increase in household's income.  
Women reinvest 90% in family →  
positive impact on family's well-being

Multi-stakeholder initiatives. Smallholders and inclusive business opportunities in palm oil. CSR Asia

[http://www.csr-asia.com/report/RIB Asia Palm oil report.pdf](http://www.csr-asia.com/report/RIB%20Asia%20Palm%20oil%20report.pdf)

# INCLUDING WOMEN IN LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT CAN BENEFIT ALL



CHANGE PRACTICES- BE INCLUSIVE