



Why Link Beijing + 10 and the Millennium Development Goals?

Total Population

7.011.000 million

Honduras





51.5%

*República
de Honduras*

**3,645,720
million are
women**



9 Ethnic Groups



840,000 people



Households Headed by Women

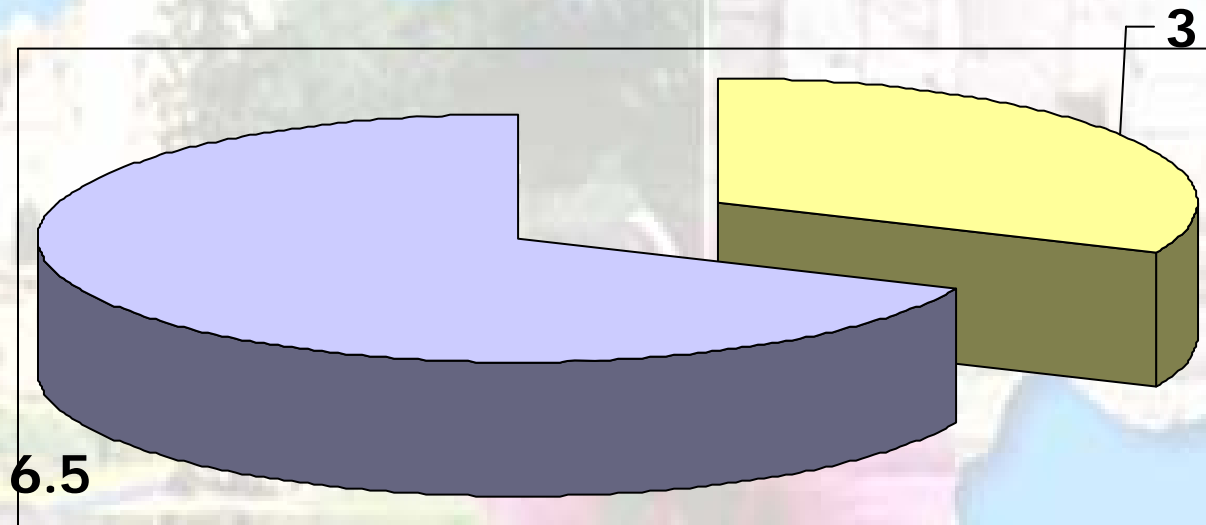
10 Years Ago there
were 123,000
households headed
by women

By May 2004, they had increased to 370,000

This represents 25,000 new households
headed by women per year

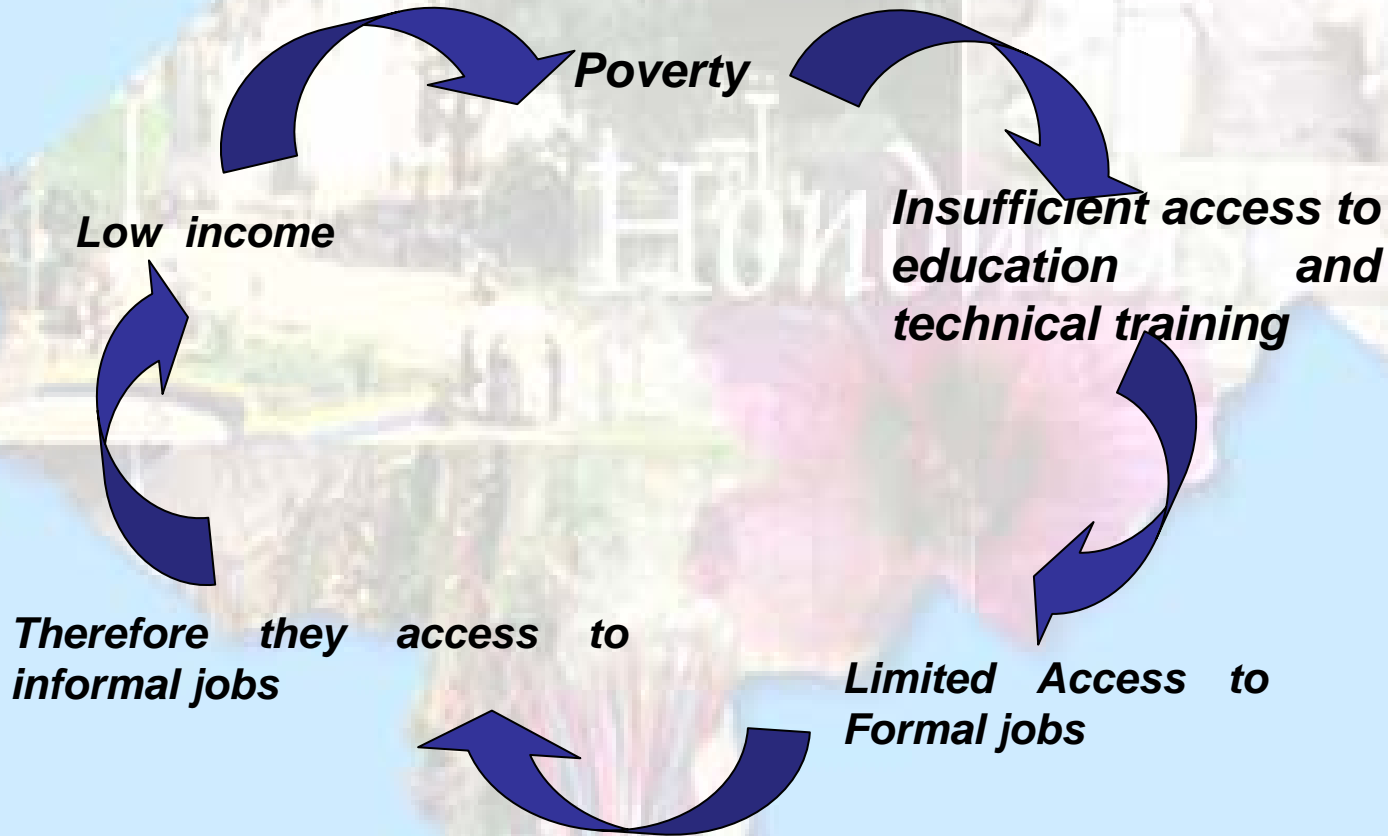


Relationship between numbers of children and Educational Level of the mother



■ 7+ school years ■ no schooling

Poverty Cycle



National Policy For Women



Formulated by means of a process of consultation between civil society and governmental institutions.

Reflects decisions of the State to confront, in an integral manner, the obstacles of inequality that affect women.

Thematic axes



5 axes of fundamental priority were:

- established to achieve the goals of the Platform for Action

- reflected in National Legislation, and

- validated by ample process of consultation.

Economy and Poverty

Violence

Health

Education and Media

Social and Political Participation

The Honduran Experience : Working With Micro-Entrepreneurs groups of Lenca Women

This is the most representative ethnic group in the country, with a population of more than 256,000 people.

The National Institute of Women has been working, over the last 2 years, with an organized group of around 1,320 families, which represent 9,240 people, distributed in 16 productive groups



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- Our main objective is to **encourage the association of productive ethnic groups** oriented to raise their standard of living, improve their systems of production, marketing, negotiation, training, access to a decent job and new work technologies, in order to **fulfill our final goal which is to reduce poverty through women empowerment.**

Intervention Strategies:

- Identification of the needs (INAM, SAG and EAP)
- Technical and professional assistance (INAM, SAG and EAP)
- Design and Organization (INAM and SIC)
- Legal association (INAM, SIC and SGJ)
- Training (INAM and SIC)
- Legal Statutes (SGJ and SIC)
- Cooperative System (INAM and FAO)
- Access to new technologies (FAO and EAP)
- Trading of products (SIC)
- Technical and Legal assistance (INAM).

What do they produce?



Agriculture, ornamental plants, bottled sweets, vegetables and fruits, bakery, fruit wines, handicrafts: wood, clay, leather and pine, coffee and handmade fabrics.



How did we do it?

Strategic alliances through signed cooperation agreements with the following government institutions:

1. Ministry of Industry and Trade
2. Ministry of Labour and Social Security
3. Ministry of Agricultural Affairs
4. The National Institute of Statistics
5. The Pan American School of Agriculture
6. The National Agrarian Institute.

Result: coordination among several public institutions in order to execute an integrated intervention strategy

Achievements:

- The president of this association was honored last year with the “Food Security National Prize”, given by the Food And Agriculture Organization Of The United Nations.
- Legal Personalities for each productive group and the association as a whole.
- The donation of a car to transfer the products.
- The Association is currently negotiating the purchase of their own property/land.
- Improvement in their sales
- Support from other International organizations.



This project, the Millennium Development Goals and Beijing + 10

Goal 1 Eradicate Extreme Poverty and Hunger :

- Provide women with access to savings and credit mechanisms and institutions.
- Promote women's economic rights and independence, including access to employment, appropriate working conditions and control over economic resources.
- Provide business services, training and access to markets, information and technology, particularly to low-income women.
- Facilitate women's equal access to resources, employment, market and trade.

Goal 3 Promote Gender equality and empower women:

- Integrate gender perspective in programmes, and projects of government institutions.
- Coordinate and strengthen the work of governmental institutions in order to provide better opportunities for women.

Goal 8, Develop a global partnership for development

- Develop further an open, rule-based, predictable, nondiscriminatory trading and financial system.
- Deal comprehensively with the debt problems of developing countries through national and international measures in order to make debt sustainable in the long term.
- In cooperation with developing countries, develop and implement strategies for decent and productive work for youth.
- In cooperation with the private sector, make available the benefits of new technologies, especially information and communications.



Precarious Conditions

Unprotected by the System

Vulnerable to Violations of their human rights

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Legal Protection

Social Security Services

Basics Needs

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Underemployment

Unemployment

Increased work load



Subsistence