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GENDER EQUALITY into national and sub-national Disaster Risk Management policies

- **Mainstreaming gender equality as principle in DRM related laws.** Law on Natural Disaster Prevention, Control No. 33/2013/QH13) and Law on Dyke (No. 60/2020/QH14).
- **Considerations regarding vulnerable groups under DRM laws.** The inclusiveness regarding vulnerable groups has recently been strengthened in the Law No. 60/2020/QH14
- **Expanding the identification of vulnerable groups in relevant policies over time**
- **Promoting inclusive and participatory approaches in DRM provisions**



KEY OPPORTUNITIES for Gender Equality

NATIONAL LEVEL

- The use of **gender statistics** in disaster monitoring, preparation and response:
 - Since 2018, VNDMA has developed a comprehensive Vietnam Natural Disaster Monitoring System (VNDMS) to effectively monitor and manage natural disaster responses. VNDMA has kicked start the process of integrating sex, age and disaggregated data (SADDD) into its national disaster risks database.
 - The collection of SADDD database was piloted in some provinces of Da Nang, Lao Cai and Quang Tri, Ha Tinh. The indicators shall integrate the SADDD specifically in the aspects of exposure to disaster, vulnerability, coping capacity, human, physical and economic impacts as well as access to health service, household decision-making and women's political leadership.
- The **collaboration with Viet Nam Women's Union** as the largest women's organization is also always important to boost women's voice and agency.

REGIONAL LEVEL

- **Ha Noi recommendation** for Actions on Gender Equality in Disaster Risk Reduction, was recently reviewed and revised in the ASEAN Forum on Gender in DRR.
- Additionally, more commitments and concrete support are needed both financially and technically from the UN and from donors to implement these recommendations and make it happen