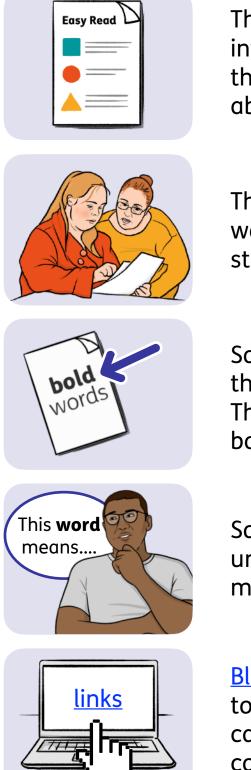




Beijing +30 What is going to happen



Easy Read



This is an Easy Read version of some information. It may not include all of the information but it will tell you about the important parts.

This Easy Read booklet uses easier words and pictures. Some people may still want help to read it.

Some words are in **bold** - this means the writing is thicker and darker. These are important words in the booklet.

Sometimes if a bold word is hard to understand, we will explain what it means.

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About this booklet



UN Women Asia and the Pacific has written this booklet to explain the **Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action**. In this booklet, we will call it the Platform.



The Platform is a list of things that governments, organizations and other groups around the world need to do to make life better for women.



189 countries agreed to the Platform in 1995. That was nearly 30 years ago.



There will be a big meeting to look at what countries have done over the last 30 years, and what still needs to happen.

In this booklet, we will call it Beijing +30.

The Platform



The Platform has 12 parts, called **areas of concern**. Each part is about something where women and girls need more **rights** and support.



Rights are things that everyone should have by law, like the right to vote or make choices for yourself.



The 12 parts are:

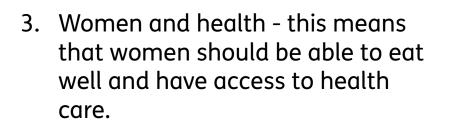
1. Women and poverty - this means that women should be able to afford the things they need to live.



2. Education and training of women this means that women should have the right to learn.



Safe



4. Violence against women - this means that all women in the world should be safe from being hurt.



5. Women and armed conflict - this means that women in countries that are at war should be safe from being hurt.



6. Women and the economy - this means that women should be able to get good jobs and earn money.



 Women in power and decisionmaking - this means that women should have the right to make choices, have power and be leaders.





- 8. Institutional mechanisms this means that women should be treated fairly by all parts of the government.
- 9. Human rights of women this means that women should have the rights that everyone in the world should have.
- 10. Women and the media this means that:
 - Women should be able to be journalists - these are people who work in the media, like reporters and writers.



• Women's stories are told fairly in newspapers, TV, radio and the internet.





11. Women and the environment this means that women should be included in decisions that affect the world we live in.



12. The girl child - this means that women in their childhood should be able to play, learn and grow, safe from being hurt.

Why this is important



Even though it has been a long time since the Platform started, no country has done everything on the list.



Some women still have unfair and harmful things happen to them at work, at home, and in their local communities.



The Platform is very important because it gives countries ways to be fairer to women and girls and make life better for everyone.

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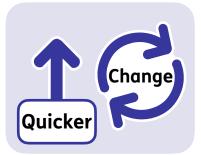
Every 5 years, countries check how well they are doing at making changes that the Platform says they should make.



In March 2025, there will be a big meeting in New York to talk about the 30 years since the Platform started.



Leaders will talk about what they have done and what still needs to happen.



They will also talk about how to make changes more quickly so that the world is much fairer by 2030.

Getting ready for a change



Right now, countries are checking what they have done to follow the Platform.



They are looking at information and talking to different groups.



This is so that the big meetings about the Platform are based on:

• Good information.



• Many different views.

The Asia-Pacific Review



Before Beijing +30, there will be a meeting in Bangkok to talk about the Platform.

This is called the **Asia-Pacific Regional Review**.



The Asia-Pacific Regional Review will be in November 2024.



It will look at how well countries in this part of the world are doing with the Platform.



Information from this meeting will be used in the big meeting in New York in 2025.

UN Women Asia-Pacific Campaign



We are helping countries in **Asia and the Pacific** to follow the Platform.





Asia and the Pacific is a part of the world that includes:

- Countries in East Asia.
- Countries in North Asia.
- Countries in Central Asia
- Countries in South East Asia.
- Countries in South Asia.
- Island countries in the Pacific Ocean.

We will help with the Asia-Pacific Regional Review.



We are also leading a **campaign** to make the changes that still need to happen.



A **campaign** is when people work together to make a change in the world.



We are working with local groups of women on this campaign.



We want to work with young people on this, to help make changes to their countries and communities.

What is next?



It is important to:

• Keep working to make the world fair.



• Learn from what has happened in the past.



• Think of new ideas for the future.



We want everyone, especially young people, to join in and help make the world fair for women and girls.

Find out more



You can look at our website here: https://asiapacific.unwomen.org/en/ stories/in-focus/2024/03/in-focusbeijing30-in-asia-pacific



You can also find out about the work that we do with women and girls with disabilities here: <u>https://www.unwomen.org/en/what-</u> <u>we-do/women-and-girls-with-</u> <u>disabilities</u>

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