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RESPONSE (FOR PRIMARY  
COOPERATIVES)

# DATA STUDY

## EMPOWERING WOMEN IN COOPERATIVES: SHAPING THE 2026 ASIA-PACIFIC DATA STUDY

### WHY THIS STUDY MATTERS:

Across the Asia and Pacific, cooperatives engage millions of women as members, workers and leaders. Yet, their participation often remains under-documented and under-recognised.

The absence of consistent gender-disaggregated data limits the ability to:

- Track women’s participation and leadership
- Identify structural barriers
- Design informed policies and programmes

This regional initiative builds a shared evidence base to strengthen gender equality in cooperatives.

### OUR JOURNEY: A ROADMAP OF PROGRESS



**1995**  
A GLOBAL  
RESOLUTION ON  
GENDER EQUALITY



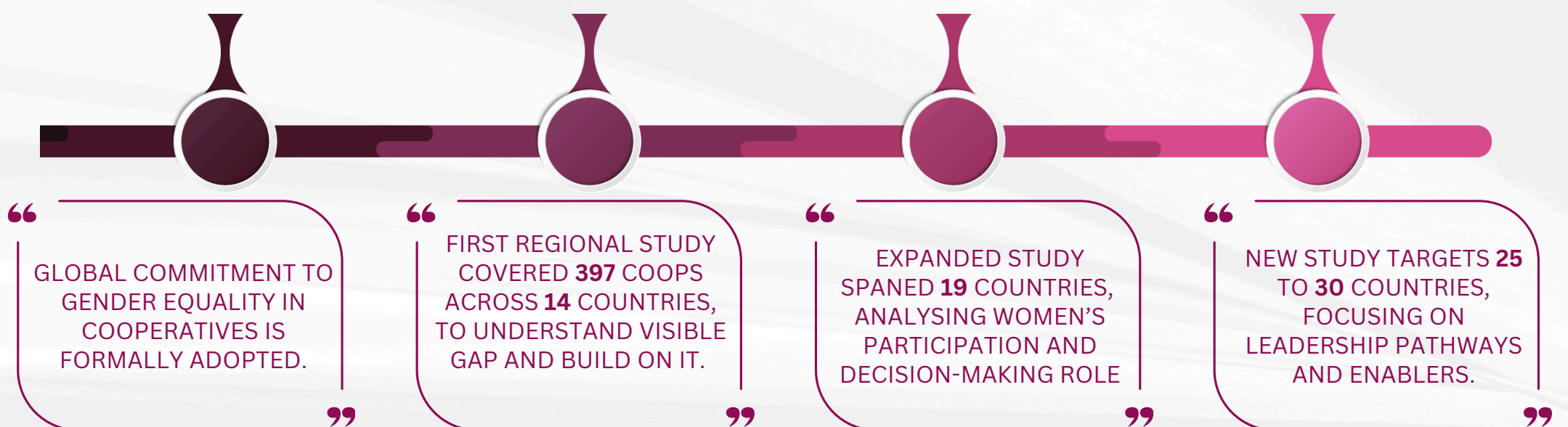
**2005 STUDY\***  
BUILDING A  
GENDER DATA  
BASELINE



**2015-16 STUDY\***  
GENDER IS MORE  
THAN A STATISTIC






**2026**  
CONTINUING  
THE LEGACY



*\*Links to the [2005](#), and the [2015-16](#) report*

# WHAT THE 2026 STUDY WILL DO

-  • Develop a standardised gender data framework
-  • Track women's participation from membership to leadership
-  • Identify leadership pathways and institutional enablers
-  • Generate actionable recommendations
-  • Strengthen data systems across cooperatives

## HOW IT WORKS

A TWO-TIER APPROACH ACROSS 25 TO 30 COUNTRIES



### APEX ORGANISATIONS

- NATIONAL-LEVEL REPRESENTATIVE DATA
- POLICIES, GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORKS



### PRIMARY COOPERATIVES

- ORGANISATION-LEVEL DATA
- GROUND-LEVEL REALITIES ACROSS COOPERATIVES



### WOMEN LEADERSHIP PATHWAYS

- SHORT NARRATIVES CAPTURING LIVED EXPERIENCES

 WE INVITE PARTICIPATION FROM 



### REPRESENTATIVE ORGANISATIONS (BY INVITATION)

- SHARE REPRESENTATIVE NATIONAL LEVEL DATA
- ACT AS NODAL AGENCIES FOR CIRCULATION



### PRIMARY COOPERATIVES (OPEN TO ALL)

- SHARE YOUR DATA AND EXPERIENCES
- CONTRIBUTE TO A REGIONAL EVIDENCE BASE



### WOMEN MEMBERS AND LEADERS (BY INVITATION)

- SHARE YOUR LEADERSHIP JOURNEYS
- HELP SHAPE FUTURE PATHWAYS

**YOUR PARTICIPATION WILL DIRECTLY CONTRIBUTE TO STRENGTHENING GENDER EQUALITY ACROSS THE COOPERATIVE MOVEMENT.**

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