

Activity Sheet 3

Transport and Gender Analysis

Purpose

The purpose of this exercise is to explore household transport activities from a gender perspective. This exercise also allows us to examine access to various modes of transport facilities e.g. motorised vehicles, bicycles and so on. It also enables us to appreciate the gender differences in the demand for and use of transport, and the proportion of time allocated to transport along gender lines.

This method may be used when carrying out household surveys, and may serve to summarise the results of the interviews with household members.

Group Activity

- 1. List activities related to transport for a single household in a community with which you work. Be detailed and specific.
- 2. Prepare a *transport matrix* on flipchart. An example is illustrated below (pages 2 and 3 below). Note: your table may include more/different transport activities than listed here.
- 3. Fill in the table with the information you have about the sample household you are familiar with, or your knowledge of that household.
- 4. Discuss the following questions:
 - A. What are the reasons for the gender differences in demand for transport and the time taken by men and women to carry out transport tasks?
 - B. What are the implications of these gender differences for the way we address rural mobility issues, and design transport services and infrastructure?
- 5. Prepare to present your findings to the plenary.



Transport within a village

Sample Transport Matrix

Transport Activity		Women	Men	Children
Transport within Village				
Collect water	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport Frequency of Activity			
Collect Firewood	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport			
	Frequency of Activity			
Take produce to market	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport			
	Frequency of Activity			
Purchase fertilizer	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport			
	Frequency of Activity			
Crop harvesting	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport			
	Frequency of Activity			
Other activities				



Transport *outside* a village

Sample Transport Matrix

Transport Activity		Women	Men	Children
Transport outs	side Village			
Grind grain	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport			
	Frequency of Activity			
Visit health centre/hospital	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport			
	Frequency of Activity			
Marketing of farm products	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport			
	Frequency of Activity			
Purchase of Food & consumer goods	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport			
	Frequency of Activity			
Travel to other places	Time taken			
	Distance travelled			
	Mode of transport			
	Frequency of Activity			
Other activities				