Towards a generic policy inclusiveness assessment tool:

Building on Equiframe

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Rationale

• Equiframe is developed to assess public health policies

• The approach is “Right-based”

  Foundation for the Leave no one behind objective

• Possibility of developing a generic policy assessment tool to be used for assessing different sectors in a coherent manner
• Building on the past applications of Equiframe in the region on “Disability” policies

ESCAP initiated
• Piloting Equiframe in three areas in two countries
  ✓ improving lives of disaster affected people in Sri Lanka
  ✓ Women economic empowerment in Mongolia
  ✓ Poverty eradication in Mongolia

Objectives
• Assess applicability/flexibility of Equiframe in sectors other than health and different policy contexts
• Identify challenges in implementation of Equiframe
• Explore possibility of developing a generic policy assessment tool
• Propose a generic tool for consideration of the RSG
• Develop further guidelines that makes generic tool accessible to all countries in the region
Major steps

- Review the existing tool and previous practices
- Revise Equiframe as required
- Review & select all national and international policy documents relevant to the subject
- Assess policy documents using revised Equiframe
- Propose recommendations for generic tool
- Map results on existing data and assess data availability

Initial challenges

- How to use the language? Exact terms? Room for interpretation? (given translation issues)
- How to assess when multiple act/documents pertaining to the selected sector exist?
- Scoring needs to be more specifically defined
- Definition of vulnerable subpopulation varies across countries
- Some weighting may be appropriate for scoring. E.g., based on number of CCs covered
THANK YOU!