OBJECTIVES	• Encourage participants to interact • Build consensus on workshop objectives and expectations • Encourage participants to relate GRB to their personal experiences and understand its relevance to promoting gender equality.
CONTENT	• Workshop objectives • Participants' introductions • Manual Road Map–Set up the framework of the workshop program
HANDOUT	Workshop Program–Copy of Training manual
FORMAT	Open circle discussion and exercise followed by PowerPoint presentation
SESSION OUTLINE	Opening statement/Welcome address Review of workshop objectives: 15 minutes Participants' introductions: 60 minutes Exercise: 60 minutes Presentation of workshop road map and program: 15 minutes **Total: 150 minutes**

EXERCISE: NEGOTIATING A HOUSEHOLD BUDGET

SESSION GUIDELINES

Time: 60 minutes

10 minutes to explain process, read household profiles and form groups

20 minutes for group work

15 minutes to report back

15 minutes for facilitator to offer clarifications

MATERIALS NEEDED

Flipcharts, markers, copies of two basic household budgets, copies of instructions for each family and family members

INSTRUCTIONS

Divide participants into two groups: one representing a poor rural household and the other one an urban middle class household, each faced with a specific set of issues. Assign a role to each member of the group. The task for each group is to develop a budget by identifying specific budget items and amounts that will be spent for each of them. The decisions are made based on negotiations amongst the members of each household.

At the end of the allocated time, invite participants to report back. After they present their budget, the facilitator should pose the following questions:

- How were the decisions made and by whom?
- Who benefited the most from the budget and whose needs were most disregarded?
- Which budget items were prioritized and which were left out?
- Were the decisions made gender responsive?
- Could one change the allocation of funds to better respond to everyone's needs?
- Are there parallels between this exercise and the government budgeting process?
- How does government spending affect household income and spending on services such as health, water, etc?

ADAPTATION

Facilitator can adapt the suggested family profiles as necessary.