

Sierra Leone's Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE) Act, 2022

Gender Equality · Good practice · Sierra Leone

Quality score: 85/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Sierra Leone's 2022 Gender Equality Act mandates a 30% quota for women in politics, public service and firms with 25+ staff. After the 2023 election, women's elected parliamentary seats rose from 14.5% to 30.4%, one of Africa's fastest legislated gains.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	2/3
Impact on gender equality	1/1
Effectiveness	1/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	1/1
Achievement / evidence	1/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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