



# **Women Empowering Women: Experiences Across Asia**

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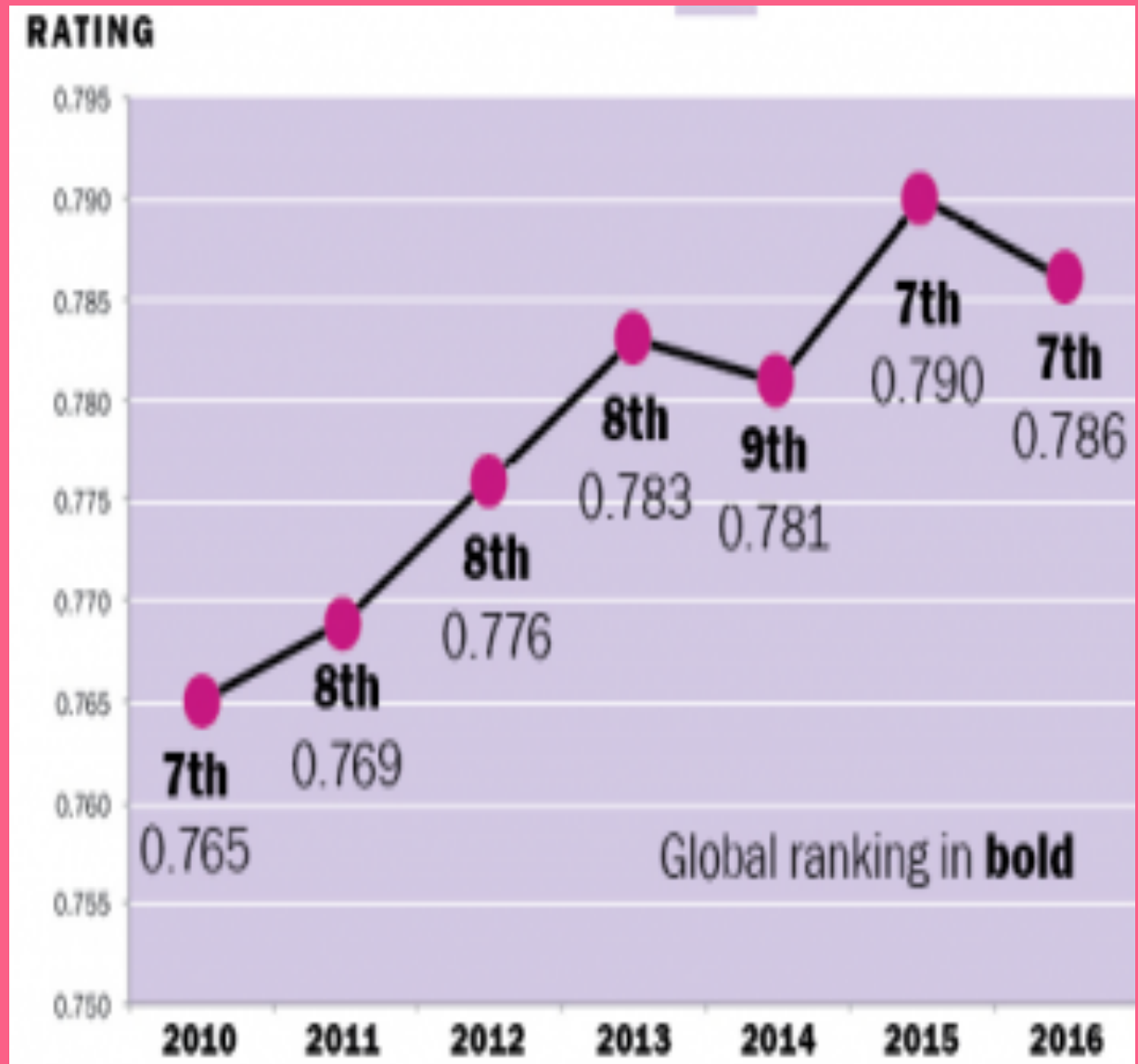


**Session I: Women Talk**  
**Gender Awareness, Gender-based Violence and**  
**Gender Gap in Asia**

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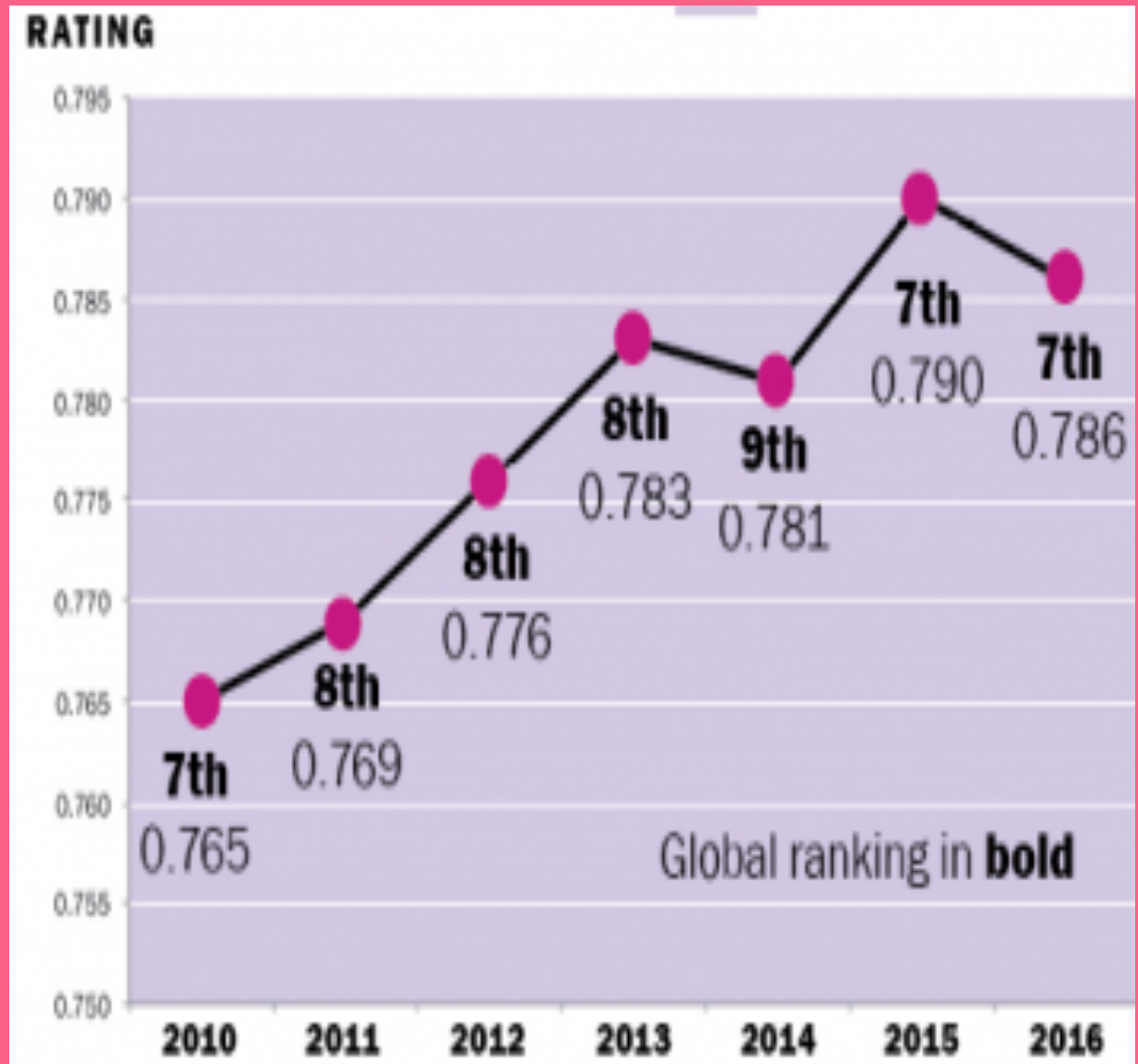
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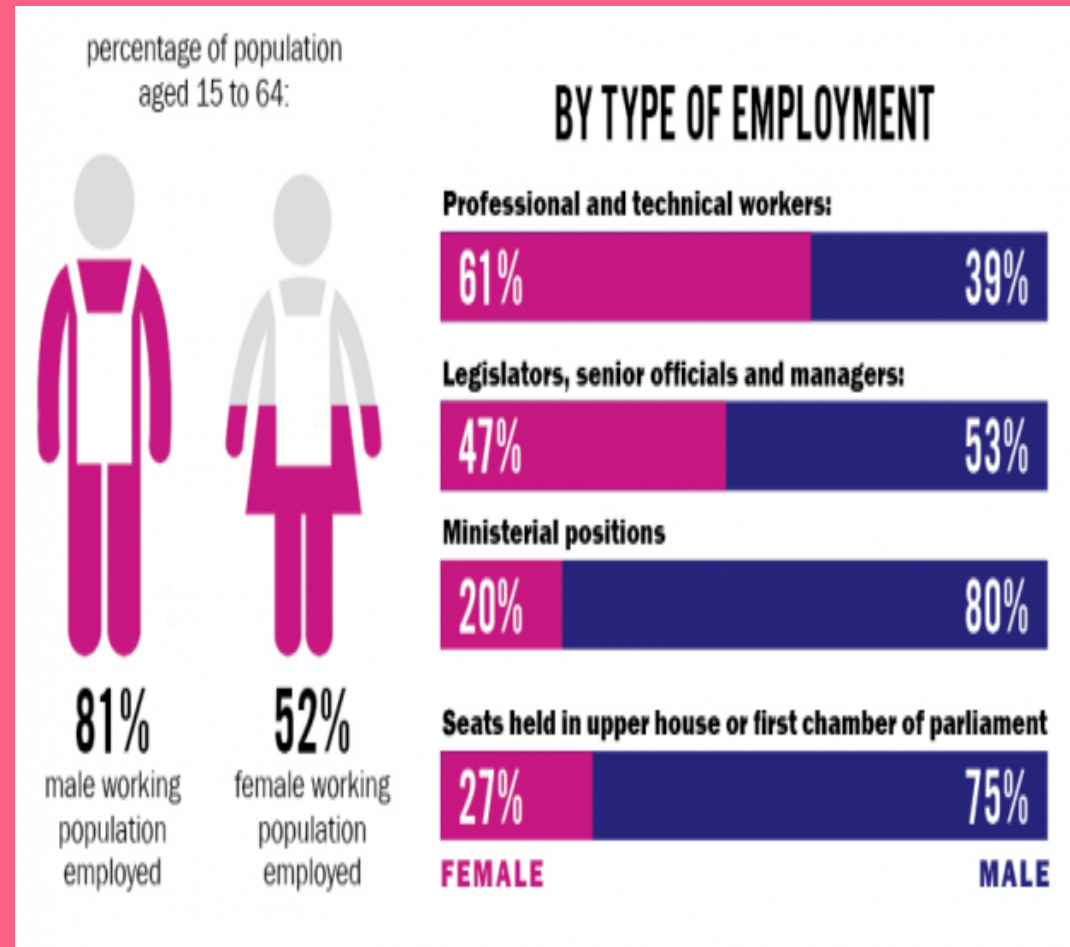
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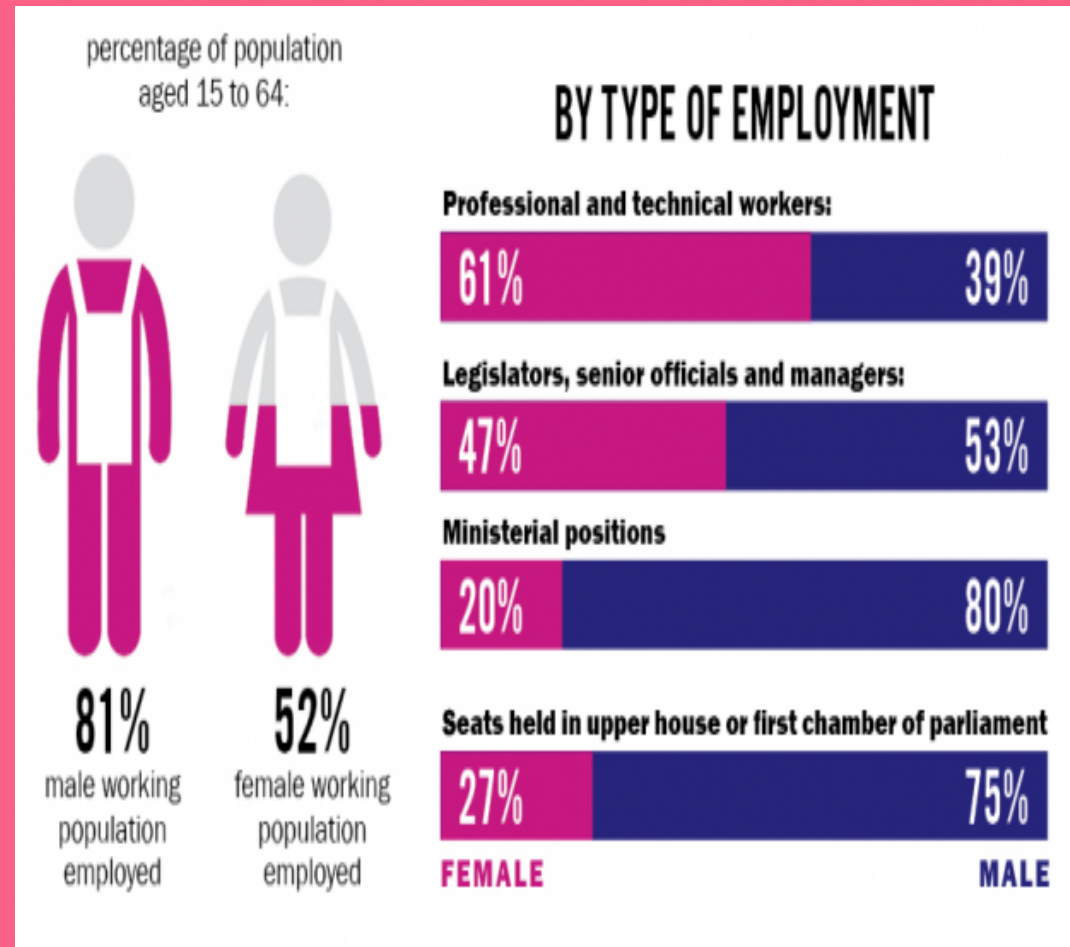
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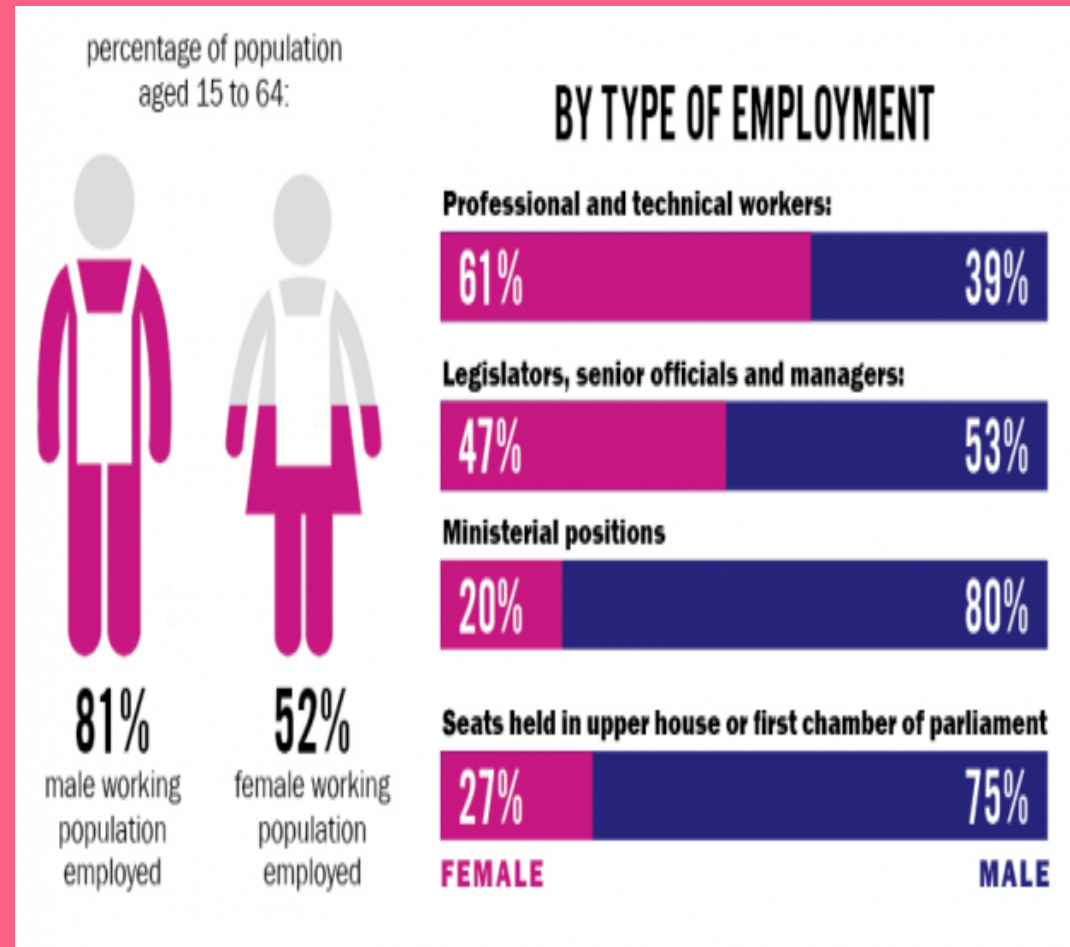
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# Violence Against Women

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# Working with Local Women Leaders

My most fervent development partners are community based rural women - mostly mothers, barangay health workers, nutritionists and retired teachers.





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# The Challenge Ahead: Amplify Women's Voice and Harness Women Power

When women come together, there is a unique kind of strength. There is beauty in this strength. There is power in this strength. Women power can drive change, positive change in the home, in the community and for the country.





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