An update on China's implementation of commitments at "Global Leaders' Meeting on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: A Commitment to Action"

- 1. President Xi Jinping pledged at the Global Leaders' Meeting on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: A Commitment to Action" that China will donate US\$10 million to the UN Women for the implementation of the *Beijing Declaration* and *Platform for Action* and the realization of the related goals in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This commitment is in steady implementation.
- 2. China is implementing its commitments on foreign aids, including carrying out the 100 "Health Projects for Women and Children" and the 100 "Happy Campus Projects", hosting 30,000 women from developing countries for training programs in China and providing 100,000 skills training opportunities in local communities of other developing countries. These aid programmes and personnel training are making steady progress and will be completed within five years. China will continue to help other developing countries, according to recipient countries' needs and under the South-South Cooperation Framework, in their efforts to achieve the related goals in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
- 3. China is advancing gender equality in a comprehensive manner:
 - 1) A conference to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women and accelerate the implementation of China's basic state policy of equality between men and women was co-organized by the National Working Committee on Children and Women under the State Council (NWCCW) and the All-China Women's Federation (ACWF) in Beijing on October 13, 2015.
 - 2) A comprehensive midterm review of the implementation of the *Program for the Development of Chinese Women (2011-2020)* and the *Program for the Development of Chinese Children (2011-2020)* is conducted by the Chinese Government in 2016. Task forces have been sent to supervise the review in different areas of the Country.
 - 3) Legislation on women's rights and interests continues to be improved. The *Anti-domestic Violence Law of the People's Republic of China* took effect on March 1st, 2016. Review mechanisms on gender equality in regulations and policies have been established in 24 provinces /autonomous regions/municipalities.
 - 4) Promoting women's economic empowerment. The Women Entrepreneurship and Innovation Action has been launched to help women start businesses in development of digital economy. Since 2014, 576 national science and technology model bases for rural areas have been set up, with financial support of 28.8 million Chinese yuan (or 4.32 million US dollars), leading to the set-up of over 100,000 such model bases at

- local level. By June 2016, a total of 279.453 billion Chinese yuan (41.87 billion US dollars) has been issued in small-sum guaranteed loan to women. Since 2014, over 7,000 trainees have graduated from the 66 skills training programs held by ACWF, and local women's federations have carried out over 400,000 such programs, providing training for over 20 million women.
- 5) Promoting women's health. In 2009, the free screening of breast and cervical cancers for rural women was incorporated into the national major public medical services. By the end of 2015, 52.91 million rural women have received free cervical cancer screening and 7.6 million rural women have received free breast cancer screening.