Building back better in the wake of COVID-19 calls for reinvigorated democracies, powered by feminist politics.

**KEY LEVERS TO PROMOTE FEMINIST POLITICS FOR TRANSFORMATIVE RECOVERY**

- **Boost women's representation and feminists' presence in politics**
  - Women’s representation is a matter of equality, and also leads to better policy outcomes, which calls for legally binding quotas and gender parity in appointments for executives and bureaucracies.

- **Support women’s rights organizations and their contributions to democratic accountability and public service delivery**

- **Resist backlash by building progressive coalitions**

- **Robust connections between governments and civil society organizations help build state effectiveness; to enable this, the work of women’s rights organizations should be recognized and supported, including through capacity building, funding for the long-term sustainability, and a safe and enabling civic space.**

Fostering and financing mechanisms that enable different groups of women, workers and environmental activists working across thematic silos to organize and collaborate are fundamental to building broad-based progressive coalitions and countering backlash.