

5.Improvement of Education and Learning that Promote Gender Equality and Facilitate a Variety of Choices

■ Education and Learning that Promote Gender Equality

In school education and social education, awareness of self-reliance is cultivated and education and learning that promote the principle of gender equality are further improved. Efforts to raise awareness are also made so that people involved in such education can understand the principle of gender equality.

The National Women's Education Center (NVEC) promotes investigative research that contributes to the formation of a gender-equal society and construction of a women's archive that collects and provides articles related to women who have made distinguished achievements, women's policies, etc., and strives to return those results throughout the country. And also, it sets a fixed time period to develop learning projects for gender equality, women's education and education at home etc., create training materials, and conduct pioneering practical training for instructors to participate in.

■ Improvement of Education, Ability Development, and Learning Opportunities that Make a Variety of Choice Possible

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology is implementing measures and policies to promote formation of lifelong learning society in which a variety of learning opportunities are secured throughout people's lifetimes and the results of learning are appropriately evaluated. This is making it possible for both men and women to fully utilize their uniqueness and abilities and participate in every field in society.

For example, it is working to improve learning opportunities in order to develop female human resources who participate in regional development. It is also working to promote support for career development from a gender equality perspective in order to make it possible for both women and men to have a variety of choices.