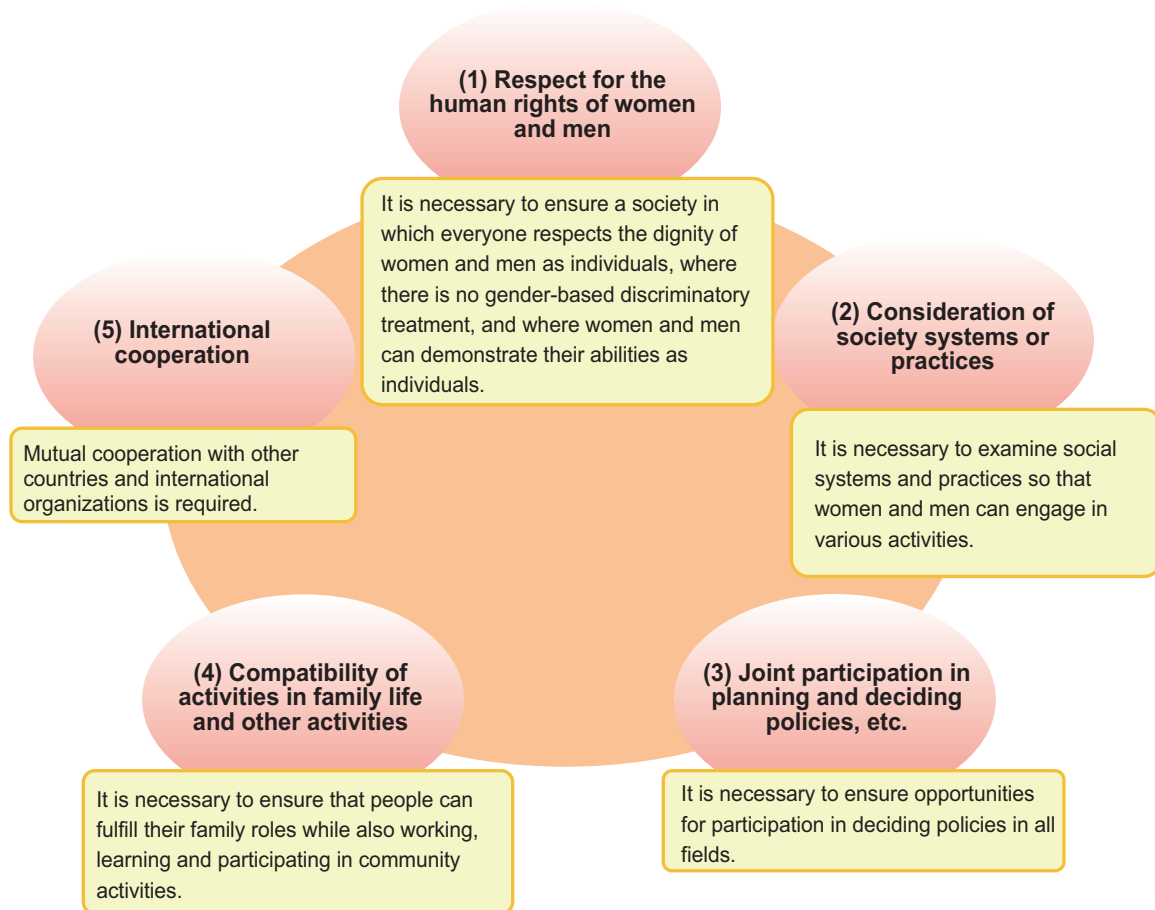


2. The Basic Act for Gender Equal Society (Promulgated and Enacted on 23 June, 1999)

The Basic Act lays out the five pillars (basic principles) relating to the formation of a gender-equal society. It also clarifies the roles of the public administration (the national and local governments) and citizens.

Basic Principles: Five (5) Pillars in regard to the Formation of a Gender Equal Society



Roles of the National Government, Local Governments and Citizens

Responsibilities of the National Government	Responsibilities of Local Governments	Responsibilities of Citizens
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Formulation of the Basic Plan for Gender Equality pursuant to the basic principles - Comprehensive formulation and implementation of policies related to promoting the formation of a gender-equal society, including Positive Action/Temporary Special Measures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementation of policies related to promoting the formation of a gender-equal society pursuant to the basic principles - Implementation of other policies in accordance with the nature of the areas of local governments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expected to contribute to the formation of a gender-equal society