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**Remarkable Achievements of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Improving
the Status of Women and Family**

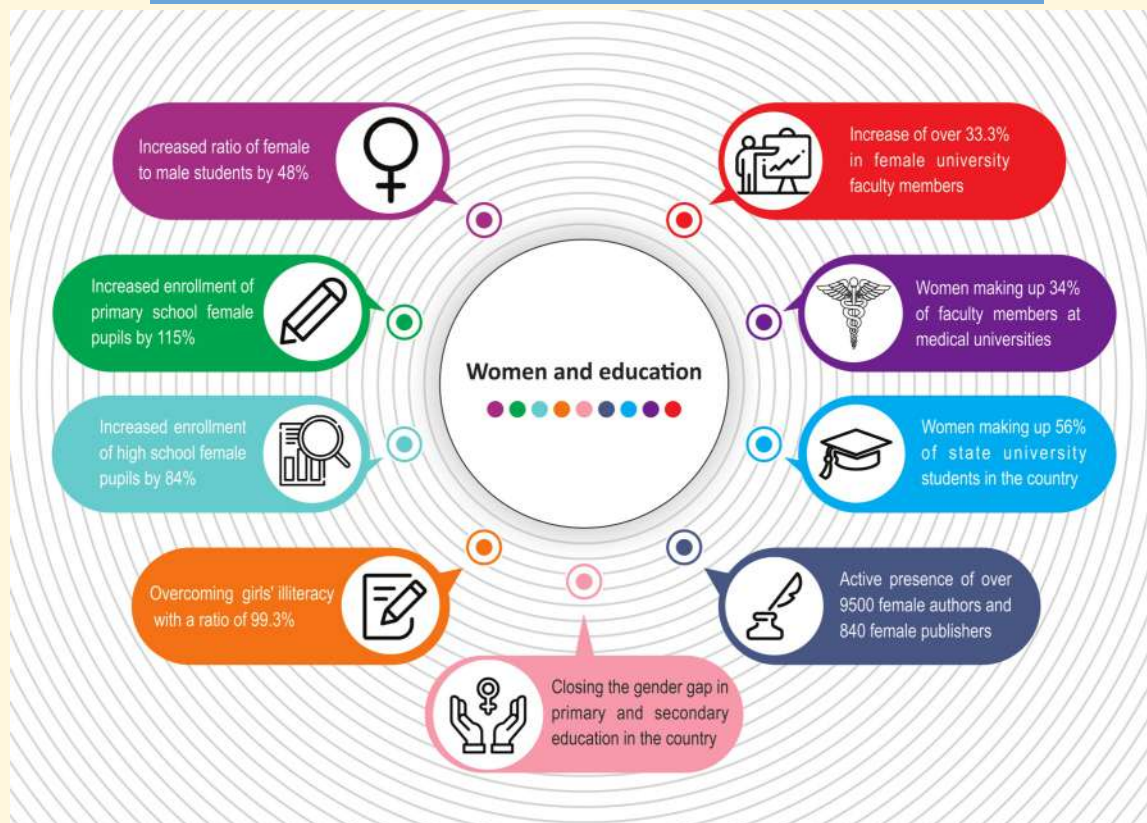


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WOMEN & EDUCATION

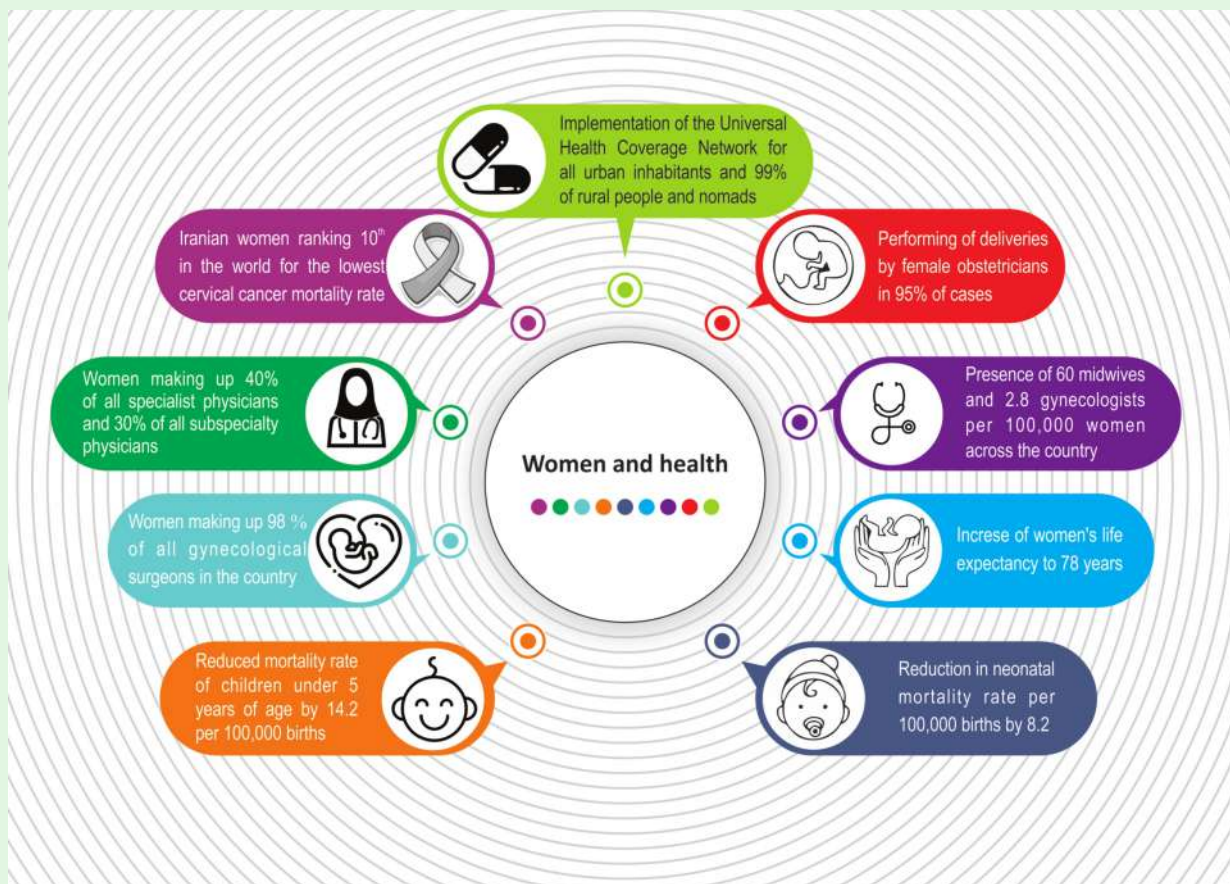


- * Increase of over 33.3% in female university faculty members
- * Women making up 34% of faculty members at medical universities
- * Women making up 56% of state university students in the country
- * Closing the gender gap in primary and secondary education in the country
- * Overcoming women and girls' illiteracy with a ratio of 99.3%
- * Increased enrollment of high school female pupils by 84%
- * Active presence of over 9500 female authors and 840 female publishers
- * Increased enrollment of primary school female pupils by 115%
- * Increased ratio of female to male students by 48%
- * Increase of over 33.3% in female university faculty members





WOMEN & HEALTH

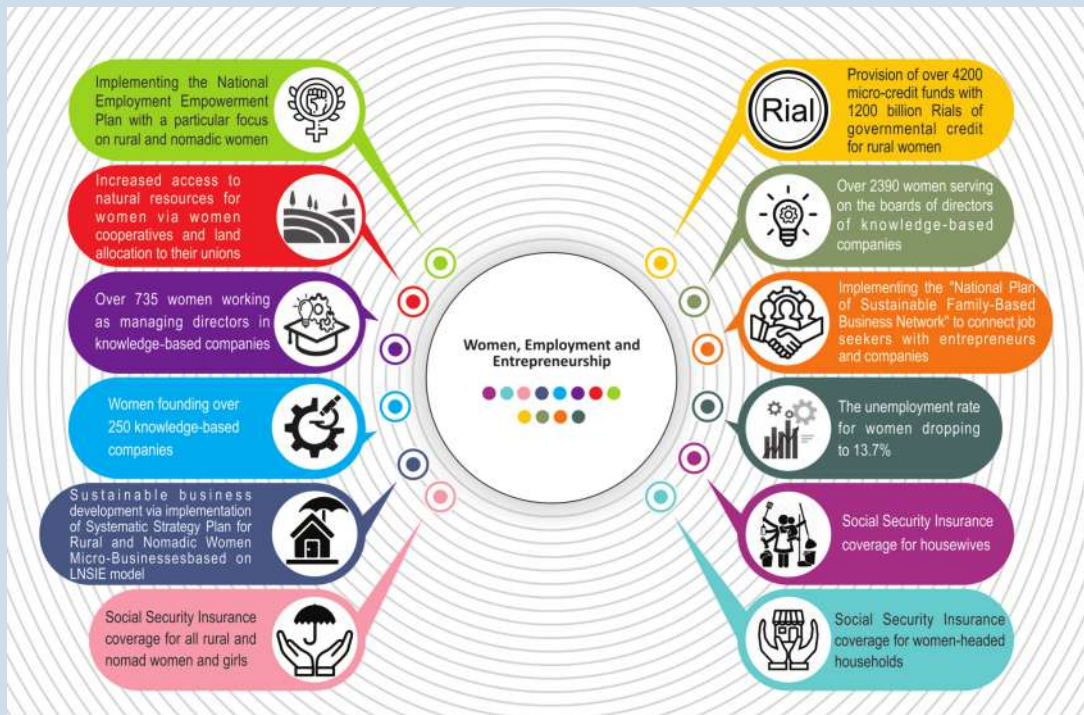


- * Implementation of the Universal Health Coverage Network for all urban inhabitants and 99% of rural people and nomads
- * Performing of deliveries by female obstetricians in 95% of cases
- * Presence of 60 midwives and 2.8 gynecologists per 100,000 women across the country
- * Increase of women's life expectancy to 78 years
- * Reduction in neonatal mortality rate per 100,000 births by 8.2
- * Reduced mortality rate of children under 5 years of age by 14.2 per 100,000 births
- * Women making up 98% of all gynecological surgeons in the country





WOMEN, EMPLOYMENT & ENTREPRENEURSHIP



- * Implementing the "National Plan of Sustainable Family-Based Business Network" to connect job seekers with entrepreneurs and companies
- * Provision of over 4200 micro-credit funds with 1200 billion Rials of governmental credit for rural women
- * Over 2390 women serving on the boards of directors of knowledge-based companies
- * The unemployment rate for women dropping to 13.7%
- * Social Security Insurance coverage for housewives
- * Social Security Insurance coverage for women-headed households
- * Social Security Insurance coverage for all rural and nomad women and girls
- * Sustainable business development via implementation of Systematic Strategy Plan for Rural and Nomadic Women Micro-Businesses based on LNSIE model
- * Women founding over 250 knowledge-based companies
- * Over 735 women working as managing directors in knowledge-based companies







WOMEN & SPORTS



- ◆ Women get access to over 16111 gyms
- ◆ Women have won 3302 medals at recent international sporting events
- ◆ Female athletes have earned Olympic and Paralympic quota places
- ◆ 70 women are serving as heads of sports delegations across provinces
- ◆ Women possess 97 international seats in sports federations worldwide
- ◆ 88366 women work as referees in national and international sporting events
- ◆ There are 51 female presidents and Vice presidents for different sports federations





WOMEN IN AUTHORITY AND DECISION-MAKING POSITIONS

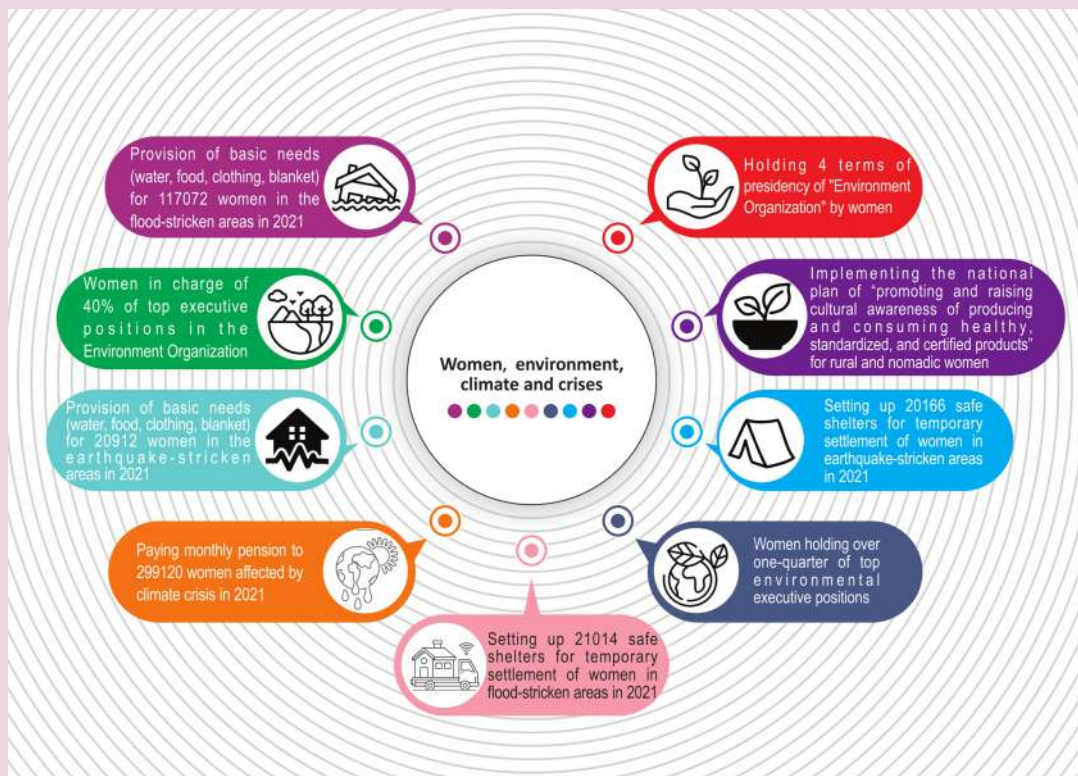


- ♦ Women holding 25.2 % of all government positions at all levels, including the highest, middle, and basic executive positions
- ♦ Women serving as the vice presidents for women and family affairs
- ♦ Over 1000 women working as judges in the country
- ♦ Increase in the number of women candidates to enter parliament by 227% in the 11th term
- ♦ Increase in the number of women as parliament members by 16.5 times since the first term
- ♦ Increase in women's participation in the Islamic Consultative Assembly by 5.59%





WOMEN, ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE AND CRISES



- ◆ Provision of basic needs (water, food, clothing, blanket) for 117072 women in the flood-stricken areas in 2021
- ◆ Women in charge of 40% of top executive positions in the Environment Organization
- ◆ Provision of basic needs (water, food, clothing, blanket) for 20912 women in the earthquake-stricken areas in 2021
- ◆ Paying monthly pension to 299120 women affected by climate crisis in 2021
- ◆ Setting up 21014 safe shelters for temporary settlement of women in flood-stricken areas in 2021
- ◆ Women holding over one-quarter of top environmental executive positions
- ◆ Setting up 20166 safe shelters for temporary settlement of women in earthquake-stricken areas in 2021
- ◆ Implementing the national plan of "promoting and raising cultural awareness of producing and consuming healthy, standardized, and certified products" for rural and nomadic women
- ◆ Holding 4 terms of presidency of "Environment Organization" by women





IRANIAN WOMEN IN PICTURES

