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A series of macroeconomic shocks have taken place at a global level as a result of the economic crisis, which have had an impact on the lives of women around the world and have changed the landscape for gender equality. There is a lot of push-back on gender equality and the empowerment of women. As a result political and policy measures that looked quite possible to

difficult keeping on the agenda. In the face of increasing backlash against' women's rights

households buying power, and the cuts in welfare expenditures have profound implications for women in households, and on unequal distribution of unpaid work in it. For these reasons women experience at the same time job loss, decline in incomes, distress, sale of assets, and difficulties in meeting consumption needs. **As household became the safety**

continuing to cope with a big amount of domestic work.

2. Governments around the world have undertaken a range of measures to respond to the global financial crisis, which go from austerity measures to fiscal stimulus programs and social protection schemes. In taking these measures, underestimate the importance of investing in women, girls and gender equality can lead to the consequence that the long-term

sustainable development