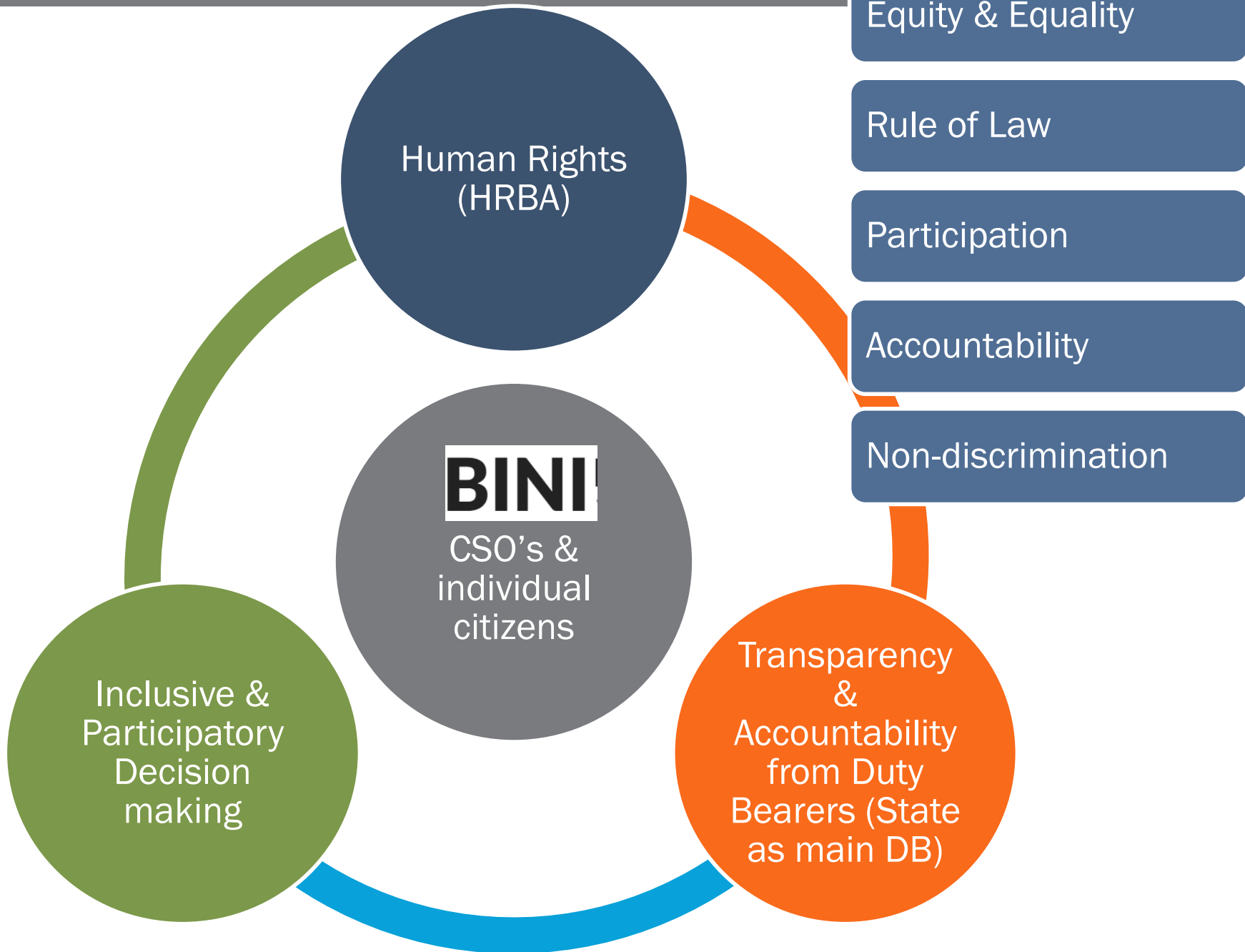


Monitoring  
Public Policy

For our  
Future

**BINI** Burgerinitiatief  
voor Participatie & Goed Bestuur

Citizens Initiative  
for Participation & Good Governance  
SURINAME





Manifesto:  
For Our  
Future



Weighing  
Political  
Party  
Platforms



Continued  
Advocacy



Follow  
Public  
Policy  
Promises



Monitor  
Policy  
Implemen-  
tation

### All Policy should:

Combat Inequality

Based on Sust.Dev. Principles

Placed within International HR Framework

According to Good Governance

Contribute to Gender Equality

### Thematic Working Groups

- Human Rights, Governance, Rule of Law
- Financial/Economic & Monetary Policy
- Environment
- Spatial Planning
- Indigenous and Tribal People
- Gender Equality & Women's Rights
- Education
- Health
- Sport (& Youth)
- Child Rights
- Decent Work

# POLICY MONITORING

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Period:

August 2015 (inauguration new Administration)

December 2016

# Based on our Priorities (For Our Future)

Our priorities

For our Future

Did the Gov't plan it?

(Financial Crisis - no  
Development Plan)

Presidential Speeches  
Budgets  
Media  
Cabinet

Did the Gov't deliver?

Media  
Websites  
Interviews  
Mails  
Ministries  
Civil Society  
Private Sector  
International  
Organisations  
Other Stakeholders

Multistakeholder Participatory Process

Research -  
1<sup>st</sup> draft report

Stakeholders  
input - 2nd draft

Workshop  
Analysis -  
3d draft

Public  
Presentations  
Final Draft

Add. Round  
Stakeholders  
Final Report

**THEME 1:  
GOVERNANCE, RULE OF LAW,  
HUMAN RIGHTS**

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Example

# Priorities

## • Priority Actions

Strengthen Rule of Law

- Capacity strengthening of institutions responsible for safeguarding RoL

Increase effectiveness of State for equitable distribution of benefits, growth and prosperity

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Increase effectiveness and efficiency of State in carrying out her duties

- 1
- 2.
- 3.

Increase transparency and accountability, combat and prevent corruption

Structural dialogue with Civil Society

# Priority area: Strengthen Rule of Law

**PRIORITY ACTION:** capacity strengthening of institutions responsible for safeguarding RoL. (legislation, prosecution, judicial organisation)

*What was promised:*

*What was done:*

Program 'Modernizing of Judicial organisation' [7]

2015: capacity building for effectiveness of judicial personnel. No information on number of participants and results [18]

2016: Call of interest for Courses to become judges. No information on number of registrations or the start date of the course. [8]

2016: Min. Of Justice & Police, prepares Multi-Country proposal "Support to the Effectiveness of Criminal Justice systems in the Caribbean" for EU/Cariforum (with Guyana and T&T) No further info. [13]



**QUALITATIVE (NARRATIVE)  
ANALYSIS OF THEMATIC POLICY  
AREAS**

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## Priorities

## • Thematic Conclusions

Strengthen Rule of Law

- 14 single actions for strengthening Rule of Law
- E.g. introduction of process rules, ethical codes for judges, lawyers, bailiffs)

Increase effectiveness of State for equitable distribution of benefits, growth and prosperity

- Financial crisis-lots of actions – increase in social benefits; growing poverty; Choice of actions corruption sensitive, inefficient, non-transparent, no follow up.

Increase transparency and accountability, combat and prevent corruption

- Very little legislation- Local government legislation not addressed; No: Anticorruption Legislation, Freedom of Information Legislation, Legislation Constitutional Court

Structural dialogue with Civil Society

- limited to ad hoc information sharing (3 times in 3 years), no space for real dialogue.

- Rule of Law under pressure. But no policy intentions declared, so no monitoring as such (lesson learned)

# QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS PER THEME

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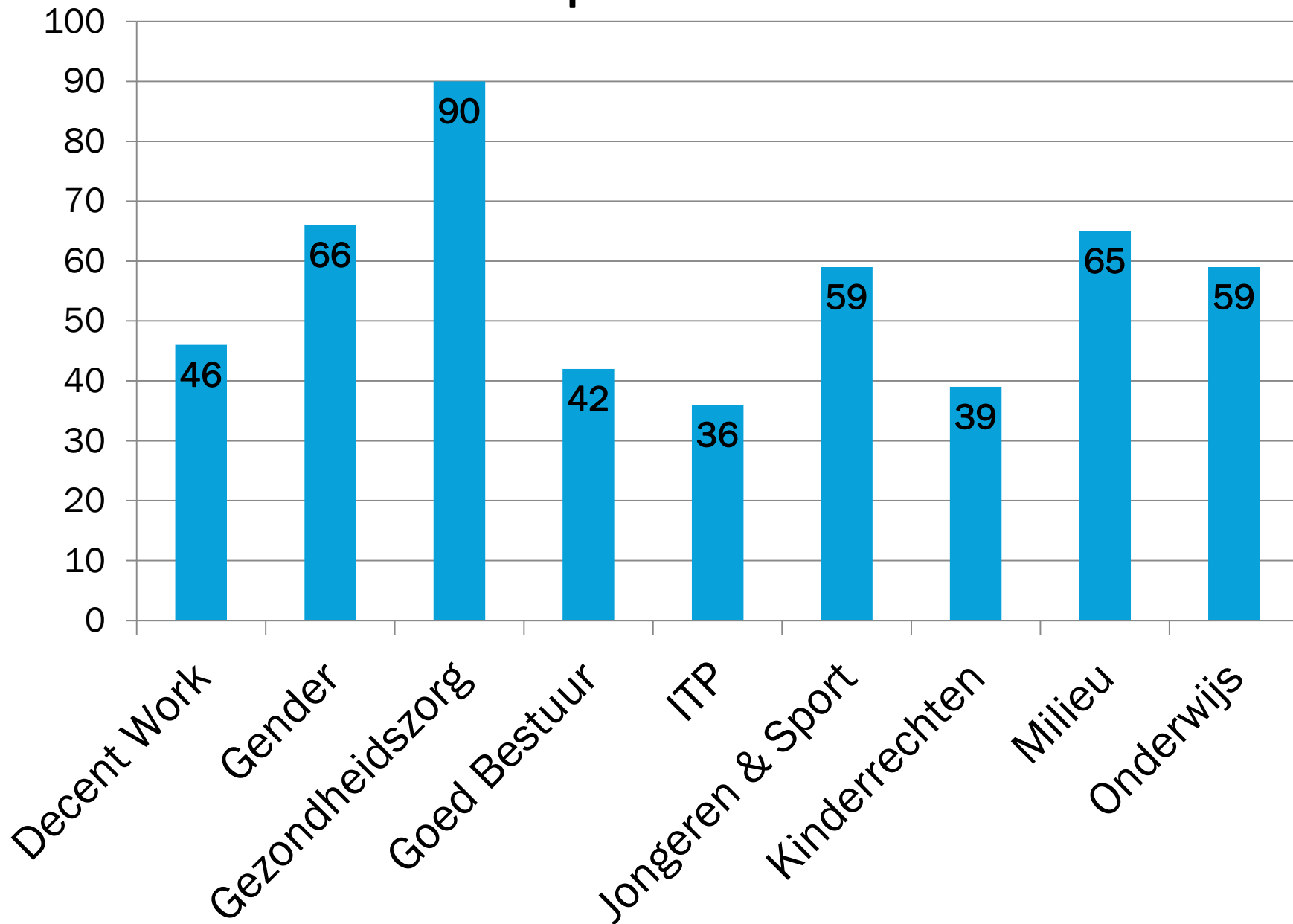
Type of actions	# actions	%
Capacity strengthening	6	14.3
Awareness	2	4.8
Legislative	7	16.7
Research / Evaluation	1	2.4
Service Delivery	10	23.8
Infrastructure	1	2.4
Institutionalisation	9	21.4
Networking	2	4.8
Various/mixed	1	2.4
Other	3	7.1
Totaal	42	100.0

BINI-priority areas	#actions	%
Make public parliamentary proceedings	1	1.8
Capacity of institutes to safeguard RoL	12	21.4
Effectiveness of State for equitable distribution	14	25.0
Independence of Accountability institutions (e.g Supreme Audit Institution)	3	5.4
Strengthen internal audit departments at Ministries	1	1.8
Freedom of Information Legislation	1	1.8
National Corruption Prevention program	1	1.8
Transparency and Accountability (general)	3	5.4
Totaal	61	

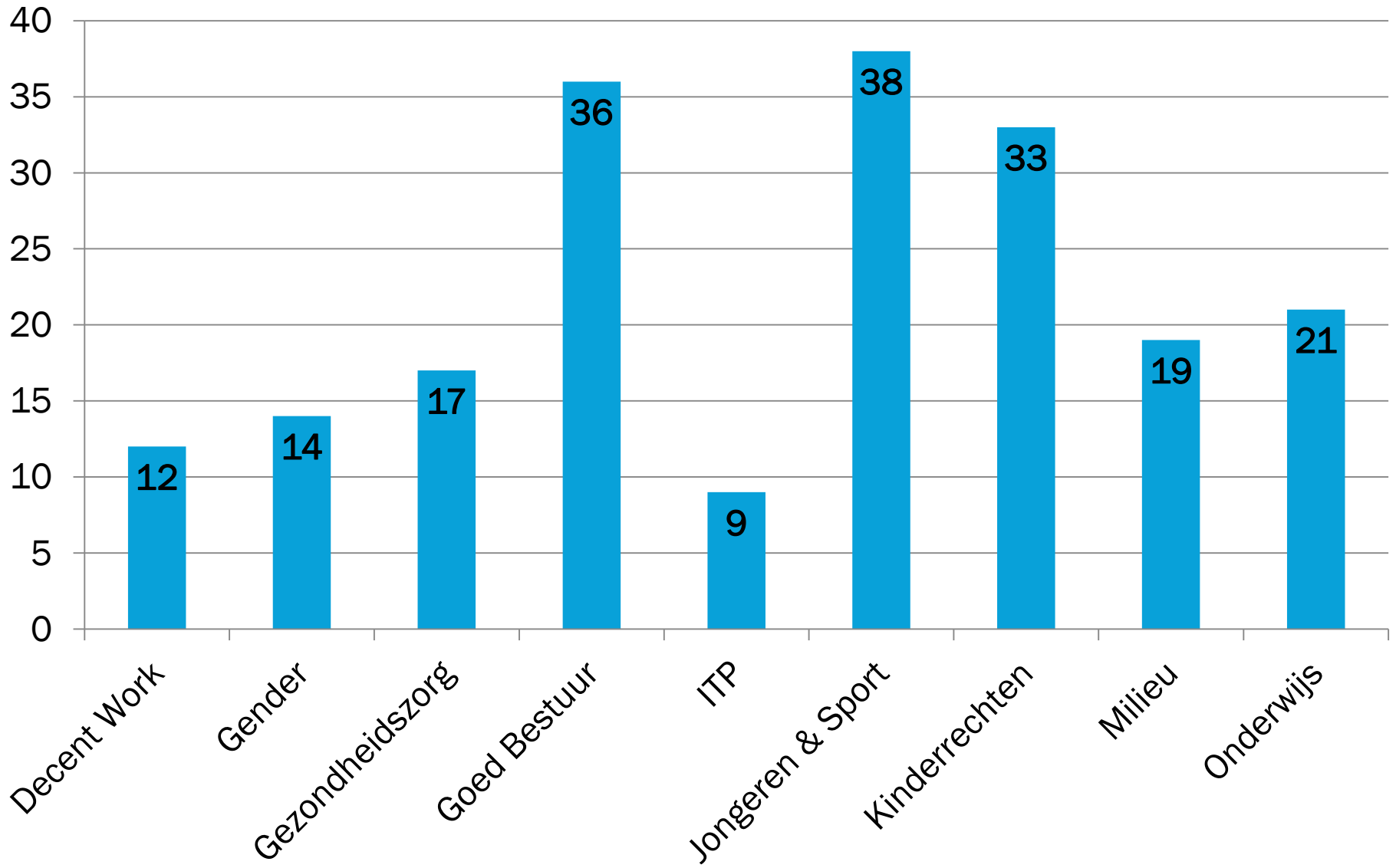
# COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF THEMATIC POLICY AREAS

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# # actions per thematic area

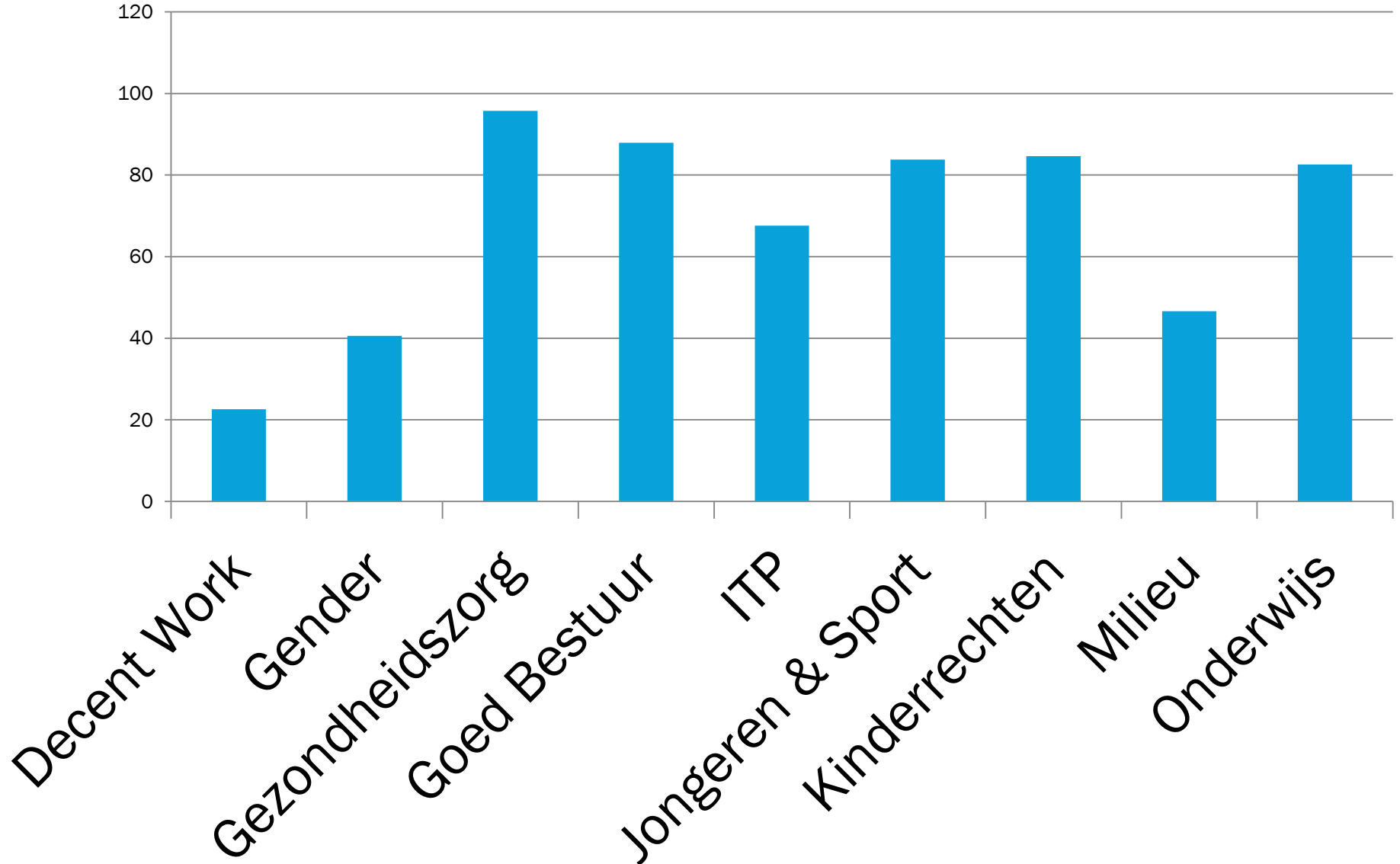


## # policy intentions per theme





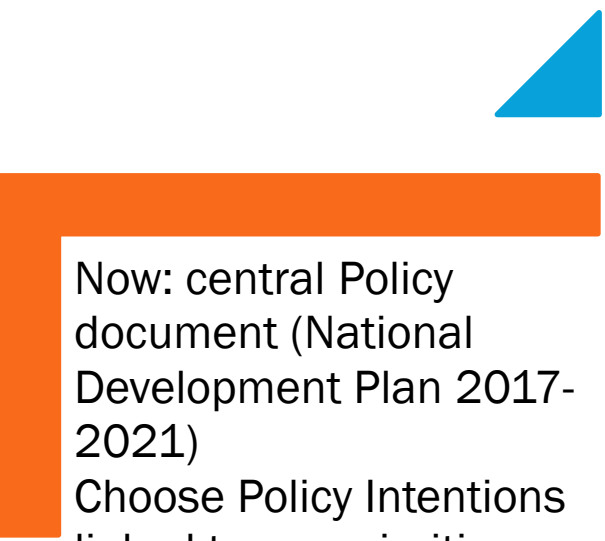
## # of actions linked to a specific intention



# Overall Conclusions

- Planning cycle & National Planning System inadequate
- No integrated approach to complex development issues
- Lack of strategic planning at all levels
- Lack of capacity to translate policy intentions into actions
- No link between intentions and budgets
- No budgetary monitoring; no financial reporting per policy/action
- Absolute lack of monitoring and evaluation
- No evidence-based policy possible

# The future of BINI's policy monitoring



Now: central Policy document (National Development Plan 2017-2021)  
Choose Policy Intentions linked to our priorities



## Phase 2 of Monitoring

- Streamline Monitoring (less priorities)
- Rudimentary budget monitoring
- Civil Society Issue papers for Int. reports



## Phase 3 of Monitoring

- Outcome and impact of policy in real life
- Link BINI to community organisations
- Direct impact & statistical changes

# BINI

- PROJEKTA
- VES (Association of Economists)
- VSB (Trade & Industry Association)
- VIDS (Assoc. Of Indigenous Tribal Leaders)
- Tropenbos International Suriname
- Green Heritage Fund Suriname)
- Fnd. Education
- Stichting Onderwijs EBGs
- Fnd. Ultimate Purpose
- Women's Rights Centre
- Women's Parliamentary Forum
- Global Shapers Paramaribo
- Fnd. Stas Caribe
- Foundation for Human Development
- ICT association
- University Institute Child Rights
- Assoc. Of Gay Professionals (Parea)
- WWF
- Monique Essed-Fernandes
- Antoon Grunberg
- Fenna Walhain
- Nancy del Prado
- Hans Lim A Po
- Camille Essed
- Jacintha Dundas- Jong A Lock
- Aroen Gangaram Panday
- LGBT Platform Suriname
- Assoc of Okanisi Tribes.

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