# Progress in fighting global hunger should be especially celebrated by women

**Hasanur Rahman Tanzir –** The Global Alliance against Hunger is the great asset of the Brazilian presidency vis-à-vis the Group of 20 in 2024 and the best news for women in the last month. “Hunger has the face of a woman and the voice of a child. Even though they prepare most of the meals and grow most of the food, women and girls are the majority of hungry people worldwide,” stated President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva in Rio de Janeiro, during the ministerial meeting of the Task Force against Hunger and Poverty.

On the occasion, the leaders of the member countries and those invited to the Summit agreed to establish the Alliance, which will facilitate technical and financial partnerships, allowing countries to join and implement programs to combat hunger and poverty.

The Task Force for the Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty is made up of the Ministry of Social Development and Assistance, Family, and the Fight against Hunger (Ministério do Desenvolvimento e Assistência Social, Família e Combate à Fome /MDS), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ministério das Relações Exteriores /MRE), and the Ministry of Finance (Ministério da Fazenda /MF).

Against another kind of poverty: time poverty
In Brazil, black and mixed-race women face greater income disparities, as well as barriers to education and employment. There are also clear disparities in the amount of time women devote to housework and caring for others. In 2022, women spent nearly twice as much time as men doing this invisible work.

According to Oxfam, if the invisible work done by women were paid a minimum wage, this would mean an injection of 10.8 trillion dollars a year into the world economy.