

Building capacities of National Statistical Systems for Monitoring SDG Indicators

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What do we challenge?

1. Face the challenges (in and out INSTAT) in framework of SDG ,

- Moving from MDG (60 Indicators) to SDG (above 200)
- Integrate the SDG in National development Strategies
- The long list of indicators need to be aligned with national indicators
- Tools need to be develop in order to measure them
- Line ministries, municipalities, also the parliament are not yet familiar with SDG, targets, indicators the way how the SDG can be implemented and the way progress can be measured

What do we challenge?

2. Face challenges as Institute of statistics

- Strengthening institutions and production processes
- The statistical framework for producing high quality SDG indicators
- Overcome the difficulties with coordination role of statistical system
- Collecting and using administrative data

What do we challenge?

3. International Perspectives on Integration Statistics

- Methodological consistency for an integrated monitoring architecture
- National ownership of SDG indicators and consolidation of reporting

Considering Current situation (INSTAT and UN Agencies) are making efforts to face the challenges

1. INSTAT role in Transforming the National Statistical Systems for Monitoring SDG Indicators'

- Considers the **need for integration** of statistics, and the role of the international organisation as facilitators in the process
- Discusses **benefits accruing to national policy-making** and the SDG monitoring process following integration of statistics
- Lays out a **transformative roadmap** for aligning SDG monitoring mechanisms with the international statistical standard

Is jointly expressed the interest in continuing the dialogue in a structure manner - JOINT DATA GROUP

Objectives of JDG

- To serve as a forum for discussion between INSTAT, international organization and various national organization about data collection and analysis
 - Coordination, Information info sharing function and support function
- Coordinated UN and international partners' support for development of INSTAT 5 year strategy in order to integrate the SDGs in national policy documents

JDG will

- Keep the stakeholders abreast of and share knowledge on INSTAT's activities in the field of data collection and analysis
- Facilitate informed and substantive discussion among national and international agencies and with INSTAT, in relation to national efforts to improve data collection, analysis and sharing as well as capacity building
- Engagement at both central and local government bodies and dependent institution as appropriate
- Organize and promote coordination and joint advocacy activities around data collection with a specific focus SDGs
- Build on a MoU between INSTAT and Parliament concerning the sharing of information on the importance and relevance of data as well as on SDGs and relevant indicators

How we will proceed towards an Integration of Statistical Systems

- **National statistical system is operating in a national context:**
- Involvement of different institutions (Parliament, central and local institution),
- Support to design the policy frameworks (participate in the design process for strategies and policy documents)
- Monitoring process at the national level
- **International Organizations support and assist INSTAT to carry out its mission and face the challenge:**
- Build up capacities of human resource: SCHOOL OF STATISTICS (within INSTAT)
- Support in improving methodologies and standards

Duties and responsibilities of INSTAT in the process are distinct but complementary:

- **Statistical Frameworks:** Guide the whole (national) production process through a systems approach to collecting, harmonizing, organizing, and presenting statistical information
 - Follow the standard definitions, classifications and related methods for compiling statistics
 - Lead the calculation of indicators
 - Value proposals (done by stakeholders) and ensure if indicators are defined and compiled in a methodologically coherent way, through an efficient production process
- **Indicator Frameworks :** facilitate the choice of indicators for different thematic aspects of sustainable development

Specific duties and responsibilities of other stakeholders in the framework of Joint Data Group

- Various organization can assist
 - Indicators will be based on proposals by experts in given thematic areas
 - Where relevant, **existing monitoring mechanisms** should work to align with the Statistical Standard
 - Where **new mechanisms** are being set up, they will be established in alignment with the Statistical Standard

Composition of JDG:

- Representative of INSTAT
- Data specialist within international organisations
- Representatives of Strategic development
Departments in central level
- Academic community
- Representatives from line ministries

Further steps

- **Two processes must take place:**
 1. National ownership of information for integrated decision making and international reporting:
 2. In order to implement the International Statistical Standards, capacity building of internal resources of INSTAT and of statistical system should take place

Thank you for
attention

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