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The Cohesion with National Strategies and Programs



- The National Development Strategy and policy of Mongolia
- MDG of Mongolia
- Action Plan of the Government of Mongolia
- Documents of sectoral development strategies, policies and programs ("E-Mongolia" and others)
- Programs and projects with international organizations (such as PRGF, PRSP and others)
- International common standards and recommendations (SNA 93)

Assessment of Data Requirements



- National development policy, strategy and programs
- The initiatives, programs and plans of international cooperation agencies
- Emerging socio-economic issues
- Feedback from the users (government agencies, the public, private sectors, civil society, private and partner international agencies)
- International common standards and recommendations

Legal basis of the Program



“Law on Statistics” of Mongolia. Chapter 12.
3rd Paragraph.1.16 states

“NSO should develop mid term program to estimate official statistics indicators and conduct census and surveys, submit for approval to the State Great Khural”

Mid term Program for Official Statistical Development /2006-2010/



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- Approved by 7th Resolution of the State Great Khural (Parliament) in 2006,
 - A Policy Document, which formulated objectives and goals, policy, steps, management, organization and funding for implementing program and outputs as a results of implementation program of mid term activities based on current achievements

“GOOD” Strategic Statistical Planning Process and Strategic Statistical Plan



(1) The statistical planning process is well integrated into the national development planning process;
(2) The statistical planning process includes ample deliberations on means to secure strong political commitment and support;
(3) The planning process reviews carefully whether the existing legal provisions are adequate;
(4) The planning process involves relevant parties at appropriate stages, placing emphasis on consultation and consensus reaching;
(5) The planning process is aimed to create a favorable environment for statistical development;
(6) The planning process makes close reference to the UN Principles of Official Statistics while it proceeds;
(7) The planning process devotes considerable efforts to balancing the national needs and the country's international obligations;
(8) The planning process adopts a truly strategic approach, whereby multi-level planning activities are involved;
(9) The planning process incorporates result-based principles, including the reference to results of cost-benefit analysis and value-for-money study of statistical programs.

(1) The plan contains ample action measures on advocacy;
(2) The plan contains action directives to enhance co-ordination;
(3) The plan addresses the establishment and updating of a sound statistical infrastructure and caters for the production consistent and coherent data series across different statistical subject matter areas;
(4) The plan spells out how both immediate data needs and long term data needs may both be catered for;
(5) The plan contains deliberations and decisions on the allocation of responsibilities to different parties concerned;
(6) In recognition of the great importance of a good relationship with the mass media;
(7) The plan contains action programs on research on the actual application of statistics in national planning and policy analysis activities;
(8) The plan stipulates means to secure financial resources, human resources and other resources, both for the short term and the long term.

Putting the Program Together



- UNDP and other UN specialized agencies
- World Bank
- ADB
- European Union, TACIS program
- Australian Statistics Bureau
- Government ministries and Agencies Mongolia
- Other agencies

Contents of Program for Official Statistical Development /2006-2010/



1. Purpose and implementation period of the Program
2. Principal objectives of official statistics in Mongolia
3. Sub objectives
4. Funding for the Program
5. Management and organization of the Program
6. Expected outputs

Principal Objective of Official Statistics in Mongolia



- To develop a set of national standards, which public needs and are based on internationally accepted methodologies, provide users with a high quality statistical information service by introducing up- to-date information technologies into statistical activities.

Sub-Objectives of the Official Statistical Activities



- For the strategy of macro economic statistics
- For the economic statistics strategy
- For population and social statistics strategy
- For statistical methodologies, survey and research strategy
- For Strategy of information technology
- For Human resource management strategy
- For International relations and cooperation strategy

Expected Outputs of the Program



- Quality and timely statistical information services confirmed with user needs and developed by internationally accepted methodologies.
- Improved data coverage, accuracy, reliability and timeliness of data regard with providing a possibility to use updated information based user-producer mutual trust.
- Statistical agency would be developed as a science based agency.
- The official statistics development would attain level of statistics of advanced countries regard to fully implementing SNA 93 and introducing international common methodologies into the statistical activities.

Funding of the Mid term Program



Required funding for program implementation is estimated as 12 billion tugrugs stated in the resolution of State Great Khural and the Government has charged with budget required funding and distribution of financial aids made by foreign partners and donors.

Master Plan for Implementing Mid term Program



- Approved by the National Statistical Council Meeting,

February 17th, 2006

Master Plan includes

- Total number of 288 Expected outputs, Mid Term Program defines the content, and the responsible parties for implementation.

A Monitoring, Evaluation and Report of the Program



- National Statistical Council
- Internal monitoring and evaluation
- Feedback of the users
- Reporting to the State Great Khural (Parliament)
- Others

Some Issues in Program Implementation



- To regularly evaluate implementation and make necessary clarifications on "Master plan" and form result-based planning and management;
- To pay special attention to strength capacity of NSO, ensure adequacy of budget and improve utilization of assistances of the partners
- To expand scope of international, regional and bilateral cooperation; need special attention on improvement of cohesion and efficiency of projects, programs and steps to be implemented especially in the share of good statistical practices including issue on statistical strategic planning

Concluding Remarks



- Implementation of the Program of Official Statistical Development will require commitment and efforts from not only statistical organizations, but also from every organization and individual, who are contributing to the social and economic development of the country and united efforts of partners with multilateral and bilateral cooperation is critical for success.

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