Review Implementation of the RPES at National Level

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Introduction

- National Statistical System of Pakistan--PBS
- Restructuring of National Statistical System 2007-2011
  - NSDS in PARIS21 perspective
  - Consultations and International coordination with DFID and GIZ
  - General Statistics (Reorganization) Act, 2011--Merging
- Transition period of Restructuring 2012 and onward
  - New Building– Statistics House
  - Human resource and IT development
    - Members appointment, Cobol—VB.net, Stand alone sys –server workstation network, web based application
  - NSDS activities implementation
  - International Training Institute Lahore
1. Update on Advocacy and Co-ordination

1.1 Production of the Core Set of economic Statistics is part of NSDS mainly focused on;
   i. Sixth Population Census
   ii. Rebasin of National Accounts 2015-16 in accordance with SNA 2008
   iii. Combined Agriculture Census

1.3 The strategy almost covers all domains of the Core Set but some indicators are lacking behind.
   i. PBS is trying to build capacity for economic statistics
   ii. National coordination of the economic statistics stakeholders

1.5 Specific Plans:
   - Launched Surveys: SHMI, Construction, Rent
   - Upcoming: CMI 2015-16

### Weaknesses in Core Set

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Capacity Screening Survey

2. Updates on progress made to improve statistical capacity and production since the last capacity screening exercise
   1. Initiatives:
      1. Rural and Urban frame updation
      2. Use of Tablets—World bank project, GAT Survey
      3. Review of existing module of PSLM survey in the light of SDGs
   2. Infrastructure:
      1. Quality assurance framework (QAF)—GDDS
      2. Metadata repository,
      3. Business register,

3. Technical assistance/ Training needed in development of:
   1. Short term indicators (STI), I/O Tables, Environmental Accounts, Institutional Accounts, Informal Economy, Agriculture Satellite A/C
   2. Natural resources indicators,
   3. Business register
   4. Metadata repository

4. Technical Cooperation projects:
   1. Population Census: since 2008-Demand on annual review- UNFPA
5. Discussion regarding SDGs
   - Goal 1: End Poverty—Updating PSLM survey Module
   - Goal 2 (3.8): Ensure healthy lives—National Health Accounts
   - Goal 1·6: in the light of PSLM survey
   - Goal 7: Energy Access—Energy Statistics
   - Goal 8: Inclusive and sustainable economic growth and employment
     : National Accounts and Labour force Survey
   - Goal 9: Infrastructure and Industrialization—Industrial statistics

Future Considerations

- Steering group of PBS, State Bank and Ministry of Finance to evaluate Economic Statistics Indicators as per UNESCAP Standards
- Develop National Economics Statistics Development Plan (NESDP) 2020 to address the Core Set
- Professionally competent workforce and a highly professional management in PBS
- Strong research and analytical capabilities
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