

Agenda item 5

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Agenda item 5: Vital statistics production, dissemination and usage: harnessing civil registration data for decision-making

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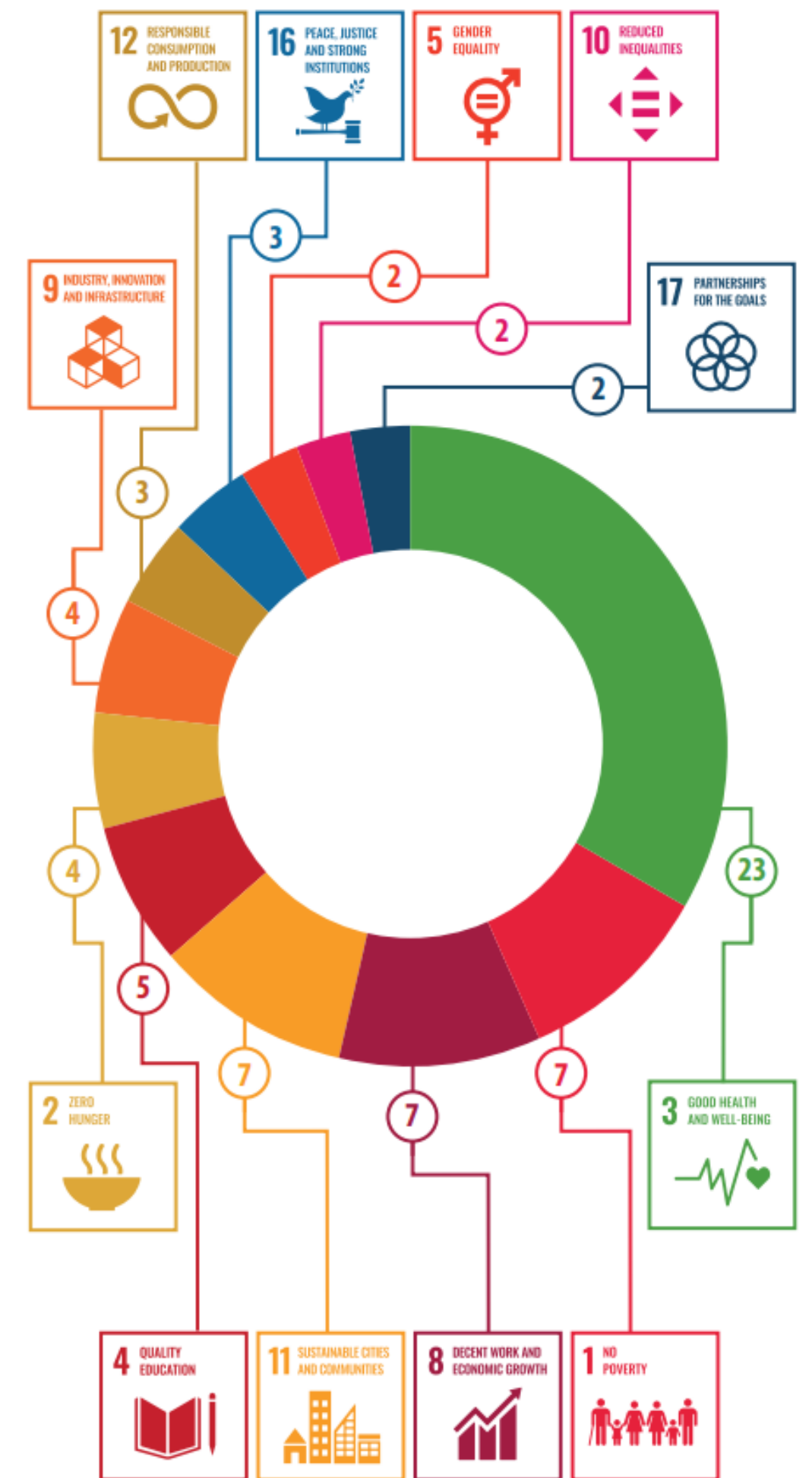
Agenda item 5: Documentation

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- Vital statistics production, dissemination and usage: harnessing civil registration data for decision-making (ESCAP/MCCRVS/2021/5)

Agenda item 5: Importance of civil registration and vital statistics data

67 SDG indicators benefit from civil registration and vital statistics data



Agenda item 5: Goal 3 – Regional Action Framework for CRVS

- **Goal 3 requires accelerated action**

Areas	Actioned	Being actioned	Need for action
Birth registration	2A	1A 1B	
Death registration	2B	1D	
Cause of death recording	1E		3D
Vital statistics			3F 3G 3H

Agenda item 5: Findings – status of vital statistics production, dissemination and usage



Target 3.F: 28 countries reported using registration records for producing annual vital statistics on births and deaths, within one calendar year



Target 3.G: 29 countries reported using registration records for producing annual vital statistics on causes of death, within two calendar years



Target 3.H: 28 countries reported using registration records for producing an accurate, complete and timely vital statistics report for the previous two years

Vital statistics & gender: Many national statistical systems in the region rely on censuses and household surveys for the production and dissemination of gender statistics and sex-disaggregated population statistics. Vital statistics generated from civil registration data can be further utilized, especially when engaging on key gender equality issues.

Agenda item 5: Findings - Vital statistics practices

Vital Statistics production: In some countries in Asia and the Pacific, vital statistics production from civil registration data is largely implemented through analog processes across multiple institutions and levels of government administration, including quality assurance practices.

Vital statistics usage: Although there have been increasing efforts across the Asia-Pacific region to improve vital statistics production and dissemination, support for vital statistics end users still requires attention.

Vital statistics & COVID-19: created more demand for timely, comparable, accurate and disaggregated vital statistics, particularly in the area of mortality.

- In some countries, innovative approaches to maintain death registration and cause-of-death ascertainment have been implemented during the pandemic.
- The pandemic prompted some countries in the region to increase investment in informational technology to enhance online civil registration services and ensure continuity of service provision.

Agenda item 5: Purpose

During this session, the Conference may wish to:

- Take note of the document and provide guidance and advice on how to ensure that all members and associate members achieve the goal of producing and disseminating accurate, complete and timely vital statistics, including on causes of death, based on registration records.
- Further take stock of recent innovations during the COVID-19 pandemic in improving mortality statistics production, dissemination and usage.

Agenda item 5: Programme

Speakers:

- Ms. Nuraiym Syrgak, Independent researcher, Kyrgyzstan
- Ms. Thirakha Chanthalanouvong, Director General, Department of Social Statistics, Lao Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Planning and Investment

Country Statements: