

Time Use Survey 2021

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Introduction

- ❑ Bangladesh Bureau of Statistic (BBS) conducted ‘Time Use Survey (TUS)’ in 2021 under Demography and Health Wing with technical and financial support from UN Women. It was the first time standalone national survey conducted during COIVD-19 situation.
- ❑ In 2012, BBS conducted a pilot ‘Time Use Survey’.



Objectives

✓ *Main Objective:*

The main objective of the 2021 survey was to increase visibility of unpaid domestic and care work through better statistics on their contribution to the economy.

✓ *Specific objective:*

- ❑ Profile the distribution of paid/unpaid work as a means, to identify policy/ programme implications from gender perspective.
- ❑ To monitor the SDGs using TUS data, particularly indicator 5.4.1.
- ❑ To estimate the time burden of unpaid domestic and care work on men and women as well as the time burden of total work (paid and unpaid work).
- ❑ To collect and analyze comprehensive information on how men and women spend their time on different human activities. And identify programmatic and policy solutions for unpaid care work.

Sampling Methods

- ❑ The sampled households have been selected by using two-stage stratified sampling design. In the first stage 500 Primary Sampling Units (PSUs) were selected following PPS method. In second stage 16 households were selected from each PSUs by using systematic random sampling method.
- ❑ Mapping and Listing activities in 500 Enumeration Areas (EAs) conducted during 18 – 27 October 2020.
- ❑ Training of enumerators and supervisors were arranged centrally at BBS headquarters during 16 – 21 January 2021. Separate training program was arranged for editors and coders on ICATUS. Editing and coding activities were done at BBS head office in Dhaka.
- ❑ Field data collection was done during 24 January – 12 April 2021 following face-to-face interview method.

Sampling Methods

- ❑ Individual information was collected from all 15+ years aged male and female HHs members from each selected household.
- ❑ 24 hours recall method was used to collect data. Household questionnaire and Time Diary was used for data collection from HHs. Another individual questionnaire 'Attitude Towards Gender Equality' was used for data collection from target population.
- ❑ Eight teams were formed for field work. Each team comprised 5 enumerators and 1 supervisor. Each enumerator was assigned 3 HHs per day.
- ❑ For Time Diary, 3 main activities of the respondent were recorded for each 30 minutes.
- ❑ Enumerators visited each HH 3 times, if needed.

Operation during COVID - 19

- ❑ We followed strict health measures during orientation sessions and field operation. A team of senior officials of BBS were engaged to check health status of each team deployed in different districts.
- ❑ Regular follow up with data collection teams helped to understand the field scenario. Only in one case, one enumerator was taken back as the person was not feeling well. We immediately replaced with another data enumerator to continue field operation as we had reserved data collectors.
- ❑ BBS Field Offices were mobilized to follow up with the data collectors and support (along with transport and accommodation) was provided by the field offices as required.
- ❑ Enumerators were assigned 3 HHs per day instead of 4 HHs due to COVID situation.
- ❑ In each 15 days we collected filled-in questionnaires from the field for completing editing and coding activities. It reduces time as well as helped us to assess teams performance and to guide them accordingly.

Operation during COVID - 19

- ❑ Letters from Director General, BBS were sent to each District Commissioner requesting to provide support in COVID – 19 situation when necessary.
- ❑ Each team was provided with adequate masks and sanitizers to keep them safe during data collection. Data providers were also provided masks during interview.
- ❑ Data collection required face to face interaction with the respondent, BBS took strategy to take interview in open place, no one except the interviewer was allowed during interview session.
- ❑ Each data enumerators were given adequate health and safety information to keep them safe as well as their interviewees.
- ❑ Reasonable physical distance was maintained for each interview as instructed by BBS and field supervisors.
- ❑ Local representatives supported our enumerators in motivating HHs to provide data

Lesson Learnt

- ❑ It was challenging to conduct Time Use Survey in such difficult situation like COVID-19. Keeping field enumerators and supervisors safe from infections we ensured appropriate health measures, transportation and accommodation with standard protocol.
- ❑ Regular follow with data collection teams was extremely useful to understand their health and safety condition as well as the flow of quality data collection in the field.
- ❑ BBS kept reserved data collectors in case there was any need to withdraw enumerators from the field due to sickness. However, there was only one incident occurred and BBS managed the issue instantly.
- ❑ Access to some households in city corporation areas was challenging. Interventions of local representatives and BBS headquarters were needed to solve the issue.

Future Plan

- ❑ Using the Time Use Survey 2021 data, the time use pattern of both female and male (aged 15 years and above) in unpaid domestic and care work will be assessed as a satellite account using International Classification of Activities for Time Use Statistics (ICATUS) 2016.
- ❑ Preliminary Report will be published in December 2021

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