The Viet Nam government's e-government development strategy has a vision for Viet Nam to be one of the top 30 countries worldwide in terms of e-government and digital government. The strategy identifies five key target groups, including:

- Providing high-quality services to society;
- Broadening public engagement;
- Improving state agency operations;
- Effectively address important issues in socioeconomic growth;
- Have a breakthrough change in the national ranking for E-Government, Digital Government, E-Participation and Open Data as assessed by the United Nations.

The role of state management in statistics, statistical data governance and stewardship includes:

- Building a National Statistical Information System;
- Manage and coordinate collection activities;
- Managing the National Statistical Database System;
- Monitor data via appraisal and inspection; and
- Publish statistical information.

The General Statistics Office (GSO) advises the Minister of Planning and Investment on data issues. The Law of statistics includes the use of administrative data as well as survey operations. The GSO is responsible for leading data governance including on the use of data and dissemination of data. They set up and implement the centralised data governance model with a vertically decentralised system. They connect, share statistics, administrative data with ministries, branches, departments and localities from the provincial to the commune level.

Vietnam’s issued new regulations in Decree No. 13/2023/ND-CP on the Protection of Personal Data was issued on 17 April 2023 (“PDPD”). This comprehensive regulation marks a significant step forward in the country’s efforts to safeguard individuals’ personal information and privacy rights. The Decree took effect on 1 July 2023, and applies to both local and offshore entities involved in personal data processing.

The GSO are responsible for formulating the national statistical reporting regime, the set of statistical reporting forms at the provincial, district and commune levels and the statistical reporting regime of the statistics sector through the National Statistical Survey Program. They set up and implement the centralised data governance model with a vertically decentralised system. They connect, share statistics, administrative data with ministries, branches, departments and localities from the provincial to the commune level.

The GSO have a national statistical data system with three service centres in Ha Noi, Da Nang and Ho Chi Minh City with provincial centres which report through to these service centres.

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