Visit of Nepal Government
Production of Vital Statistics and Improvement of Demographic Skills

18-21 July 2023
9:00-16:30 hrs. (UTC+7, Bangkok time)
Bangkok, Thailand
Work of ESCAP Statistics Division: Focus on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics
VISION: ... by 2030, national statistical systems are enabled and empowered to lead development of and to deliver innovative, trusted and timely products and services for urgently needed and evolving statistical requirements of Agenda 2030.

- Engaging users and investing in statistics
- Assuring quality and instilling trust in statistics
- Integrated statistics for integrated analysis
- Modernizing statistical business processes
- Having requisite skills set
How do we do this?

- Convening
- Technical Assistance
- Knowledge Sharing
Statistics Division – Convening role

Regional Steering Group for Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS)
Regional Steering Group on Population and Social Statistics
Regional Steering Group on Economic Statistics
Technical Working Group (TWG) on Disaster-related Statistics in Asia and the Pacific
Statistics Division – Technical Assistance

Regional Advisers
- SDG Statistics
- Environmental

Tools
- National SDG Tracker
- Every Policy is Connected Tool
- Hot Spot Tool

Training and Guides
- Guideline on data integration

Send requests for technical assistance to Jan Smit Regional Adviser at stat.unescap@un.org
Statistics Division – Knowledge Sharing

SDG GATEWAY
Asia Pacific

Stats Café
Good coffee makes your day, but good data helps you decide.

Working paper series

Beyond GDP
The idea of global sustainability accounting
Michael Barnett & Merit Sauer

CRVS Insight Newsletter

Stats brief

Blogs

Get every one in the picture
Links to training opportunities

Training on official statistics

Variety of courses including on data analytics
Civil Registration and Vital Statistics
Asia-Pacific Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Decade, 2015-2024

“By 2024, all people in Asia and the Pacific benefit from universal and responsive CRVS systems that facilitate the realization of their rights and support good governance, health and development”

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Commitment by 2024

Universal civil registration of births, deaths and other vital events;

All individuals are provided with legal documentation of civil registration of births, deaths and other vital events, as necessary, to claim identity, civil status and ensuing rights.

Accurate, complete and timely vital statistics (including causes of death) are produced based on registration records and are disseminated.
Key targets of Nepal

1A: Percentage of births registered within one year of occurrence: 99% in 2024

1D: Percentage of deaths registered within one year of occurrence: 80% in 2024

3A: Nationally representative statistics on births are produced from registration records or other valid administrative data sources: 2024

National CRVS focal point of Nepal for the initiative: Mr. Jitendra Basnet, Director General, Department of National ID and Civil Registration, Ministry of Home Affairs
A look back at our midterm review (latest snapshot)
Birth registration: Progress is bridging the gap between regions (2014-2018)
Achivements

The number of children under five in Asia and the Pacific whose birth was never registered decreased from 135 million in 2012 to 64 million in 2019.

1 in 5 still unregistered in 2019

South and South-West Asia | 50.2 million

South-East Asia | 9.5 million

East and North-East Asia | 3.5 million

Pacific: 30% of children under five in Pacific whose birth has never been registered.

Highest

Fig. 1 Number and percentage of children under five whose birth has never been registered
Death registration:
Less incentives, lower completeness
Increased attention due to COVID-19 (2014-2018)
As birth and death registrations improve, more countries are regularly using civil registration records for vital statistics.
ESCAP Support to countries for achieving the Goals of the Decade

- Vital Statistics
- Assessment of inequalities related to CRVS
- Use of data for policies
- Review and redesign of CRVS business processes
- Knowledge sharing (briefs, newsletter, website, …)
ESCAP Support – Vital Statistics

- **Objective**: Publication of a vital statistics report
- **Targets**: Countries which are starting to use civil registration records for vital statistics
- **Agencies involved**: National Statistical Office, Civil Registration Office, Ministry of Health
- **Type of intervention**: Regional or country workshops
- **Documentation**: [Production of Vital Statistics Guide, Rev. 1](#)
ESCAP Support – Inequality Assessment

- **Objective**: Report on presenting differences in civil registration rates of different subgroups of the population

- **Targets**: Countries with easily available civil registration data and other data sources allowing to analyze the completeness of civil registration (census, surveys, sample registration system)

- **Agencies involved**: National Statistical Office, Civil Registration Office, Ministry of Health

- **Type of intervention**: Regional or country workshops

- **Documentation**: Guidelines for estimating completeness of civil registration of vital events
ESCAP Support – Evidence to Actions

**Objective:** Engage with policymakers to make evidence, including gender considerations, accessible and to ensure uptake

**Targets:** Countries where ESCAP has been active with other CRVS support

**Agencies involved:** National Statistical Office, data users, other CRVS stakeholders

**Type of intervention:** Country workshops
ESCAP Support – CRVS Business Process Improvement

**Objective:** Review and redesign CRVS business processes (e.g., birth registration)

**Targets:** Countries desiring to make their civil registration system more people centric

**Agencies involved:**
Civil Registration Office, Ministry of Health, Courts

**Type of intervention:**
Regional or country workshops

**Documentation:**
CRVS Systems Improvement Framework
ESCAP Support – Knowledge Sharing

2023 Asia-Pacific CRVS Research Forum

Date: Monday 3–Tuesday 4 April 2023
Time: 09:00-17:00
Virtual event

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