

<Policies to achieve SDG 1, "End poverty in all its forms everywhere">

Especially for target 1.3, "Implement nationally appropriate social protection systems"

Target 1.3

Implement nationally appropriate social protection systems and measures for all, including floors, and by 2030 achieve substantial coverage of the poor and the vulnerable

Due to the recent economic slowdown and population ageing, the demand and budget for welfare have continued to rise. However, the policy impact remains relatively low.

To better cope with the situation, the government has made a number of policy efforts. For starters, customized welfare is being expanded across all sectors in the way people can feel the real effect of this policy. Consider the reform of the Basic Livelihood Security Program (BLSP), which was designed to provide support for households with the income below the minimum cost of living. The reform of BLSP in July 2015 changed the eligibility income criteria from the minimum cost of living to the **median income** which is higher than minimum cost of living, and introduced a customized benefit system which set different income eligibility criteria for 4 types of benefits, including livelihood, housing, medical and educational benefits. As a result, recipients do not lose all the benefits abruptly even when their incomes slightly exceed the eligibility criteria. Housing and other necessary benefits are still provided to help them avoid the sudden shock of reduced income and to keep them motivated to work toward self-sufficiency.

Especially for target 1.b, "Create sound policy framework at the national levels to support accelerated investment in poverty eradication actions"

Target 1.b

Create sound policy frameworks at the national, regional and international levels, based on pro-poor and gender-sensitive development strategies, to support accelerated investment in poverty eradication actions

The Social Security Committee was established in 2013. The Committee aims to ensure the effectiveness and sustainability of welfare financing by evaluating the effectiveness of social security programs, coordinating similar or overlapping programs and requiring pre-consultation before launching new programs.

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<Policies to achieve SDG 3, "Ensure health lives and promote well-being for all at all ages">

Especially for target 3.8 "Universal health coverage including financial risk protection"

Target 3.8

Achieve universal health coverage, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all

Health insurance coverage is being expanded. In 2013, we started gradually expanding coverage for the 4 severe diseases, including cancer, cardiovascular, cerebrovascular, and rare diseases, which put huge pressure on household finances. Furthermore, patient burden will be significantly reduced to only 5-10% of the total cost for medical services categorized as essential.

<Policies to achieve SDG 5, "Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls">

Especially for target 5.4 "provide of public services, infrastructure and social protection policies"

Target 5.4

Recognize and value unpaid care and domestic work through the provision of public services, infrastructure and social protection policies and the promotion of shared responsibility within the household and the family as nationally appropriate

Childcare services will be customized to the practical needs of parents, moving away from uniform childcare in the past. There will be more options for childcare hours to choose from; 12-hour or all-day childcare services for working parents and families with multiple children or disabilities; and 7-hour customized childcare services for the rest of families with children. Plus, extended-hour childcare services is available for families working the night shift or having other demands.

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□ 개최배경

- 신년을 맞이하여 기관별 업무현황과 계획을 공유하고 애로 및 지원 사항 등을 논의함으로써 효과적인 업무수행 도모
- 대사관 업무 분야별 당부사항 전달

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□ 진행순서

1. 대사 인사
2. 기관별 2013년도 업무계획 보고
- 각 기관당 3~5분 정도
3. 대사관 전달사항 전달(경제, 영사, 사건·사고 분야)
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