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Regional Strategy on Population and Social Statistics

Regional Steering Group on Population and Social Statistics



Brief Background

- The Committee on Statistics of ESCAP on its fifth session in December 2017 endorsed the Implementation Plan of the Regional Strategy to Improve Population and Social Statistics in Asia and the Pacific (RSIPSSAP), which includes the terms of reference of a Regional Steering Group (RSG) to oversee the implementation plan.
- The RSG consists of senior statisticians and experts from 28 member States and 9 international agencies.
- The first meeting of the RSG reviewed its mandates; identified priority issues and specific modalities to advance the Implementation Plan of the RSIPSSAP; and finalized a work plan to achieve the three goals in implementing the RSIPSSAP.



Proposed work plan for the Regional Steering Group on Population and Social Statistics in Asia and the Pacific

Goal 1: Enable policy environment and maintain demand & support

- Develop and pilot a generic inclusive policy assessment tool for identifying needs for data and statistics on vulnerable population groups
- Assess national and sectoral policy priorities, identify data disaggregation requirements for monitoring national and sectoral plans
- Conduct gap analysis for data and statistics in selected countries looking through existing indicator frameworks / data ecosystem
- Formulate a data improvement plan at the national level engaging all stakeholders
- Produce guidelines for developing/revisiting indicators framework for national & Sectoral plans based on the policy assessment results
- Develop disaggregation strategy as part of the national statistical development policies
- Compile good practices and develop guidelines in applying generic assessment tool
- Develop advocacy tools on use of evidence for making policy formulation and monitoring more inclusive



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Goal 2: Improve availability and quality of disaggregated statistics

- Apply statistical methods to produce disaggregated statistics (including subjective areas) that are required by sectoral policies (including data integration, SAE, synthetic population generation, and record linkage)
- Develop guidelines, case studies and good practices on applying statistical methods (based on real experiments at the national level) that increase availability and use of disaggregated statistics, through joint (national and international) research programme
- Develop Training materials/courses (national and regional) on methods and tools for data disaggregation based on application of the guidelines and tools

Goal 3: Data accessibility, analysis, interpretation and use

- Develop a template and guidelines for conducting disparity analysis on PSS
- Conduct thematic disparity analysis on PSS
- Assist countries to establish Integrated dissemination platforms for monitoring national SDGs
- Improve capacity of producers and users on data analysis and interpretation
- Improve communication skills of staff (including senior management) of NSOs
- Improve capacity of NSOs for outreaching the media, public and academia



Implementation

- Goal 1 - development and implementation of the policy-data integration toolkit (EPIC) -- (with pilots or planned pilots in Fiji, Samoa, Vanuatu, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Armenia and Thailand (on a range of sectors, including women's economic empowerment)
- Goal 3 - applying ESCAP progress assessment methods to women's economic empowerment issues at the national level.

Issues to be brought to the Attention of CST

- The RSG-PSS is endorsing the Policy-Data Integration toolkit and its operationalization across countries in the region.



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Thank you