UNSD-DFID PROJECT ON SDG MONITORING

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• Funded by DFID, implemented by UNSD
• Signed December 2016, runs through June 2021
• Total budget £6.6 million
• 20 countries across Africa and Asia
Project countries

Bangladesh  Ghana  Liberia  Palestine  Uganda
Burundi  Jordan  Mozambique  Rwanda  Viet Nam
Cambodia  Kyrgyzstan  Myanmar  Tajikistan  Zambia
Ethiopia  Lao PDR  Nepal  Tanzania  Zimbabwe
Project goals

Effective monitoring of the SDGs and improved evidence-based policy making

- Improved **capacity** of project countries to support SDG monitoring
- Increased **availability** of SDG Indicators at National and International levels
- Improved **coordination** of National Statistical Systems around SDG indicators
UNSD-DFID Project on SDG Monitoring
Make SDG data open and available to the widest possible audience.

For more info: https://unstats.un.org/capacity-building/UNSD-DFID/
What does the project cover?

Activities and tools which help in making national and global SDG indicators available to users

- SDG capacity gap assessments -> SDG monitoring strategies
- National dissemination platforms
- SDG Metadata compilation
- Data and metadata exchange
- Coordination of NSS – data sharing arrangements
- Open data and interoperability
- Making use of administrative and emerging data sources
- SDG User engagement strategies
National dissemination and reporting platforms

- The project will work with each country to identify a suitable statistical dissemination platform
  - Not necessarily limited to SDGs
- Training in the use of the platform as well as other support will be provided as necessary
- Each country should decide on their choice of
  - *Front end*: The platform that the user sees and where he/she accesses to find SDG information
  - *Back end*: The database which manages all the data and their relations in the background
Two examples of front end options

US/UK platform

SDG Goal Tracker

https://sustainabledevelopment-ghana.github.io/

https://ods.gov.co/
- Data have minimal value without metadata
- Key to establishing methodology and quality as well as explaining differences between the global and national datasets
- Publication of metadata will be facilitated
  - Nationally and, through SDMX exchange, at the SDG platform
Data and metadata exchange

- SDMX-based data and metadata exchange will be established with all project countries
  - Training in SDMX will be provided

- National and global SDG indicators at the Global SDGs Data Platform

- Guidance on national data exchange.
The project will work with countries to

- Key to improving the quality and timeliness of SDG indicators
- Focus on **data sharing mechanisms** between members of the National Statistical System
User engagement

Collecting data and metadata to monitor progress on the SDGs is of little value if it is not used.

- Need to identify users and address their needs a major feature of the project, both for the national and global platforms

User engagement strategies are expected to be developed by countries if these are not already in place.
Good practices and experience sharing

- All countries have good practices or experiences that are useful for others
- The project aims at supporting this experience exchange through:
  - Sharing experiences at project website
  - Arranging cross-country workshops
  - Use country examples at workshops
  - Study visits
  - Online exchange forums

Which good practices could you share from your country?

- Cambodia: dot.Stat and protocols for data sharing
- Ethiopia: Quality Assessment of administrative registers
- Ghana: Dissemination platform and national metadata trainings
- Rwanda: User-engagement strategy
- Uganda: Gender disaggregation process
Thank you

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