

UNSD-DFID Project on SDG Monitoring







































About the project

- 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
Burundi
Cambodia
Ethiopia
Ghana
Jordan
Kyrgyzstan
Lao PDR
Liberia
Mozambique

Myanmar Nepal Palestine Rwanda Tajikistan Tanzania Uganda Viet Nam Zambia Zimbabwe

Project goal

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

Project web page:

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

- Work with each country to identify a suitable statistical data dissemination platform (not necessarily limited to SDG indicators)
- Provide training in the use of the platform as well as needed technical support
- Each country makes its own selection of:
 - Front end: What end-users access and interact with to find SDG information online
 - Back end: Database system and tools to manage all the data and their relations in the background

Two examples of front end options

US/UK platform



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

SDG Goal Tracker



https://ods.gov.co

Metadata

- Data have minimal value without metadata
 - Establish methodology and quality
 - Explain differences between global and national datasets
- Publication of metadata is being facilitated nationally and through SDMX exchange



Data and metadata exchange



- Provide training in SDMX data modeling
- Establish SDMX-based data and metadata exchange with all project countries
 - National and global SDG indicators at the Global SDGs Data Platform
 - Guidance on national data exchange

Coordination of National Statistical System

- Work with countries to:
 - Improve quality and timeliness of SDG indicators
 - Focus on data sharing mechanisms between members of the National Statistical System



User engagement

- Collecting data and metadata on the SDGs is of little value if not used
- Need to identify users and address their needs
 - This is a major feature of the project, both for the national and global platforms
- User engagement strategies are being developed by countries (if they are not already in place)



Good practices and experience sharing



- Every country has good practices and experiences that are useful for others
- The project is supporting this experience exchange through:
 - Project website
 - Cross-country workshops
 - Showcasing country examples
 - Study visits
 - Online exchange forums





