



**SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT**

GOALS

UNSD-DFID project on SDG monitoring: an overview

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CONTEXT

Data for the 2030 Agenda

- **Follow-up and Review**

17 goals, 169 targets, 232 indicators

Tracking progress on SDGs requires an **unprecedented amount of data and statistics**

- **Full implementation**

High-quality, open, timely and disaggregated data are vital for the implementation of the agenda



UN Statistics Division work on SDGs

- **Follow-up and Review**

IAEG-SDGs

Open Data

Data platforms

SDMX

- **Full implementation**

IAEG-SDGs/data disaggregation

HLG-PCCB

Implementation of CTGAP

UN WDF

Integration of data sources/data interoperability



SDG reporting

- **National and subnational reporting** are the most significant levels of the SDG review process
- The global SDG monitoring system also **builds on national data reporting**
 - Data derived from **national sources** is the foundation for SDG reviews at all levels
 - It is crucial to create opportunities for countries to directly contribute to **global reporting**





THE PROJECT

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



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 website

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HOME COUNTRIES ACTIVITIES MEETINGS ABOUT RESOURCES



1 NO POVERTY
2 ZERO HUNGER
3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
4 QUALITY EDUCATION
5 GENDER EQUALITY
6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION
7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY
8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES
11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES
12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION
13 CLIMATE ACTION
14 LIFE BELOW WATER
15 LIFE ON LAND
16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS
17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



UNSD-DFID Project on SDG Monitoring

Make SDG data open and available to the widest possible audience

Objective

The overall objective of the project is to make Sustainable Development Goals data open and available to the widest possible audience. The project is expected to improve the

Project countries

The project will work with 20 countries across Africa and Asia. The countries vary greatly in terms of statistical capacity, and each will require an implementation strategy customized for

For more info: <https://unstats.un.org/capacity-building/UNSD-DFID/>

What does the project cover?

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

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

National SDG platforms

- Each country identifies a suitable statistical dissemination platform
 - *Front end*: The platform where users access SDG information
 - *Back end*: The database that contains and manages all the data and the data exchange in the background
 - Not necessarily limited to SDGs only
- UNSD and partners provide training and support





Coordination of National Statistical System

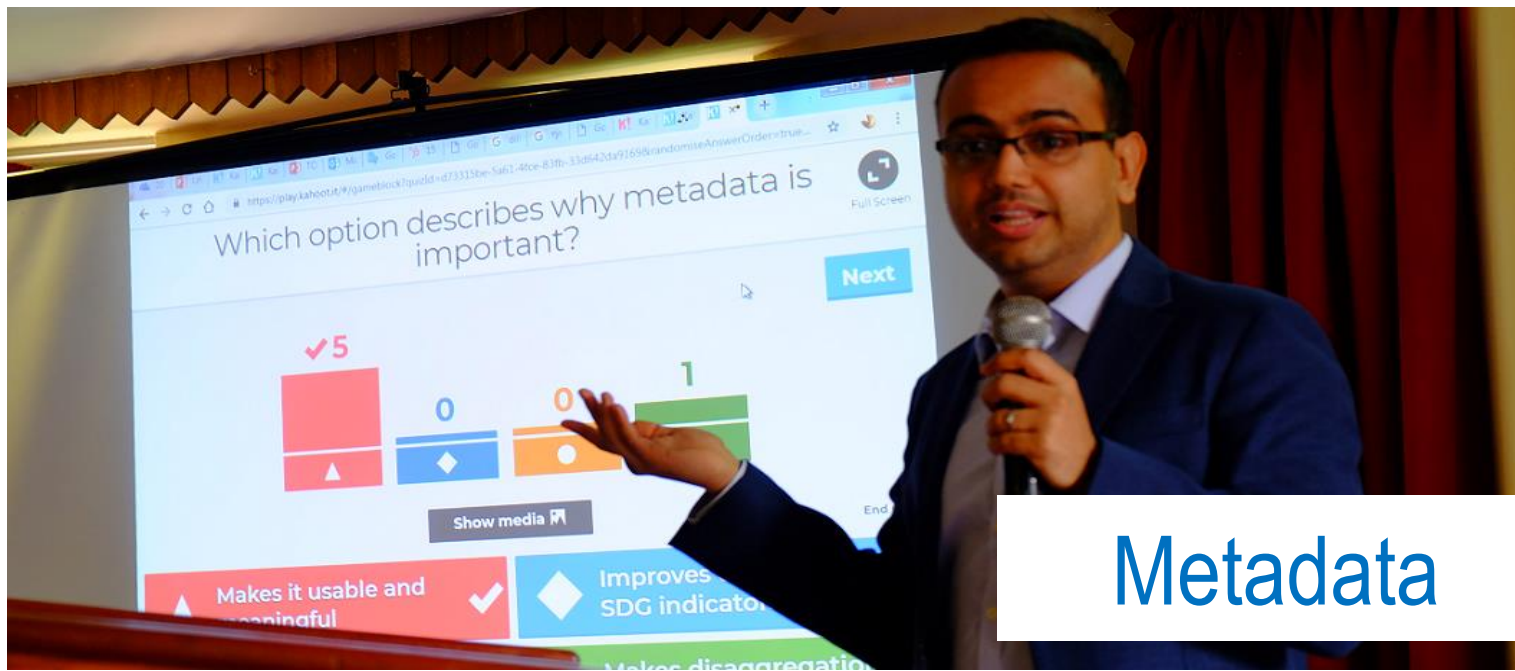
One of the key activities is to work with countries to:

- Improve the **coordination within the national statistical system**
- Key to improving **the quality and timeliness** of SDG indicators
- Focus is on **data sharing mechanisms** between members of the National Statistical System

Data and metadata exchange



- SDMX-based data and metadata exchange will be established with all project countries
 - Training in SDMX is being provided
- National and global SDG indicators are presented in the Global SDGs Data Platform
- Guidance on national data exchange.



- Data have minimal value without metadata
- Metadata are key to establishing methodology and assessing quality as well as explaining differences between the global and national datasets
- Publication of metadata will be facilitated

Users' engagement

- **Users and producers need to work together** for NSS to function properly
- **Identifying users and addressing their needs** are key prerequisites for for the NSO and NSS to provide relevant data and communicate data effectively
- **User engagement strategies** are expected to be developed by all project countries when they are not already in place.



Other activities

- Other activities for improving access to or dissemination of SDG data and metadata are linked to the project thanks to additional contributions and collaboration with partners
 - Data disaggregation
 - Use of administrative data
 - Use of new data sources
 - Open data and data interoperability
 - Integration with geospatial information

Good practices and experience sharing



- All countries have good practices or experiences that are useful for others
- The project support experience exchange through:
 - Sharing experiences at project website
 - Organizing international workshops
 - Share country examples at workshops
 - Study visits
 - Online exchange forums

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



THANK YOU!

Questions or inquiries?

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