Advancing Methodology on Measuring Asset Ownership from a Gender Perspective

Workshop on the UN Methodological Guidelines on the Production of Statistics on Asset Ownership from a Gender Perspective
Manila, 12-14 December 2017
EDGE overview

• Joint collaboration of UNSD and UN Women that seeks to accelerate existing efforts to improve Evidence and Data for Gender Equality (EDGE) – since 2013

• Builds on the work of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics (IAEG-GS)

• Funded by Governments of Australia, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Republic of Korea and USA

• Implemented in partnership with NSOs, ADB, FAO, ILO, OECD, and the World Bank
Objectives of workshop

• Present key recommendations from *UN Guidelines on the Production of Statistics on Asset Ownership from a Gender Perspective*

• Share lessons learned from 7 pilot countries that tested the methodology

• Solicit reflection and feedback from all countries
Background on developing the guidelines

- 2013: Technical meetings (New York & Bangkok)
- 2014: Experimentation (MEXA)
- 2014: Piloting in Mexico, Georgia, Mongolia & Philippines
- 2015: Draft guidelines disseminated for review to EDGE stakeholders
- Jan-Feb 2017: Revised draft guidelines presented to 48th UNSC
- Mar. 2017: Piloting in Maldives & South Africa
- End of 2017: Guidelines finalised
Overview of Guidelines

Purpose:

- Provide guidance on collecting, processing, analysing and disseminating individual-level data on asset ownership for the production of official gender statistics
Overview of Guidelines (2)

Users:
• Targeted to NSOs

Consistent with existing internationally-agreed standards:
• System of National Accounts, 2008
• Principles & Recommendations for Population & Housing Censuses, 3rd rev.
• OECD Guidelines for Micro Statistics on Household Wealth

Consistent with structure of UNSD international statistical guidelines
• Covers all components of producing official statistics, from conceptual framework to data dissemination
Highlights of the Guidelines (1)

• Conceptual framework on key concepts
  – Which assets to consider? Priority versus additional assets
  – How is ownership/rights defined?
  – Self-reported versus proxy data
  – Other important concepts: joint versus exclusive ownership; establishing values

• Sources of data: the role of household surveys
Highlights of the Guidelines (2)

• Guidance for implementation
  – Planning a survey
  – Data collection strategies: minimum set of questions; module appended to an existing household survey; stand-alone surveys
  – Sampling: within-household selection
  – Questionnaire design
  – Field operations

• Data processing, analysis and dissemination
  – Data editing, imputation and weighting
  – Recommended indicators: global & national indicators; SDG 5.a.1
  – Data analysis & dissemination of results
Thank you

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