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National capacity: ensuring that all countries can produce the necessary data

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Outline of Presentation

I.   **Philippine experience**

II. **Issues and challenges**

III. **Ways forward**

I. Philippine experience

1. **Advocacy, information and education communication materials**

   • International Conference on MDG Statistics: 2007 and 2011

   • MDG Web

   • MDG Watch

2. **Maintained online database on MDG indicators**

   • DevInfo

   • PC-Axis/PX-Web

I. Philippine experience (cont)

3.   **Capacity building programs provided by development partners and Philippine government agencies**
     • DPs: UNSD, UNSIAP, ASEANstats projects; GOP: NEDA, PIDS
     • Production of official statistics in support of MDGs; statistical analysis

4.   **Statistical coordination mechanisms**
     • Interagency committees on sectoral MDGs; IAC on SDGs in 2016
     • Statistical policy/PSA Board Resolution No. 4-2016 "*Enjoining Government Agencies to Provide Data Support to the Sustainable Development Goals*" which also designates the PSA as the repository of official SDG indicators
     • Inclusion of a separate chapter on the SDGs on the Philippine Statistical Development Program 2011-2017 Update

II. Issues and challenges

1. **Data gaps** (time series/ frequency; disaggregating variables)

2. **Differing global and national targets** (some global targets are too high/low)

3. **Some indicators do not have explicit numerical target** (only increasing / decreasing targets; difficult to assess progress)

4. **Survey vs admin data** (incomparability)

Data availability in the Philippines

Indicators	Total	Available
MDGs	60	30 (50.0%)
SDGs		
Tier 1	103	77 (74.8%)
Total	230 (unique)	77 (33.5%)

III. Ways forward

1. **Integration of the SDGs in national development plans**
2. **Inclusion of statistical development programs on SDG indicators in the NSDS including the budget thereof**
3. **Conduct of advocacy programs**
4. **Exploration of other data sources** (big data, citizen-generated data, third-party data, registries, administrative data)
5. **Conduct of a continuous capacity building program for both producers and users** (methodologies, proxies, communication, visualizations, interpretation)

No national statistical office or national statistical system is left behind.

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Thank you!