The National Statistical system (NSS) of Morocco: Organization, coordination and standardization of data collation and dissemination

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Statistical capacity of morocco

- The approach of the World Bank to assess the statistical capacity of countries classify Morocco among countries with "very high capacity."
- The evaluation method is to assign a rating based on 25 criteria on three aspects of the statistical information system namely (i) the statistical practice, (ii) data collation and (iii) the availability of indicators.

Institutional framework of the National Statistical System : components

The SSN covers the following agencies:

- The High Commission for planning : core of the SSN
- Sectoral ministries, related services, and public institutions such as the Central Bank;
- Public administrative institutions (EPA);
- State Services managed autonomously (SEGMA);
- Local communities;
- Public enterprises;
- Public universities and training schools.

Institutional framework of the National Statistical System : HCP roles



- In the National statistical System, the HCP is the main producer of economic, demographic and social statistics and the national accounts.
- HCP plays also an essential role in the dissemination of statistical information produced by the national statistical system.

Institutional framework of the National Statistical System :HCP (continued)

Institution with institutional and intellectual independence,

 elaborates studies in several areas: conjuncture, macroeconomic forecasting and framing,

 consistent to international norms and standards in the development of statistics and studies

Institutional framework of the National Statistical System (continued)



Coordination between national statistical system stakeholders

By its attributes, the HCP has also the responsibility of statistical coordination between departments producers of statistical information. In this regard, several coordination meetings to facilitate the exchange of statistical information within specified time frames are held regularly. The HCP is also linked with several departments by agreements for the transfer of know-how especially in the collation of statistical data.

Upgrade of the NSS: goals

- Encourage a further awareness of the role of statistical information in the country
- Meet more user's needs by improving the quality and ease of use of statistical information
- Promote greater use of statistical information
- Establish synergy and sustainable management of statistical information systems



Upgrade of the NSS

- Some of the initiatives Taken by the HCP
 - 1. Reinforcement of the legal framework
 - 2. implementation of the 1993 System of National Accounts, which is the global standard of national accounting adopted by the Statistical Commission of the United Nations
 - 3. Reinforcement of the use of new technologies of collation and dissemination (computer-assisted collation (CAPI), Automatic Document Reading (ADR) and GIS
 - 4. reinforcement of the cooperation with other departments and stakeholders
 - 5. staff recruitment and training
 - 6. Reinforcement of international cooperation

Data exchange limitations and multiple data sources reconciliation

- The sharing of data between administrations is often an ad hoc exchange. For a certain topics (environment), Data are not easily accessible by different administrations.
- lack of a central database with sets of freely shareable data.
- To reconcile multiple data sources, the process of elaboration of development indicators including MDGs is conducted by a steering committee

Organization, coordination and standardization of data collation for monitoring MDGs

The National Report on the Millennium Development Goals:

- An initial response to the commitments made by Morocco at the Millennium Development Goals Summit;
- Developed by the High Commission for Planning in cooperation with the social and economic partners and UN agencies;
- Four reports were made at intervals of two years: 2003, 2005,
 2007 and 2009. the fifth is being finalized.

Approach taken:

- Taking into account the gender dimension in the process of implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the MDGs at the national level.
- The development of targets and indicators, taking into account the strategic needs of women.
- Enlargement of the consultation and participation in the preparation of the report by organizing thematic workshops.

At the organizational level:

- •Steering Committee composed of the HCP, the ministries involved in the MDGs, representatives of civil society and UNDP. This committee is responsible for planning and coordinating the various stages of the development process of national MDGs report in a consultative framework.
- Each workshop is led by the ministerial department concerned.
- •The HCP is responsible for completing and synthesizing sectoral contributions, writing the introductory chapter on the economic, political and social context of Morocco and harmonizing the different chapters.



List of thematic workshops and departments responsible for their organization

theme	Responsible Department
poverty	HCP
education	National education
Gender	social Development
health	health
environment	Environment
partnership	Finance

Ongoing developements

- Finalizing the metadata handbook in cooperation with stakeholders.
- Accelerating the development of a legal framework of the coordination and harmonization between national partners.
- Finalizing the Upgrade of the Statistical Database (SDB) of HCP. This oracle database includes in addition to the consultation module, two other modules that use the latest technology in data exchange and dissemination namely publication module and SDMX-exchange module.

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