

**Third Regional Workshop on Production and Use of Vital Statistics
May 26-30, 2014, Daejeon, Republic of Korea**

Annotated Programme of work

Monday, 26 May 2014	
8:50 – 9:30	Registration
9:30 – 10:00	Opening Session/Photo Session - Opening Remarks - Introduction of participants and administrative matters
10:00 – 10:15	Tea Break
10:15 – 10:45	Overview of the Workshop - This overview will guide participants in the details of the programme of work, including different modules, as well as of the methods of work, including the composition and functioning of group discussion. It will also guide participants through the literature provided to them in print and in electronic format.
10:45 – 12:00	Module 1. Revised international standards for a vital statistics system Session 1 – United Nations principles and recommendations for civil registration and vital statistics: historical overview - This presentation by UNSD will walk the participants through the origin and development of international standards for civil registration and vital statistics. It will also outline, in broad strokes, the changes in the current revision compared to the previous ones. - Discussion/comments
12:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 16:00	Module 1. Revised international standards for a vital statistics system Session 2 - Presentation (UNSD): Functioning of a vital statistics system and its coordination and integration - The presentation will focus on international recommendations setting up and running a civil registration system, as well as the necessary coordination and integration within it (Chapter II of Part One of the Principles and Recommendations, Rev. 3) . Country presentations on Functioning of vital statistics system (15 minutes each): - Give a brief overview of vital statistics system and its relationship with civil registration and health institutions in your country - Describe the set-up and running of civil registration and coordination among official agencies (with respect to coverage, definitions, classification and tabulation) and statistical integration and consistency of vital statistics and other official statistics within your system. Bangladesh Cambodia China India

16:00 – 16:15	Tea Break
16:15 – 18:00	Module 1) Session 2- Continued Group discussion: How national systems compare to international recommendations? What are the obstacles? What would be the best approaches to adapt them to international recommendations? Is there a coordination body at the national level? Centralised or decentralised?
Tuesday, 27 May 2014	
9:00 – 10:20	Module 1.(continued) Session 3- Presentation (UNSD): Internationally recommended definitions of vital events and recommended topics - The presentation will focus on internationally recommended definitions of vital events and characteristics of the event and actors needed for statistical collection, processing and dissemination (Chapter III of Part One of the Principles and Recommendations, Rev. 3). Country presentations on definitions of vital events and topics (15 minutes each): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Give a brief overview of vital statistics system and its relationship with civil registration and health institutions in your country - Describe topics and themes covered for the purpose of vital statistics your country, how the topics and themes being selected and definition and specifications of vital events and topics. Indonesia Islamic Republic of Iran Lao PDR Maldives
10:20 – 10:35	Tea Break
10:35 – 12:00	Module 1) Session3- (continued) Group discussion: How national definitions of vital events compare to international recommendations? If not, what is the rationale? Are the core topic at the national level in line with internationally recommended? If not, what are the reasons? What are the obstacles? What would be the best approaches to adapt them to international recommendations?
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 15:00	Module 1. (continued) Session 4- Presentation (UNSD): Quality assessment and assurance in the vital statistics system - The presentation will focus on internationally recommended mechanisms for assuring reliable, accurate and timely vital statistics and the methods for assessing their quality (Chapter I of Part Three of Principles and Recommendations, Rev 3). Country presentations on quality assessment and assurance in vital

	<p>statistics system (15 minutes each):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Give a brief overview of vital statistics system and its relationship with civil registration and health institutions in your country - Describe procedures and processes for quality assessment, assurance and reporting in your vital statistics system. <p>Myanmar Nepal Thailand Timor-Leste Vietnam</p>
15:00 – 15:15	Tea Break
15:15 – 17:00	<p>Module 1) Session4- (continued)</p> <p>Group discussion: How national practices in ensuring quality of vital statistics compare to international recommendations? If not, what are the circumstances? Are there regular quality assessments in place? If not, what are the reasons? What are the obstacles? What would be the best approaches to adapt them to international recommendations?</p>
Wednesday, 28 May 2014	
9:00 – 10:30	<p>Module 1. (continued) Presentation (KOSTAT): Vital Statistics System in Rep. of Korea</p> <p>Module 2. Sources of vital statistics</p> <p>Session 1- Presentation (UNSD): Use of population registers for vital statistics purposes (Chapter III of Part Two of the Principles and Recommendations, Rev. 3)</p> <p>Discussion</p>
10:30 – 10:45	Tea Break
10:45 – 12:00	<p>Module 2. Sources of vital statistics</p> <p>Session2- Presentation (UNSD): Role of health institutions (Chapter IV of Part Two of the Principles and Recommendations, Rev. 3)</p> <p>Group discussion: Are there functioning population registers at the national level? Are there plans to develop them? What is the role of health institutions in regard producing vital statistics? Is there a legal framework in place for regulating this role?</p>
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 15:00	<p>Module 3. Contemporary tools for assessing a vital statistics system</p> <p>Presentation (SIAP): Rapid assessment tool and its implementation</p>

	<p>Group discussion: Where there any attempts to assess the national system as presented? If not, what would be the reasons? Are there objectives reasons that make this tool inapplicable at the national level? What would these be?</p>
15:00 – 15:15	Tea Break
15:15 – 17:00	<p>Preparing for Module 5. Strategies for improving vital statistics system</p> <p>Presentation (SIAP): Strategies for improving civil registration and vital statistics systems: Case of the Philippines</p> <p>Presentation (SIAP): Regional initiatives on civil registration and vital statistics in Asia</p> <p>Individual work time (45 Minutes): Representative(s) of each country will work on preparing their 5-7 minute presentation on best strategies to improve on vital statistics in their respective countries, assisted by resource persons. Presentation will be delivered by each country on the last day of the workshop.</p>
Thursday, 29 May 2014	
8:30 – 9:45	<p>Module 4. International collection of vital statistics</p> <p>Presentation (UNSD): United Nations Demographic Yearbook Data Collection System – The presentation will focus on the description of the system for collecting, processing and disseminating demographic statistics at international level using the United Nations Demographic Yearbook.</p> <p>Discussion</p>
9:45 – 10:00	Tea Break
10:00 – 11:00	<p>Module 4. (continued)</p> <p>Presentation (UNSD): Regional response rates for vital statistics – It will present the response rates for Asia and compare them with other world regions.</p> <p>Group discussion: Could response rate be improved? What are the obstacles? Is there anything on the collection side that hampers the response rates?</p>
11:00 – 18:00	Field trip organised by KOSTAT
Friday, 30 May 2014	
9:00 – 10:30	<p>Module 5. Strategies for improving vital statistics system</p> <p>Individual work time (30 Minutes)- Revising /finalizing the presentations on</p>

	<p>strategies for improving vital statistics systems</p> <p>Presentation (by each country) on possible national strategies for improving vital statistics in light of the revised set of international principles and recommendations as presented at this workshop</p> <p>Bangladesh Cambodia China India Indonesia</p>
10:30 – 10:45	Tea Break
10:45 – 12:00	<p>Islamic Republic of Iran Lao PDR Maldives Myanmar Nepal Thailand Timor-Leste Vietnam</p>
12:00 – 14:00	Farewell Luncheon
14:00 – 15:00	Visit to KOSTAT Headquarters
15:10 – 16:00	Wrap-up Session/Closing Ceremony