

Teamwork Turkey

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(Exercise)

- (a) Compare core topics recommended by the P&R with topics covered in the country's registration forms. Explain what are the differences.
- (b) Identify the major obstacles for achieving complete coverage of vital events registration.
- (c) Have you set national targets in your country? What would be the process for setting national targets? Identify any targets that may prove difficult to set.
- (d) Outline five strategies that should be adopted to achieve the targets.



(a)

The main differences for live births;

- Urban/rural occurrence
- Type of birth
- Attendant at birth
- Weight at birth (newborn)
- Educational attainment (of mother and father)
- Urban/rural residence (of mother and father)
- Duration of residence in usual place (of mother and father)
- Place/country of birth (of mother and father)
- Migrant status (of mother and father)



The main differences for live births;

- Gestational age (of mother)
- Number of prenatal visits (of mother)
- Month of pregnancy prenatal care began (of mother)
- Children born alive to mother during her entire lifetime (of mother)
- Foetal deaths to mother during her entire lifetime (of mother)
- Date of last previous live birth (of mother)
- Interval since last previous live birth (of mother)



The main differences for deaths;

- Urban/rural occurrence
- Cause of death
- Urban/rural resident (of decedent)
- Duration of residence in usual place (of decedent)
- Place of previous residence (of decedent)
- Place of birth (of decedent)
- Migrant status (of decedent)
- Foetal deaths
- Stillbirths



The main differences for marriages;

- Urban/rural occurrence
- Type of marriage
- Marriage order (of bride and groom-separately)
- Economic activity status (of bride and groom-separately)
- Usual occupation (of bride and groom-separately)
- Urban/rural residence (of bride and groom-separately)
- Duration of residence in usual place (of bride and groomseparately)
- Place of previous residence (of bride and groom-separately)
- Place of birth (of bride and groom-separately)
- Migrant status (of bride and groom-separately)



The main differences for divorces;

- Urban/rural occurrence
- Type of marriage being dissolved (husband and wife separately)
- Number of children born alive to the marriage being dissolved (husband and wife separately)
- Marriage order (husband and wife separately)
- Economic activity status (husband and wife separately)
- Usual occupation (husband and wife separately)
- Socioeconomic status (husband and wife separately)
- Urban/rural residence (husband and wife separately)
- Migrant status (husband and wife separately)



(b)

The major obstacles;

- The challenges about making new legal arrangements (Population Services Law, 5490)
- The lack of awareness and consciousness of public
- The lowness of educational and cultural level of public, especially of women
- Geographical challenges
- Child marriage etc. similar applications that cannot be registered in a normal procedure.
- Declaration of births by family members, kin of the person etc.
- Late registraton and non-qualitative information
- The places have no physicians in rural areas, the missing of infant deaths in registration



(c)

The targets, process and difficulties;

- To set birth notification system
- Declaration of births directly by the health institutions
- Infant (new born) death, birth order, biological mother and other relative information will be covered
- Bureaucratic process and legal arrangements are hard to implement
- Also the involve of private health sector will take time



(d)

The strategies;

- 1) To make necessary changes in Population Services Law of Turkey
- 2) To set a birth notification system on electronical base integrated with civil registration system
- 3) The integration of current death notification system to the civil registration system
- 4) The improvement of awareness of public and especially the educational attainment of women
- 5) To produce accurate, complete and timely vital statistics by adapting the data flow according to the national and international statistical infrastructure.



Thank you for your attention

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