



Arab Republic of Egypt

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Subject: National Quality Assurance Frame work

Dear Mr. Paul Chung,

Referring to your e-mail concerning the above- mentioned subject.

We would like to express our thanks and congratulate you on the exerted efforts in the Canadian Statistics paper; however, the presented paper provides a comprehensive “National Quality Assurance Framework” which is more appropriate for developed countries. The different circumstances prevailed in developing countries require more attention to be given to crucial areas such as:

- 1- Building capacity of statisticians through training programs especially ‘Quality Training Programs’.
- 2- Recognizing the data users needs in accordance with continuous changes, as well as determine to what extent the released data satisfied such needs.
- 3- Assuring the necessity to follow the methodological steps in implementing different surveys starting from questionnaire design up to data analysis.
- 4- Importance of the availability of required fund to conduct such surveys.
- 5- Raising the lessons learned from previous programs of the countries having the same developing obligations.
- 6- Improving the quality of administrative data to reduce the burden of respondents.

I look forward to continued cooperation between CAPMAS and UNSD.

Yours sincerely,

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