Liberia Presentation

QUALITY ASSURANCE ON EFFECTIVE MONITORING AND EVALUATION FOR DATA FROM DIFFERENT SOURCES

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Introduction

By law (**LISGIS Act**), the **NSO** is the only agency of government responsible to produce official Statistics in Liberia.

However, the **NSO** and other statistical agencies have mechanisms to ensure coordination within the **NSS** and the quality of official statistics.

A mandate was instituted by the **Board of Directors** to be implemented through the **NSS**.

NSS Mandate I

According to the NSS mandate, Ministries or Agencies of government and INGOs, wishing to conduct surveys or Assessments must coordinate with the NSO

- to develop the tools
- to train field staff
- to assist in processing and cleaning of the data
- to monitor the entire data collection process.

Why the NSS mandate

- To make sure all data used by government and the public are of Quality and official.

- **To prevent government/donors funding surveys to collect data that is already available.**

- To make sure that field staffs used for data collection are up to the task as some of the enumeration areas in the **rural parts** of the country are **hard to reach** and that **roads are bad during the raining seasons.**

Some challenges faced during data collection for which the collection of quality data could be compromised.

NSS Mandate II

The statistical Agencies must have free access to administrative data

According to this mandate, Data from different sources of government must be harmonized through the following means:

- That **NSO** request the heads of the various ministries and agencies to submit needed data

- Templates are designed and distributed to the different sources.

- After the collection of all the needed data from the different sources, a date is set for validation and stakeholders including the heads of these different data sources are invited.

- During validation, the various data sets are reviewed and discussed by stakeholders. Errors, if any are corrected.

- After validation, data becomes official statistics for the **NSO** and can be used by other statistical agencies and the public.

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