Workshop on the Implementation of a National Quality Assurance Framework for Official Statistics in countries of the <u>Africa Region</u>

Country case studies - *Status and* progress in implementation and use of tools

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## Introduction

- Based on ISO 9000 quality may be defined as the extent or degree to which materials, products, processes and services meet pre-specified standards (requirements, specifications, guidelines or characteristics) defined to serve a pre-defined purpose.
- Alternatively quality refers to the extent or degree to which materials, products, processes and services are fit for their purpose.

So a data needs to meet certain quality criteria in order to have impacts.

### EDQAF (Ethiopian Data Quality Assessment Frame work)

- So this lead to the development of EDQAF (Ethiopian Data Quality Assessment Framework)
- EDQAF was endorsed by the NSS in September 2011

## **EDQAF** implementation

 so far using EDQAF ESS has conducted 6
system assessments of the NSS members/ sector ministries.

No	Sector/ministry	Data set assessed	Assessment Level
1	Ministry of Trade & Industry	Market price data	Phase I and II
2	Ministry of Agriculture	Basic agricultural data	Phase I and II
3	Ministry of Water, Irrigation & Energy	EMIS	Phase I and II
4	Ministry of Health	HMIS	Full Assessment
5	Ethiopian roads authority	Basic road data	Only Phase I
6	Mistry of Education	EMIS	Full Assessment

## **EDQAF** implementation

- On the other hand awareness creation & training was also one way to help implement EDQAF.
- Training & awareness creation on data quality & dimensions was given to regions, zone & weredas ( administrative structures from top to bottom) on different sectors specially for those experts who are working data & related works.

## **EDQAF** implementation

- The EDQAF focus was mainly on administrative data.
- EDQAF uses most of the process dimension & few output dimensions to assess administrative data.
- The EDQAF has not been implemented to assess quality data of survey data.

### EDQAF

- EDQAF has 3 components (output, process & and institutional environment) 14 dimensions
  - output quality component that has 5 dimensions,
  - process quality component 6 dimensions &
  - institutional environment component with 3 quality dimensions.

<b>Process Quality</b>	Institutional Environment
Methodological Soundness	Mandate, Resources, Performance and Quality Management
Human Resource Management	Integrity
Standard Operating Procedures	Provider Transparency, Privacy and Confidentiality
Data Management and Security	
Quality Assurance/Control	
	Methodological Soundness Human Resource Management Standard Operating Procedures Data Management and Security

## EDQAF

- The quality assessment has four phases
  - Phase 1:Initiation and Preliminary Investigation
  - Phase 2:System assessment
  - Phase 3: Overall National Assessment
  - Phase 4: Reporting and Conclusion

# Sequence of Phases for system assessment



## Case study Health sector data quality assessment

- Health sector data quality assessment
- To evaluate the system of health sector in phase two It has two components
- 1)assessment of data collection, capture, processing and transmission procedures,
- 2) verification of (samples of) the data received and transmitted at each level
- We select two major indicators through which the data flows in the system.

## Case study Health sector data quality assessment

- From the process component 5 of quality dimensions we use 4 dimensions
  - Human Resource Management
  - Standard Operating Procedures
  - Data Management and Security
  - Quality Assurance/Control
- While the data verification includes
  - Review of Completeness and Timeliness of Data Received &
  - Review of Accuracy at each level

### Data flow of health sector



- On average across all regions in each dimensions score is
  - Human Resource Management 40.2%
  - Standard Operating Procedures 56.3%
  - Data Management and Security 42.4%
  - Quality Assurance/Control 47%



The lowest result shows that availability of responsible & trained staff dedicated to the HMIS/M&E needs to be addressed

Availability, timeliness & completeness



- The over all quality of data in terms of availability, timeliness & completeness seems to have been improved from 2012 to 2013.
- Though there is improvement but it has not reached 100% which indicates the weak performance of the routine monitoring system of the health sector.

### implementation of EDQAF challenges

- Weak coordination with in the NSS to implement EDQAF.
- New gov't structure gives the quality assessment & coordination works to plan & development ministry.
- The current statistics law does not give ESS the strong legislative power / mandate to implement or coordinate the NSS.
- Lack of financial resources.

### **Conclusion & Recommendation**

- EDQAF implementations focus on administrative data produced by sector ministries.
- EDQAF don't assess survey data which was the its drawback and currently under revision.
- With out effective & strong coordination in NSS Difficult to implement. Hence One of the necessary conditions for the implementation of NQAF is to have strong coordination system in the NSS.
- In order to have a strong coordination system NSO needs to have a more legislative power in leading & coordinating the NSS.
- For this reason ESS has opted for the revision of the statistics act or law.

# Thank You!