

ANNEXES

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A.2 List of the countries who participated in the regional workshops on poverty measurement

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) Region

Argentina, Brazil, Bahamas, Barbados, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Dominica, Ecuador, Grenada, Peru, St. Lucia, Jamaica, Mexico, Paraguay, Uruguay

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) Region

Bangladesh, Cambodia, Canada, China, Fiji, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Republic of Korea, Lao PDR, Macao China, Maldives, Mongolia, Papua New Guinea, , Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam

Economic Commission for Western Asia Region

Egypt, Iraq, Lebanon, Jordan, Oman, Palestine, Syria

Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Region and few countries from other parts of Africa

Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Liberia, Niger, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo, and Angola, Cameroon, Gabon Rwanda, Tanzania

A.3 Questionnaire of the UN Global Survey of poverty measurement practices and Statistical addendum



UNITED NATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE ON POVERTY MEASUREMENT

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INSTRUCTIONS

Please fill in the **green cells** of each worksheet and email the file back to : paparellac@un.org **by February 28th, 2005**
The column on the right side ("*How to answer*") guides your answers to each question, most of which have to be answered with YES or NO.
In addition, two columns provide some **sample responses** given by countries during the workshops, as **examples** for filling the questionnaire.
The questionnaire comprises **5 parts** (i.e. 5 separate worksheets).

Part A. POVERTY LINE

Respond to this part if a monetary poverty line has been estimated.

Part B. UNMET BASIC NEEDS (UBN) APPROACH

Respond to this part if the Unmet Basic Needs approach is used, whether in addition or instead of the Poverty line approach.

Part C. SURVEYING TECHNIQUES USED IN DATA COLLECTION TO ESTIMATE THE LEVEL OF POVERTY

This part discusses the surveying method of the latest household survey conducted in your country for the purpose of poverty estimations.

Part D. FURTHER EXPLANATIONS ON MEASURES OR METHODS USED

- a) Describe the specificities of your measurement techniques if they are not adequately reflected in the questionnaire.
- b) Describe methods used for poverty measurements other than or in addition to the Poverty Line and the Unmet Basic Needs approaches.

Part E. POVERTY DATA

Enter data for the available measurement categories and the latest available years of the given time scope.
Provide the latest data for the available categories (if available provide the latest 3 figures).

PART A. POVERTY LINE

METADATA		Your Answer	How to answer?
1. Is there a poverty line?	Has the country estimated a poverty line?		Yes/No - if NO goto Worksheet B.
	How often has the poverty line been re-assessed?		indicate periodicity (e.g. every five years, every 10 years)
	Is there a national agreement on how poverty should be measured?		YES/NO
2. Which types of poverty line have been estimated?	ABSOLUTE		Yes/No
	RELATIVE		Yes/No
3. How many poverty lines have been constructed?	a. Only ONE poverty line?	national	Yes/No
		urban	Yes/No
		rural	Yes/No
	b. TWO Poverty Lines	national	Yes/No
		urban	Yes/No
		rural	Yes/No
	c. 3-5 Poverty lines		Yes/No
	d. More than 5 Poverty lines		Yes/No
	e. Per capita poverty line specified for each household ; i.e. adjustments (e.g. adult equivalent scale, economies of scale, geographic location, etc.) are specified for each household		Yes/No
	4. Do you estimate the Poverty Line by the Cost of Basic Needs (CBN) method?		
5. What are the components of the CBN based poverty line?	food PL		Yes/No (if NO goto question 14)
	non-food PL		Yes/No
	no separation of food & non-food PL		Yes/No
6. Food Poverty Line: How are the nutritional thresholds set?	What is the number of calorie thresholds used?		indicate number
	Indicate the level of the calorie thresholds:		e.g. 2309
	Are any other nutritional criteria in addition to calorie requirements referred to when constructing the poverty line?		e.g. protein or micronutrient requirements
7. Has a standard been followed to construct the national recommended daily allowance RDA?	national		YES/NO
	international		YES/NO (if yes, name the standard)

PART A. POVERTY LINE

	METADATA	Your Answer	How to answer?
<p>8. Does the required minimum calorie threshold for an individual take age, gender, location or other criteria into account?</p>	Age		Yes/No
	Gender		Yes/No
	Place of residence		Yes/No
	Economic activity		Yes/No
	Provide the adult equivalence scales used		<p>e.g. Male: age 0 <2:791 2-5:1618 6-9:1924 10-15:1990 16-29:3216 30-59:3167, 60+:2710.</p> <p>Female: 0 <2:740 2-5:1480 6-9:1689 ...</p>
<p>9. The composition of the food basket or basket of goods that provide the minimum calorie threshold reflects the consumption pattern of:</p>	<p>a. A share of the population at the lowest end of the income or consumption distribution (e.g. lowest 20% of total HH expenditure)</p>		Yes/No (specify fraction)
	<p>b. A share of the population between the lowest x% and y% of the income or consumption distribution.</p>		Yes/No (specify fraction)
	<p>c. Within a range (e.g. +/- 10%) around the previous poverty line.</p>		Yes/No (specify fraction)
	<p>d. Within a range (e.g. +/- 10%) around the previous food poverty line.</p>		Yes/No (specify fraction)
	<p>e. Within a range (e.g. +/- 10%) around the median of the income or consumption distribution.</p>		Yes/No (specify fraction)
	<p>e. other reference group</p>		Yes/No (specify fraction)
<p>10. Does the composition of the food basket allow for regional differences in consumption habits?</p>			Yes/No
<p>11. On average, how many items are in the food basket(s)?</p>			state number of items
<p>12. For how many of these items do you collect price data (through CPI, Community survey, etc.)?</p>			state number of items

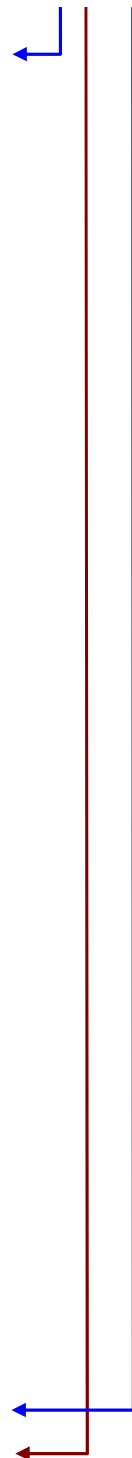
PART A. POVERTY LINE

METADATA		Your Answer	How to answer?	
13. Price data to estimate the cost of the food basket or a calorie is obtained through:	a. CPI	i. General CPI	Yes/No	
		ii. Poverty specific CPI	Yes/No	
		iii. Which commodities receive greater weight in the poverty specific CPI?	roughly indicate items	
		iv. How often is the CPI measured?	indicate periodicity	
	b. Community Price Questionnaire of Household Survey	i. Are commodity prices adjusted for differential prices paid by the poor due to lower quantities purchased?	Yes/No	
		ii. Are commodity prices adjusted for differential prices paid by the poor due to purchases at different price points?	Yes/No	
		iii. Are Unit Values used in some cases?	Yes/No	
		iv. How often do HH surveys take place?	indicate periodicity	
	c. Other source of data or methods used in costing the food basket		name the source	
	14. Is the Non-Food Poverty Line estimated by direct or indirect method?	direct (i.e. listing essential non food items and adding up their costs)	YES / NO	
indirect (e.g. Engel's Ratio)		YES / NO (if YES goto question 19)		
DIRECT Method	15. The non-food component (NFC) comprises these essentials:		list the goods	
	16. Reference Population for Non-Food Component	a. A share of the population at the lowest end of the income or consumption distribution (e.g. lowest 20% of total HH expenditure)		yes/no (if yes specify fraction)
		b. A share of the population between the lowest x% and y% of the income or consumption distribution.		yes/no (if yes specify fraction)
		c. Within a range (e.g. +/- 10%) around the previous poverty line.		yes/no (if yes specify fraction)
		d. Within a range (e.g. +/- 10%) around the previous food poverty line.		yes/no (if yes specify fraction)
		e. Within a range (e.g. +/- 10%) around the median of the income or consumption distribution.		yes/no (if yes specify fraction)
		e. other reference group		indicate fraction
	17. Is the NFC adjusted to account for the age structure of household?		YES/NO	
	18. NFC adjusted to account for size of household (economies of scale)?		YES/NO (continue with question 23)	

Continue with question 23

PART A. POVERTY LINE

METADATA		Your Answer	How to answer?	
IN-DIRECT Method	19. Is a fixed Engel ratio used? (Ratio: food expenditures in % of total expenditures)		Yes/No	
	20. Is the Engel's coefficient estimated?		Yes/No, if yes specify method	
	21. Is there another method used?		Yes/No, if yes specify method	
	22. In case the Engel ratio is NOT fixed, which reference population is used?	a. A share of the population at the lowest end of the income or consumption distribution (e.g. lowest 20% of total HH expenditure)		Yes/No (specify fraction)
		b. A share of the population between the lowest 10% and 30% of the income or consumption distribution .		Yes/No (specify fraction)
		c. Within a range (e.g. +/- 10%) around the previous poverty line .		Yes/No (specify fraction)
		d. Within a range (e.g. +/- 10%) around the previous food poverty line .		
		e. Within a range (e.g. +/- 10%) around the median of the income or consumption distribution.		Yes/No (specify fraction)
f. other reference group		Yes/No (specify fraction)		
23. Specify other measures used in poverty measurement in addition to or instead of CBN poverty line?				
24. Which monetary indicators of welfare are used for measuring poverty?	HH income		Yes/No	
	HH expenditure		Yes/No	



PART A. POVERTY LINE

METADATA		Your Answer	How to answer?
25. Is the per capita monetary HH measure of welfare adjusted for age/sex (adult equivalent scale) and the size of the household (economies of scale)?			Yes/No
26. What are the sources of data that have been used/are being used to estimate the level of welfare of individuals or households?	Household Surveys	Living Standard Measurement Survey	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		Rapid Appraisal Survey	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		Demographic and Health Survey	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		National Poverty Survey	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		Income and Expenditure Survey	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		Other HH survey	indicate source
	Other Survey Sources	Participatory Poverty Appraisal Survey	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		Priority Survey	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		Employment Survey	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		Time Use Surveys	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		Core Indicators Questionnaires	Yes/No (indicate year of latest survey)
		Other	indicate source
	Non-Survey Sources	Population census	Yes/No
		National Accounts	Yes/No
		Administrative Records	Yes/No
		Other Sources	indicate source

PART B. UNMET BASIC NEEDS (UBN) APPROACH

METADATA		Your Answer	How to answer?
1. Is the Unmet Basic Needs (UBN) Approach used to measure poverty?			YES/NO
2. Which are the components of basic needs?	a. Housing / shelter conditions		YES/NO
	b. Education		YES/NO
	c. Health		YES/NO
	d. Sanitation/facilities		YES/NO
	e. Safe water criteria		YES/NO
	f. Community and neighborhood infrastructure		YES/NO
	g. Others		indicate components
3. Do you construct an index that combines the components of basic needs?			YES/NO
4. How are the weights of the components of the index constructed?	Equal weights		YES/NO
	Based on statistical model		YES/NO
	Other		YES/NO
5. How is a poor classified?	a. Poor is who misses ALL components of basic needs.		YES/NO
	b. Poor is whose needs in at least ONE component is not met.		YES/NO
	c. Poor is whose INDEX value of basic needs is below a certain threshold.		YES/NO
6.Sources of data to identify the poor	Population Census		YES/NO
	Administrative Data		YES/NO
	Household surveys		YES/NO
	Community Based Data		YES/NO
	Participatory Survey		YES/NO
	Other		indicate data source

PART C. SURVEYING TECHNIQUES USED IN DATA COLLECTION TO ESTIMATE THE LEVEL OF POVERTY

METADATA		Your Answer	How to answer?	
0. Is the measurement of poverty based on INCOME or CONSUMPTION?	INCOME		YES/NO (if YES , please answer questions 1 - 7)	
	CONSUMPTION		YES/NO (if YES , please answer questions 8 ff)	
1. What is the recall period for reporting/observing receipts of INCOME (i.e. the period for which the surveyed have to indicate their incomes)			indicate period	
2. Are the following types of frequent receipts of CASH income are surveyed?	Income from employment	Wages and salaries in cash	YES/NO	
	Income of own account workers and employers		YES/NO	
	Income from Rents	Building rents		YES/NO
		Rented and occupied by the household		YES/NO
		Other rents		YES/NO
	Property Income	Land rents		YES/NO
		Profits		YES/NO
		Deposits in the domestic economy		YES/NO
		Deposits in the Rest of the World		YES/NO
		Bonds		YES/NO
		Loans		YES/NO
		Dividends		YES/NO
		Interest		YES/NO
		Other property income		YES/NO
		Transfers	Pensions	
	Social Benefits			YES/NO
	Insurance Pension			YES/NO
	Gifts			YES/NO
	Other Transfers from residents			YES/NO
	Transfers from Non-Residents			YES/NO
Other incomes	Awards in cash		YES/NO	
	Other		YES/NO	

PART C. SURVEYING TECHNIQUES USED IN DATA COLLECTION TO ESTIMATE THE LEVEL OF POVERTY

METADATA		Your Answer	How to answer?
3. Are the following types of frequent receipts of income IN KIND surveyed?	Income from employment	Wages and salaries in KIND	YES/NO
	Income of own account workers and employers		YES/NO
	Income from Rents	Building rents	YES/NO
		Rented and occupied by the household	YES/NO
		Other rents	YES/NO
	Property Income	Land rents	YES/NO
		Profits	YES/NO
		Deposits in the domestic economy	YES/NO
		Loans	YES/NO
		Dividends	YES/NO
		Interest	YES/NO
	Transfers	Other property income	YES/NO
		Social Benefits	YES/NO
		Insurance Pension	YES/NO
		Gifts	YES/NO
		Other Transfers from residents	YES/NO
	Other incomes	Transfers from Non-Residents	YES/NO
Awards in KIND		YES/NO	
Other		YES/NO	
4. What is the method of valuation for income IN KIND?			indicate which prices are used (e.g. market prices)
5. What is the recall period for reporting/observing for non-frequent receipts of income?			indicate period

PART C. SURVEYING TECHNIQUES USED IN DATA COLLECTION TO ESTIMATE THE LEVEL OF POVERTY

METADATA		Your Answer	How to answer?	
6. Are the following types of non-frequent receipts of CASH income are surveyed?	Income from employment	Wages and salaries in cash	YES/NO	
	Income of own account workers and employers		YES/NO	
	Income from Rents	Building rents		YES/NO
		Rented and occupied by the household		YES/NO
		Other rents		YES/NO
	Property Income	Land rents		YES/NO
		Profits		YES/NO
		Deposits in the domestic economy		YES/NO
		Deposits in the Rest of the World		YES/NO
		Bonds		YES/NO
		Loans		YES/NO
		Dividends		YES/NO
		Interest		YES/NO
	Transfers	Other property income		YES/NO
		Pensions		YES/NO
		Social Benefits		YES/NO
		Insurance Pension		YES/NO
		Gifts		YES/NO
		Other Transfers from residents		YES/NO
	Other incomes	Transfers from Non-Residents		YES/NO
Awards in cash			YES/NO	
	Other		YES/NO	
7. Are the following types of non-frequent receipts of income IN KIND surveyed?	Income from employment	Wages and salaries in KIND	YES/NO	
	Income of own account workers and employers		YES/NO	
	Income from Rents	Building rents		YES/NO
		Rented and occupied by the household		YES/NO
		Other rents		YES/NO
	Property Income	Land rents		YES/NO
		Profits		YES/NO
		Deposits in the domestic economy		YES/NO
		Loans		YES/NO
		Dividends		YES/NO
		Interest		YES/NO
		Other property income		YES/NO
		Transfers	Social Benefits	
	Insurance Pension			YES/NO
	Gifts			YES/NO
	Other Transfers from residents			YES/NO
	Transfers from Non-Residents			YES/NO
	Awards in KIND			YES/NO
	Other incomes	Other		YES/NO
8. How is CONSUMPTION data collected?	How many different recall periods are used for FOOD items?		indicate number of recall periods	

PART C. SURVEYING TECHNIQUES USED IN DATA COLLECTION TO ESTIMATE THE LEVEL OF POVERTY

METADATA		Your Answer	How to answer?	
	a. What is the recall period for reporting/observing COMSUMPTION expenditure?	What is the recall period for FOOD items?	indicate period	
		How many different recall periods are used for NON-FOOD items?	indicate number of recall periods	
		What are the recall periods for NON-Food items?	indicate periods	
	b. Is there a multiple reporting of recall periods for the same item? (e.g. indicate consumption for the last month and the last 12 months)			YES/NO
	c. How many visits per household for the entire survey?			state number of visits
	d. Are diaries used?	Household diaries		Yes/No
		Individual adult diaries		Yes/No
	e. Is the recall method used? (i.e. households have to remember their consumption)			
	f. Are all households in the sample visited at each visit?	All		YES/NO
		Not all . Sample is split into ___ subgroups.		indicate number of subgroups
9. Which categories of consumption expenditures are surveyed?	a. Food		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	b. Is the quantity of food consumed surveyed?		YES/NO (indicate whether this is collected regularly or through a special module added to survey, and indicate how often the special module is collected)	
	c. Non-alcoholic beverage		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	d. Alcoholic beverage, tobacco and narcotics		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	e. Clothing and footwear		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	f. Housing, water, electricity, gas & other fuels		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	g. Furnishings, hh equipment and routine hh maintenance		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	h. Health		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	i. Transport		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	j. Communication		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	k. Recreation and culture		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	l. Education		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	
	m. Restaurants and hotels		YES/NO (if possible indicate items)	

PART C. SURVEYING TECHNIQUES USED IN DATA COLLECTION TO ESTIMATE THE LEVEL OF POVERTY

METADATA	Your Answer	How to answer?
10. Which types of non-consumption expenditures are surveyed?		indicate types (e.g. gifts, donations, ...)
11. What is the recall period for reporting/observing non-consumption expenditure		indicate period (week/month/...)
12. Which types of other disbursements are surveyed? (e.g. parking tickets...)		indicate types
13. What is the recall period for reporting/observing other disbursements other than expenditures		indicate period (3 months...)
14. Types of consumption of home production (own produced consumption)		indicate types
15. What is the recall period for reporting/observing consumption of home production.		indicate period (week/month/...)
16. What is the method of valuation of own produced consumption?		indicate prices (e.g. market prices, ...)
17. Which types of business stock consumed are surveyed?		indicate types
18. What is the recall period for reporting/observing consumption from business stocks?		indicate period (week/month/...)
19. Is data on owner-occupied housing surveyed?		YES/NO
20. What is the method of valuation for the consumption of owner occupied dwellings?		indicate prices (e.g. market rent of equivalent housing ...)

PART D. OTHER APPROACHES TO IDENTIFY AND ESTMATE THE LEVEL OF POVERTY

1. Further comments on questions in the questionnaire

	Part of the Questionnaire	Question No	Additional Comment
Example 1	A	6.c.	The country adopts the menu-based approach wherein food poverty lines equivalent to the cost of daily per capita food requirements are derived by pricing low-cost & nutritionally adequate menus (breakfast, lunch, supper and snack) for each urban and rural area of each region using average prices. The menus are composed of food items that are commonly-eaten and low cost in the area.

2. Methods not covered by this questionnaire

E. POVERTY DATA (please enter data for the available measurement categories and the latest available year of the given time scope)

A. Based on POVERTY LINE

LEVEL	Type		1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005		
National	Urban & rural	Poverty line in national currency																							
		Food Poverty Line																							
		Non-Food Poverty Line																							
		Number of poor																							
		Poverty Rate in %																							
	Urban	Poverty line in national currency																							
		Food Poverty Line																							
		Non-Food Poverty Line																							
		Number of poor																							
		Poverty Rate in %																							
	Rural	Poverty line in national currency																							
		Food Poverty Line																							
		Non-Food Poverty Line																							
		Number of poor																							
		Poverty Rate in %																							
Weighted average of poverty at the level of Regions	Urban & rural	Poverty line in national currency																							
		Food Poverty Line																							
		Non-Food Poverty Line																							
		Number of poor																							
		Poverty Rate in %																							
	Urban	Poverty line in national currency																							
		Food Poverty Line																							
		Non-Food Poverty Line																							
		Number of poor																							
		Poverty Rate in %																							

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LEVEL	Type		1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005		
	Rural	Poverty line in national currency																							
		Food Poverty Line																							
		Non-Food Poverty Line																							
		Number of poor																							
		Poverty Rate in %																							
Weighted average of poverty at the level of Provinces	Urban & rural	Poverty line in national currency																							
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		Food Poverty Line																							
		Non-Food Poverty Line																							
		Number of poor																							
		Poverty Rate in %																							

B. Based on UNMET BASIC NEEDS Approach

LEVEL	Type		1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005		
National	Urban & rural	Poverty line in national currency																							
		Food Poverty Line																							
		Non-Food Poverty Line																							
		Number of poor																							

E. POVERTY DATA (please enter data for the available measurement categories and the latest available year of the given time scope)

LEVEL	Type	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	
	Poverty Rate in %																						

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LEVEL	Type		1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	
	Urban	Poverty line in national currency																						
		Food Poverty Line																						
		Non-Food Poverty Line																						
		Number of poor																						
		Poverty Rate in %																						
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		Number of poor																						
		Poverty Rate in %																						

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LEVEL	Type		1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005		
Weighted average of poverty at the level of Provinces	Urban & rural	Poverty line in national currency																							
		Food Poverty Line																							
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