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monthly price for food items and quarterly price for non food items. Myanmar has already done price collection training in December 2019. During the COVID-19 period, ICP surveys are carried out in municipal market office through telephone and face-to-face interview can be done in townships with low spread of disease. Currently, Myanmar has been implementing the 2021 ICP starting from January 2021.

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| <i>Agenda item</i> | <i>Item 4(f) Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata (E/CN.3/2021/23)</i> |
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**Statement: Common Data Platform using SDMX**

Myanmar has adopted Decentralized Statistical System and both primary data (data from censuses and survey) and administrative data are collected by various departments. For this, across the government, a data sharing agreement including common data definitions and an effective data sharing mechanism across the government is required.

In 2019, UNDP and CSO conducted a readiness assessment on development of a common data platform across the government, focusing on the IT technological aspect. The assessment was conducted with the participation of government departments including Department of Agriculture Land Management and Statistics, Department of Public Health, Department of Population, General Administration Department, Department of Trade, Department of Basic Education, Department of Labor and the Central Statistical Organization. The assessment covered the current challenges with regards to data collection, management and sharing arrangements in the Statistics System and identified key governance, technical and ICT challenges and recommendations for remedy addressed to the CSO as government data custodian.

The assessment report presents reference architecture for a common data platform centered around CSO based on an international initiative that aims at standardizing and modernizing the mechanisms and processes for the exchange of statistical data and metadata among international organizations and their member countries called SDMX (Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange).

Currently, Common Data Platform pilot project is being conducted together with Department of Population (DOP). A set of 10 indicators has selected for data exchange between CSO and DOP in this pilot phase. A web based platform will have SDMX compliant data exchange modules that will allow creating and managing Myanmar's centralized common data repository to store data on all socioeconomic indicators.

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