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National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI), Government of India appreciates the efforts of UNSD and Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) for monitoring the SDGs during the COVID-19 pandemic. There are, however, following inputs/observations:

1. It commends the work done by IAEG-SDGs over the course of 2021 and supports its Report which inter alia includes annual refinement in the indicators, reclassification of tier of indicators, metadata review of certain indicators etc. India also supports the initiative of IAEG-SDGs for organizing quarterly open meetings to focus on selected area relating to SDG monitoring.

2. It appreciates the efforts of IAEG-SDGs in showcasing the best practices being followed by the member states in the SDG monitoring.

3. It appreciates the support given to countries to build capacity for monitoring SDGs at national level and suggests that all training programmes/ courses imparted across countries may be placed on a common platform so that other countries/ stakeholders may also be benefit from the study material.

4. India being the member of the working group on Measurement of Development Support, acknowledges the efforts of the working group. Further, as a member of IAEG-SDGs, India supports the adoption of Indicator 17.3.1-Additional financial resources mobilized for developing countries from multiple sources, with co-custodian as OECD and UNCTAD.

5. NSO, MoSPI, Government of India supports the work programme of IAEG SDGs for 2022.

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