Seventh meeting of the
Steering Group for the Regional Programme for the Improvement of Economic Statistics in Asia and the Pacific (SGRPES)

10 May 2018, Bangkok, Thailand

Report of the Meeting

I. Introduction

1. The seventh meeting of the Steering Group was held in Bangkok on 10 May 2018. Steering Group members from Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong China, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Samoa, Singapore, Turkey, Viet Nam, ADB, ILO, IMF and SPC and UNSD participated in the meeting.

2. Three of the four co-chairs of the Steering Group: Mr Mohd Yazid Kasim (Malaysia), Mr Bahrawar Jan (Pakistan), and Ms Suzanne Wong (Singapore), as well as Steering Group members from India (Dr Gobinda Prasad Samanta) and Turkey (Ms Aycan Ozek) chaired the sessions of the meeting.


4. Feed-back on the meeting as provided by participants is included in Annex III of this report.

II. Meeting objectives and programme

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1 Please see Annex II for the complete list of participants
2 Please see Annex I for the meeting programme.
5. The meeting was convened to review the progress of the Programme at the end of Phase II. Specifically, the objectives of the meeting were as follows:
   a. Review the status of Programme implementation as at end of Phase II (2017);
   b. Review the work of task forces established by the Steering Group;
   c. Review and make recommendations on future work arrangements for the SGRPES and phase III of the Programme;
   d. Identify issues to report to the Committee on Statistics at its 6th session in October 2018.

III. Programme performance

Programme results

6. The Steering Group reviewed progress in Programme implementation based on reports by countries, development partners and the secretariat. The Steering Group also reviewed the preliminary results of the capacity screening, which was undertaken in 2017 and involved administration of a survey questionnaire (the “capacity screening tool”) to all countries in the region. The capacity screening tool was firstly administered in 2013 to establish a baseline for Programme implementation.

7. Results from the capacity screening show that most countries have made progress in producing the Core Set of Economic Statistics. On average, Asia-Pacific countries produce 72 percent of the Core Set of Economic Statistics. The Pacific sub-region produces less than 50 per cent of Core Set items, the lowest of the five Asia-Pacific sub-regions;\(^3\) North and Central Asia produces on average 90 percent of the Core Set items, the highest among the five sub-regions.

8. Key findings from the 2017 capacity screening tool are:
   (i) Substantial variation between the regions was noted– with Pacific (47%) and South and South West-Asia (63%) lower than the other regions of ESCAP in terms of production and dissemination of the Core Set;
   (ii) High income sub-regions of ESCAP produce and disseminate a larger proportion of the Core Set;

\(^3\) ESCAP sub-regions are Pacific, East and North-East Asia, North and Central Asia, South and South-West Asia, South-East Asia.
Almost all regions produce Core Set items related to consumer price indices and GDP, but gaps appear in other indicators such as commodities, labour, short term indicators and trade indices.

9. The Steering Group noted with satisfaction that the Programme is generally on track towards meeting its goals and objectives.

10. Noting that the Programme is designed, owned and delivered by countries with support from development partners, the Steering Group pointed at the importance of integration of Programme objectives into national strategies for statistics development (such as NSDS) and alignment with national development plans to ensure relevance and effectiveness of national implementation of the Programme.

**Relevance of the Core Set of Economic Statistics**

11. The Core Set of Economic Statistics reflects the aim and scope of the programme and serve as the basis for monitoring. The Steering Group observed that while most Core Set statistics are regularly produced by most countries, quality dimensions beyond availability and frequency remain an issue and are not captured in current Programme monitoring. The Steering Group also noted that the Core Set had been designed prior to Agenda 2030 and hence lacked clear references or linkages to the sustainable development goals including targets and indicators.

12. The Steering Group concluded that the following activities remain key to successful Programme implementation:

   (i) Continuous capacity building and training at the national level;

   (ii) Closer engagement and coordination among national users and producers of economic statistics;

   (iii) Active use by national statistical offices/central banks of the results of the capacity screening to advocate for resources and other support to economic statistics;

13. The Steering Group also requested the secretariat to continue its efforts to advocate and raise the profile of the Programme, including at events that bring together higher-level government officials to discuss Agenda 2030 implementation such as the high-level segment of the 6th session of the Committee on Statistics.
IV. Activities of Task Forces

Capacity Screening Task Force

14. The Steering Group expressed its appreciation to the Task Force and the secretariat for a job well done. Considering the issues experienced by the secretariat in administering the survey questionnaire and verifying and processing the responses, the Steering Group suggested that the following approaches be considered for Programme monitoring at the end of phase III of the Programme:

(i) Supplementing or replacing the capacity screening tool with existing publicly available information;

(ii) Organizing workshops to facilitate and assist countries in responding to the capacity screening questionnaire;

(iii) Engaging the national Chief Statisticians more directly in the capacity screening process to facilitate coordination of responses by the national focal points.

15. In addition, considering the observations made on the Core Set and its relevance and possible need for adjustment, the Steering Group noted that final decisions on future programme monitoring would be taken following advice by the Committee on Statistics at its 6th session.

Asia Pacific Economic Statistics (APES) Task Force

16. The Steering Group congratulated the Asia Pacific Economic Statistics Taskforce for another successfully organized Asia Pacific Economic Statistics seminar and strongly recommended that the Asia Pacific Economic Statistics week continue to be one of the central regional modalities for programme implementation.

17. The Steering Group made some recommendations and follow up actions as follows:

(i) Parallel sessions for the Asia Pacific Economic Statistics week;

(ii) Inclusion of capacity development events in the Asia Pacific Economic Statistics week;

(iii) Steering Group members making themselves available for review of papers for future Asia Pacific Economic Statistics seminars.

Statistical Business Registers and Quality Assurance Frameworks Task Forces

18. The Steering Group were advised by the Taskforces on Statistical Business Registers and Quality Assurance Frameworks had not progressed their work since the 6th meeting of
the Steering Group. The Taskforces continued to find the two topics of high relevance to the Programme and requested the:

(i) Co-chairs explore the best ways into how activities related to Statistical Business Registers and Quality Assurance Frameworks can be best addressed in the work programme,

(ii) That the Task Forces on Statistical Business Registers and Quality Assurance Frameworks be discontinued.

V. Recommendations for Phase III

Decisions

19. Considering the results of the second capacity screening, the Steering Group acknowledged that the Core Set remains relevant in terms of reflecting priority economic statistics outputs, but that some changes are necessary to reflect emerging data needs to support the 2030 agenda for sustainable development and the Collective Vision and Framework for Action in the third phase of the Programme. The meeting also observed that some Core Set items are by now produced by all countries and hence may be less useful to guide a capacity development programme such as the RPES whose goal includes addressing existing gaps.

20. In view of emerging data needs highlighted above, the Steering Group recommended that a review of the Core Set of Economic Statistics be made to focus on priority elements that several countries struggle to produce and align the revised Core Set with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Collective Vision and Framework for Action.

21. The Steering Group recognised that countries in the region have varying capabilities to produce the Core Set and recommended continuation of capacity building activities at country level using results of the capacity screening tool as a guide. Considering such disparities in capabilities, the Steering Group recommended intensification of data quality in the capacity screening tool through improved coordination with Chief Statisticians and national focal points.

22. The Steering Group recommended that the co-chairs initiate a process of developing a mechanism of raising awareness about the Programme through special studies/reviews and task force activities to track the impact of programme activities across countries.

23. Efforts by the Steering Group under leadership of the co-chairs with secretariat support, should be intensified to raise awareness about the results of capacity screening and
using them to engage users and key decisions makers in mobilising support for economic statistics development.

**Follow-up actions**

24. The Steering Group recommends follow up actions.

   (i) Subject to the guidance of the Committee, the co-chairs of the Steering Group consider a comprehensive review by June 2019 of the Core Set of Economic Statistics to ensure its relevance and needs of users. Modalities of the review could potentially include:

   i. Constituting a taskforce or sub-group within the Steering Group to assess the Core Set of Economic Statistics by reviewing the capacity screening results and various proceedings and suggestions from the Asia Pacific Economic Statistics Week component;

   ii. Engaging with the Network for the Coordination of Statistical Training in Asia and the Pacific on emerging training needs and review different sub-regional and regional capacity building initiatives relating to economic statistics to pick common indicators of national interest with respect to monitoring national development strategies.

   (ii) The co-chairs, with the support of the secretariat, should take deliberate steps to raise awareness of the Programme, its successes, with respect to increased ability to produce the Core Set of Economic Statistics by countries through:

   a. Engagement with development partners and key stakeholders at various national/regional and international forums such as the Committee on Statistics and others;

   b. Lead the development, documentation and dissemination of Programme success stories through Taskforces and use them to reach out to users and key decision makers through different communication channels.

   (iii) The co-chairs initiate integration of the Programme with the Sustainable Development Goals in conjunction with the review of the Core Set of
Economic Statistics in Phase III of the Programme and draw their attention to the Collective Vision and Framework for Action.

(iv) The Secretariat facilitate inter-country capacity building and training by countries with strong expertise/resources using the results of the capacity screening as a tool to identify NSSs in great need of support and those with strong expertise/resources to offer.

25. Subject to the guidance of the Committee, the co-chairs of the Steering Group consider a comprehensive review of the Core Set of Economic Statistics to ensure its relevance and meets the needs of users by June 2019. Modalities of the review of the Core Set of Economic Statistics could potentially include:

   (i) Constituting a task force or sub-group within the Steering Group that will assess the Core Set of Economic Statistics by reviewing the capacity screening results and various proceedings and suggestions from the Asia Pacific Economic Statistics seminars;
   (ii) Engage with the Network on emerging training needs and review different sub-regional and regional capacity building initiatives relating to economic statistics to pick common indicators of national interest with respect to monitoring national development strategies.

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VI. Issues for the 6th Committee of Statistics

Decisions

29. Upon considering discussions by the 7th meeting of the Steering Group, the following issues were raised for consideration by the 6th Session of the Committee on Statistics:

i. A proposal for the Committee to agree to the revision of the Core Set of Economic Statistics with respect to its relevance to the Sustainable Development Goals, its alignment with the Collective Vision and Framework for Action and its relevance considering results of the second capacity screening exercise;

ii. Guidance on key priorities of the third phase of the Programme such as data quality improvements and monitoring Programme impacts;

iii. Consideration of the results of the capacity screening to advocate for more support from governments and other partners for economic statistics;

iv. Extension of the regional programme for economic statistics to 2030;

v. Provide any other necessary reflections and guidance on the work of the Steering Group including its achievements.
## Annex I. Meeting Programme

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<td>Ms Suzanne Wong&lt;br&gt;Deputy Director, Economic Accounts Division, Department of Statistics, Singapore&lt;br&gt;Co-Chair of the Steering Group&lt;br&gt;Ms Rikke Munk Hansen&lt;br&gt;Officer in Charge a.i Statistics Division, ESCAP</td>
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<td>Session 1: Status of Programme Implementation</td>
<td>Mr Bahrawar Jan (Session Chair)&lt;br&gt;Deputy Director General, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics&lt;br&gt;Co-Chair of the Steering Group&lt;br&gt;Alick Nyasulu&lt;br&gt;Statistician/ESCAP&lt;br&gt;Select countries/ Insights from IMF, UNSD, ILO, ADB, SPC&lt;br&gt;Ms Suzanne Wong (Chair of the Task Force on Capacity Screening)</td>
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### Session 2: Activities of Task Forces

*The objective of this session is to discuss the work of the APES, Capacity Screening Tool, Statistical Business Register and Quality Assurance Frameworks task forces. The discussions will focus on outputs of task forces, their effect on the programme and suggestions on improving their effectiveness. Members of the four task forces will lead discussions regarding their activities.*

**Points for discussion:**
- What worked well and what did not?
- Suggestions on making task forces more effective
- Proposed Task Force activities for the next year
- Issues out of APES 2018 and suggested topics for APES 2019
- Data quality issues and in the capacity screening tool
- Proposed Task Force activities for next year, if any?

**Background information:**
- Terms of reference for the Task Force
- Finalized Capacity Screening Tool II

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### Session 3: Focus Groups- Program Implementation

*The session is designed as a brainstorming activity and is organized into two groups. The objective of the session is to conduct an in-depth examination of the programme implementation and its various delivery channels (task forces, countries and partners). It is intended to critically assess key factors/challenges that have affected delivery of result areas and make recommendations for the third phase including how the third phase of the programme can be aligned with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.*

**Points for discussion:** Program Implementation
- Effectiveness and efficiency
- Relevancy and Impact
- Recommendations for Phase III

**Background information:**
- RPES Implementation Plan

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| Ms Suzanne Wong (Session Chair) |
| Deputy Director, Economic Accounts Division, Department of Statistics, Singapore |
| Co-Chair of the Steering Group |

| Ms Rikke Munk Hansen |
| Officer in Charge a.i Statistics Division, ESCAP |
| Ms Suzanne Wong (Chair) |

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Annex II. List of participants (members of the Steering Group indicated in bold)

**Bangladesh**

**Mr Abul Kalam Azad**, Director, Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics

Mr Mohammad Salim Sarker, Deputy Director, Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics

**Cambodia**

**Mr Sovorlak Khin**, Deputy Director General, National Institute of Statistics

Mr Chettra Keo, Director, National Institute of Statistics

**China**

**Ms Hongjuan Sun**, Director of Division of Statistical Standards, National Bureau of Statistics

**Hong Kong, China**

**Ms Sui Sum Amy Yu**, Senior Statistician (Sectoral Economic Statistics), Census and Statistics Department

**India**

**Mr Chandrajit Chatterjee**, Deputy Director, Economic Statistics Division, Central Statistics Office, Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation

**Mr Gobinda Prasad Samanta**, Adviser, Reserve Bank of India

**Indonesia**

**Mr Setianto**, Director of Production Accounts, BPS - Statistics Indonesia

**Lao People's Democratic Republic**

**Mr Vixay Santivong**, Director General, Department of Economics Statistics, Lao Statistics Bureau

Mr Phousavanh Chanthasombath, Deputy Director General, Department of Administration, Lao Statistics Bureau

**Malaysia**

**Mr Mohd Yazid Kasim**, Senior Deputy Director, National Accounts Statistics Division, Department of Statistics Malaysia

**Maldives**
Ms Aishath Shahuda, Chief Statistician, National Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance and Treasury

Myanmar

Ms Zar Kyi Win, Staff Officer, Central Statistical Organization (CSO)

Mongolia

Ms Erdenesan Eldev-Ochir, Director of Economic Statistics Department of the National Statistical Office of Mongolia

New Zealand

Mr Hamish Grant, Senior Analyst National Accounts, Statistics New Zealand

Republic of Korea

Mr Heejong Kim, Deputy Director, Economic Statistics Planning Division, Statistics Korea

Pakistan

Mr Bahrawar Jan, Deputy Director General, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

Samoa

Mr Leota Aliielua Salani, Assistant Chief Executive Officer, National Accounts and Finance Statistics, Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Singapore

Ms Suzanne Wong, Deputy Director, Singapore Department of Statistics

Turkey

Ms Aycan Ozek, Director of Monetary and Financial Statistics Division, Statistics Department, Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey

Viet Nam

Mr Pham Quang Vinh, Deputy Director General, General Statistics Office, Ministry of Planning and Investment
DEVELOPMENT PARTNER

Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Mr Kaushal Joshi, Principal Statistician

Department for International Development (DFID)

Mr Craig Irwin, Statistics Adviser, Portfolio Effectiveness Team, DFID Nepal

Ms Joanne McFadden, Adviser, Data for Development Team, Research & Evidence Division

International Labour Organization

Ms Kuangjie Zhong, Junior Professional Officer

International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Ms Qi He, Advisor

Pacific Community (SPC)

Ms Nilima Lal, Economic Statistics Advisor

Mr David Abbott, Manager, Data Analysis and Dissemination, Statistics for Development Division

Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (SIAP)

Mr Makoto Shimizu, Deputy Director

United Nations Statistics Division

Mr Benson Sim, National Accounts Section, Economic Statistics Branch

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Ms Rikke Munk Hansen Officer-in-Charge, a.i., Statistics Division

Mr Alick Nyasulu, Statistician, EES, Statistics Division

Mr Michael Biddington, Statistician, EES, Statistics Division

Ms Farzana Sharmin, Associate Statistician, EES, Statistics Division

Ms Nixie Mabanag-Abarquez, Statistics Assistant, EES, Statistics Division

Ms Supaporn Chatwanichkul, Programme Assistant, EES, Statistics Division

Ms Emma Kasemisuwan, Staff Assistant, EES, Statistics Division
### Annex III. Results of Meeting Evaluation

#### I. Content of the meeting

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| 1. Review the status of programme implementation as at end of Phase II, its second milestone year (2017) | 20 | 0 | 0 | - Good discussion on what has been achieved.  
- Clear monitoring and evaluation results  
- Setting up priorities and addressing key major issues of the progress in TF and deliverables demands core set indicators by 2020  
- A good update on the evolution of the programme. It would have been useful to reflect on achievements and lesson learnt.  
- Know the status of progress of RPES, if take this to future in phase III |
| 2. Review the work of task forces | 16 | 3 | 1 | - (Blank) TF on QAF and SBR need to do more work  
- Reconsider the TF on QAF and SBR. Any outputs? Maybe sharing country experience.  
- TF on QAF/SBR need not continue  
- (No) Less focus  
- Enhance the ToR  
- Need more clarity on propose and output of SBR TF |
| 3. Identify issues to report to the Committee on Statistics at its 6th session in October 2018 | 19 | 1 | | - Still to be circulated the recommendations  
- Sustainable updating SBRs regularly  
- Good to highlight the results of capacity screening and report it to the 6th CST.  
- Report in capacity screening tool needs to be presented.  
- But not focus, unclear priority  
- Identify key areas that need to be addressed to CS-18. To highlight the progress and achievement of core set.  
- It is too general, as it is very apparent to convey to high level the support to statistics |
4. Review and make recommendations on future work arrangements for the SGRPES and Phase III of the programme.

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- (No) unclear recommendation
- All recommendation is very important to SGRPES, but the priorities in phase III is required.

5. Does your participation in the Steering Group benefit the work of your office? Please explain why/why not. *(Please give specific examples)*

- Good for networking, Ideas for future activities that can support the programme
- Yes, I’ve got a lot form SGRPES. I’ve got knowledge about CS exercise tools and noticed what level that economic statistics in our country are, identified the gap from the core set. We will benefit from these.
- Yes. It provided a forum for exchanges of ideas and how to put forth the initiatives.
- Yes. The recommendations are conveyed to the NSO through the SGRPES forum, with respect to challenges in general, which may otherwise not be conveyed to the appropriate authorities.
- Yes. We know the way to conclude the issues.
- Yes. It gives us a perspective as to where our country is vis-à-vis others in terms of the programme. Give a platform to discuss issues and learn from other countries and discussions.
- It is very useful for the work of our office. I obtained information that helps our office to know and understand the programme. It is good chance to discuss with other colleagues to learn experiences.
- Uplift the visibility of my office. Enhance collaborations and expose to latest best practices. Enhance our role at regional level. Opportunities to improve and learn from resource person. Enhance partnership and collaboration at regional level.
- Yes. Going back to my office, I usually have the Steering Group work and capacity screening results within my office and try to understand the gaps to be addressed in the future.
- Identify the economic areas, which challenging in the regional and the national, and how we can solve these challenges.
6. Do you have any comments or suggestions for the improvement of future meetings of the Steering Group including how the group should work?

- More consideration of users. Consider sub-regional activities.
- No, thanks.
- Good presentation of countries/economies. Good organization of the meeting.
- Members may be invited to host APES/SG meetings for higher visibilities to country NSOs.
- Should be more focus. The discussions on the issues should involve the whole country members to come up to more focus issues.
- It could be useful if all documents presented in the meeting be sent to us in advance.
- To start discussion early and set up a working group, should it can be made possible. Strong and effective support from ESCAP secretariat. Well done ESCAP. Thank you very much. Great job.
- Breakout sessions were good but need better chairs that will listen to participants. Need more clarity on the role of TFs.

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