



TANZANIA STATISTICAL MASTER PLAN BULLETIN-
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The Tanzania Statistical Master Plan (TSMP) Bulletin provides a short overview of the latest developments and activities within the TSMP. It is jointly coordinated by the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) and the Office of Chief Government Statistician (OCGS) Zanzibar. This Bulletin is for the period of July to December, 2011.

Introduction

The National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) and Office of Chief Government Statistician (OCGS) Zanzibar in collaboration with other Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) is undertaking statistical reforms project with technical and financial assistance from the government of Tanzania development partners. The project is implemented under the Tanzania Statistical Master Plan (TSMP). The TSMP Vision is “to be an efficient and well-integrated National Statistical System that produces quality statistics for planners, researchers and decision makers in an objective, timely and cost-effective manner”. The main objective of the TSMP is to strengthen the National Statistical System in Tanzania to produce quality statistics for decision makers in an

objective, timely and cost effective manner. The TSMP was approved by the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania in June 2010 and full implementation began in July 2011.

Components of TSMP

The TSMP focuses on five major components namely: Institutional Development, Human Resource Development, Development of Statistical Infrastructure, Data Development and Dissemination and Development of Physical Infrastructure and Equipment. Also, there is one supporting component known as TSMP Coordination responsible for day to day activities and management of the program.

TSMP PROGRESS DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY TO JUNE, 2011

This report will give highlights of the progress made during the reference period. It is based on the 2011/12 Annual Work Plan and will focus on the of activities

executed during the July -December 2011 under each of TSMP Components

1. Institutional Development and Legal Reforms

The NBS has prepared and submitted to Presidents Office -Public Service Management (PO-PSM) proposals of areas to be revised on the Statistical Act with the purpose of improving Institutional and Legal Framework. NBS is waiting for responses from (PO-PSM) for further action. In Zanzibar, Development of Statistical Regulations basing on Statistical Act, 2007 is ongoing and initial draft report was produced by the

consultant and is now awaiting comments from OCGS management before its finalization. With regard to Development of Organization Structure and Job Description for OCGS, the Zanzibar Statistics Board approved the Organization Structure and Job description submitted by the consultant then embarked on its implementation.

2. Human Resource Capacity Development

Consultancy work to review the current NBS organizational structure, develop change management program, pay reform structure and new salary payment policy, human resource development strategy was on

progress. By the end of the year 2011, draft report on this aspect was submitted to NBS for comments before its finalization.

3. Development of Statistical Infrastructure

Cartographic work to demarcate enumeration areas partly supported by TSMP is continuing and by the end

of December, 2011, about 85 percent of cartographic work was completed. Initiatives of establishing a system

of quality assurance within the NSS for the United Republic of Tanzania is underway. NBS is waiting for

feedback from World Bank on the draft TOR submitted recently.

4. Data Development and Dissemination

Activities under data development and dissemination that were undertaken during the July to December, 2011 are as stated below:

(a) Revision and Rebasement of National Accounts for Tanzania Mainland and Zanzibar with the assistance from Demark Statistics is on progress.

- Among the activities involved are Extraction of data from different sources including National Sample Census of Agriculture, Household Budget Survey, Integrated Labour Force Survey, Government Finance, Tax data from TRA and Annual Survey of Industrial Production;
- Developing and compilation of the 2007 Supply Use Table (SUT) Framework

(b) Integrated Business Survey (Tanzania Mainland) where Training of Supervisors and Enumerators, Data collection, Data processing and tabulation were completed. Also, initial report writing for Distributive module were conducted during the reference period

(c) Tanzania HIV-AIDS Indicator Survey 2011-12 (United Republic of Tanzania) where Pre-Test/Pilot, Training of Trainers and Enumerators, Listing of Households from selected EAs and Printing of Survey instrument were completed by November 2011 and data collection began in December, 2011;

(d) Data collection of the National Panel Survey (United Republic) was completed in September, 2011. Preliminary Analytical report comparing Wave 1 and 2 was produced in Oct, 2011.

(e) Household Budget Survey 2011-12 in Tanzania Mainland where Training of Trainers (TOT), Sampling exercise, Recruitment and Training of enumerators were completed. Data collection exercise started in October 2011 and will end on October 2012.

(f) Preliminary Analytical report of the National Panel Survey comparing Wave 1 and 2 was produced in Oct, 2011.

5. Physical Infrastructure and Equipment

During the period, NBS hired a consultant to carry out ICT needs assessment. Draft report was expected to be produced in January, 2012. After which the report will

be shared by NBS Management and Development Partners of the TSMP Basket for their comments.

4. TSMP Coordination

The TSMP coordination Unit has the responsibility of day to day activities as part of the Implementation of TSMP. During the reference period the NBS and OCGS continued to implement activities that were in Project Preparatory Activities and other priority activities agreed by NBS, OCGS and Development Partners. These activities include:

a) User Satisfaction Survey that was aimed to provide baseline information about stakeholders perception of NBS and OCGS services was conducted and draft

d) In October, 2011, NBS organized an Annual Statistics Review which was attended by stakeholders; senior

preliminary report was produced in October, 2011 then finalized in November, 2011.

b) The work on developing results logical frame work and a system for monitoring and evaluation purposes has that was earlier submitted to NBS and OCGS was reviewed and comments submitted to the consultant. It is anticipated that the reviewed report will be finalized before the end of February, 2012;

c) Joint TSMP Steering committee held its meeting on August, 2011 followed by a meeting of Interim Steering Committee

government officials, training institutions and development partners to review the 2010/11 TSMP

activities. It also invited independent reviewers on

some selected statistical products.

e) NBS hired a consultant to conduct IT needs assessment. A draft report is expected in January, 2012.

g) A firm to conduct User Satisfaction Survey in order to provide baseline information about stakeholders perception of NBS and OCGS services was engaged

and the assignment has been accomplished. The preliminary report was presented in the Statistical Annual Review held in October, 2011.

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