



## **Bahrain Census Experience**

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***The*** Kingdom of Bahrain was the first in the Arabic Gulf Region and the fourth among the Arabic countries to conduct CENSUS in 1941.

All over the years the government in Bahrain built the country infrastructure in all aspects, which allowed the Kingdom to conduct a success story of a Register Based Census.

In 2007 the Kingdom started planning and Preparation for Census 2010. Major tasks were to ensure availability and readiness of all Census prerequisites including definitions, classifications, data quality and cleansing, data coverage and ownership, and to identify the missing variables.

All concerned government authorities were involved, a sample survey was carried out to collect the Census missing variables.

A distinguishing feature of 2010 Census was the usage of recent trends in technology, which was proven to be cost and time effective and enhanced the quality of data.

Challenges, critical success factors, and lessons learned will be discussed in details.