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## **Executive Work Plan Activity Report**

# Prioritising Development Goals of the OIC Member Countries under StatCaB Activities

#### **1 Background Information**

The Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC) has been conducting the biennial OIC-StatCaB Survey since 2007 with the aim to identify statistical training needs and capacities of the National Statistical Offices (NSO) of OIC Member Countries. Based on the responses, short term-trainings are implemented by sending an expert from the Provider Institution to the Beneficiary Institution.

In accordance with the Executive Work Plan1 (EWP) for the Short, Medium and Long Term Implementation of the OIC-StatCom Strategic Vision adopted at the Third Session of OIC-StatCom held on 10-12 April 2013 in Ankara-Turkey, two new columns - (G) and (H) - have been introduced in the Statistical Domains section to assist the Secretariat in the preparation of the framework mentioned as strategic sub-objective with priority #1 in the EWP.

While the responses to column (G) map the statistical domains to the objectives/pillars of the development plan or programme, the responses to column (H) identify the priorities of the development objectives stated in column (G). The member country may skip these last two columns if the country is not implementing a development plan or programme.

#### 2 **Respondents of the Inquiry**

As of April 2014, 33 member countries namely; Afghanistan, Albania, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Egypt, Cote D'Ivoire, Gambia, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Kuwait, Nigeria, Palestine, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Suriname, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkey, and Uganda filled in some domains of the newly added two columns and sent the surveys to the Secretariat. 9 Countries has skipped this part.

### **3 Objective of the Inquiry**

To enhance for preparing an OIC-StatCom framework to support the NSS of the OIC Member Countries in accordance with their development priorities. This framework outlines the statistical capacity



development priority areas by identifying the needs of the NSOs and professional skills essential for statistical information collection, collation, processing, and dissemination; and describes general strategies for carrying out effective programs.

## 4 Correspondences for Development Objectives & Statistical Activities

### 4.1 Social and Demographic Statistics

28 countries mainly had pillars of their development plan on the following subject areas;

- Population and Migration
- Labour
- Income and Consumption
- Justice and Crime

### **4.2 Economic Statistics**

25 countries related their development programmes mostly to the following subject areas;

- Quarterly National Accounts
- Supply-Use and Input-Output Tables
- Balance of Payments and International Trade
- Business Statistics
  - ✤ Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries
  - ✤ Manufacturing
  - ✤ Wholesale and Retail Trade
- Cross-Cutting Economic Statistics
  - Tourism (including Tourism Satellite Accounts)
  - Science, Technology and Innovation

#### 4.3 Environment and Multi-Domain Statistics

The following areas, especially the Millennium Development Goals Indicators and Sustainable Development, were mostly indicated as objectives of the development plan of the 24 countries;

- Environment
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Poverty, Living Conditions and Cross-Cutting Social Issues
- Gender and Special Population Groups
- Millennium Development Goals Indicators
- Sustainable Development



## 4.4 Methodology of Data Collection, Processing, Dissemination and Analysis

11 countries indicated the following subjects under this domain;

- Metadata
- Data Editing and Data Linkage
- Data Analysis

## 4.5 Strategic and Managerial Issues of Official Statistics

8 countries related their development programmes mostly to the following subject areas;

- Sound IT Project Management
- Staffing for IT Support