Sound Institutional Environment, Cooperation, Dialogue And Partnerships for the Production And Utilization Of SDG Indicators

Coordination, Legal Frameworks and Funding Mechanisms of the National Statistical System In Ethiopia

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### Historical Background of CSA

- The CSA started working in 1960 (1953EC)
- CSA is re-organized /re-established in 2005 (1997EC)
- Formerly the CSA
  - running National Integrated Household and Enterprise Survey Program;
  - undertaking ad-hoc surveys;
  - conducting census; and
  - compilation of secondary data from administrative records.

#### Historical Background of CSA ... cont'd

- The existing situation of the CSA
  - run a number of national socio-economic and demographic surveys;
  - field staff in 25 branch offices (enumerators, supervisors, statisticians, drivers...etc);
  - Iogistic support (field equipment and vehicles);
  - Data collecting & processing facilities:
    - Scanning machines for data entries
    - Computers Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI)
    - ✓ GPS
    - PDA

#### The Mandates of the CSA

- Collect, process, analyze and disseminate socioeconomic and demographic statistical data through censuses, sample surveys, continuous registration and administrative recording systems;
- Provide technical guidance and assistance to MDAs in improving a system of administrative statistics;
- build the capacity required for providing directives and consultations in development of administrative records and registration systems;

#### The Mandates of the CSA ....cont'd

- Provide advisory services to all of the NSS;
- Coordinating the NSS institutionally and technically;
- Standardizing the statistical production process of other producers;
- Designing the National Strategy for the Development of Statistics (NSDS);

### Vision and Missions of CSA Vision

- To be a centre of excellence in providing official statistics that can be used as an input for sustainable socioeconomic development.

- Missions
- To produce comprehensive, timely, reliable and standardized statistical information using scientific statistical methods;
- lead the country's statistical system;
- become a centre of official statistical training; and
- fulfil all users' needs through ICT based data archiving, dissemination analysis and system

#### The Organizational structure of the USA



#### **National Statistical System**

- The NSS is facilitated and coordinated by the CSA;
- National Statistical System includes all sectors, that is, ministries, agencies and departments of the government, that are involved in generating statistics directly through surveys or through administrative records;
- Research institutes and professional associations are also part of the NSS;

#### National Statistical System ... cont'd

- The CSA responsible for coordinating, monitoring and supervising the activities of the NSS and ensuring that international and national standards are adhered;
- Coordinating the NSS aimed to lead the system where all the sub-systems work in a harmony to be able to generate required data efficiently and sustainably;
- Coordinating NSS also aimed to assist the MDAs to develop the sectors strategy for the development of statistics

#### National Statistical System ... cont'd

- In the coordination of the national statistical System:
  - provision of training on the data quality for the lower administrative MIS experts based on EDQAF;
  - Provision of statistical trainings on the demands of MDAs;
  - Conducting data quality assessments for sectors based on EDQAF;
  - Producing the standard documents for the producers and users

#### **Funding Statistical Development**

- The NSDS II is a five-year strategy designed to strengthen the entire National Statistical System taking into account the concerns of the MDAs;
- The budget planed in the strategic plan is therefore for the overall strengthening of the NSS and implementing improvement measures for the MDAs statistics;
- About 80% of the total budget needed is estimated to be covered by the government;
- In addition to the central government, the line ministries, development partners and other international organizations are the sponsors

## **Opportunities**

- Better attention given by the government to the statistics;
- Increasing demand for timely and high quality data by users;
- Financial and technical support from donors for statistical development;
- Modernization in data collections;
- Opportunity to learn from other national statistical offices and participation in initiatives and cooperation with regional, continental and international organizations;

## **Challenges in NSS**

- The state of the MIS for a lot of sectors is not strong
  - absence of obtaining training to establish and operate MIS;
- Unequal statistical capacity across the NSS;
- Low/poor statistical advocacy;
- Inadequate placements of statistical units within NSS set-up and lack of effective organizational structures across the NSS

### Challenges in NSS ....cont'd

- Absence of Sectors' Statistical Strategies for the Development of Statistics in all sectors;
- Week coordination within the NSS;
- Inadequate staffing at CSA to carry out its mandates of coordinating the MDAs statistical activities;

### To address the Challenges

- CSA Designed the NSDS II for the period 2015/16 to 2019/20, by mainstreaming of the GTP II and SDG
  - NSDS II is aligned with GTP II [which is dictated by the international development agenda (SDG)];
  - The NSDS II covers statistical development in the entire statistical system;
  - Raising the public profile for statistics;
  - Promoting cooperation, collaboration and coordination among and within the NSS, and

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