

Written Statement of Bangladesh

Agenda Item 4: Regional initiatives and partnerships for strengthening national statistical systems for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS) has conducted a digital 'Population and Housing Census 2022' for the first time to contribute to the development of 'Digital Bangladesh' announced by the government and to provide timely and accurate data in keeping with the trends. Bangladesh has already published the preliminary report of the census within one month after completion of the census ever in census history of Bangladesh. Some of the significant features of this census were: (a) Easy and precise identification of enumeration area through digital map prepared by combining Geographic Information System (GIS) and Geocode (b) Data collection using digital devices (tablets) through Computer Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) method (c) Use of dedicated data center having TIER IV Security to ensure data storage and security (d) Introduction of web-based Integrated Census Management System (ICMS) for managing all census activities and ensuring its effective use in all areas.

In the census we have covered 8 global SDG indicators on which very disaggregate data that is up to village level will be covered. Thus, this census will help us to ensure the visibility of the vulnerable groups to formulate the policy to ensure leave no one behind.

Bangladesh will be very happy to share the experiences of conducting digital census on the 8th biggest population if the other countries are interested. Bangladesh welcomes member countries and international agencies to visit Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics to know more about the census 2022.