

Pakistan's Statement for Speaker

Agenda Item-4(a)

The regional initiative and partnership for strengthening NSS for implementation of 2030 agenda for sustainable development, is the core initiative for the NSS of every member country. The working of the secretariat of Committee on Statistics for the statistical training in the regional countries of Asia and Pacific, the technical working group on disaster related statistics in Asia and the Pacific, the regional steering group on population and social statistics, steering group for the regional programme for the improvement of economic statistics in Asia and the Pacific, and working of steering group for regional initiatives with respect to the collective vision and framework for action, are highly appreciated and acknowledged.

The five action areas of engaging users and investing in statistics, assuring quality and instilling trust in statistics, integrated statistics for integrated analysis, modernizing statistical business process, and using requisite skill set are important areas for working in NSS of every country. The working, progress, and success for these areas are highly appreciated.

It is recommended that the working and/or steering groups may be reconstituted by replacing some old members or by increasing members so that a few new members could be involved for their capacity building in these areas.

Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) has adopted modernized methods of data collection, processing, and dissemination for the surveys conducted from 2018 to 2021 and will continue in future. Tablet based data collection, Metadata exchange, digitization of area frame for enumeration blocks, online monitoring system, real time data analysis during field operation through dashboards, possible editing checks during data collection to reduce the time lag between data collection and report generation, have been adopted by PBS particularly with reference to forthcoming digital population and housing census in Pakistan.