**Workshop for *Integrating Policy and Data to Leave no One Behind in Mongolia –
Targeted Program on Social Development***
Concept Note
5ᵗʰ – 7ᵗʰ December 2022

Objective

To develop recommendations for a comprehensive indicator framework for the Targeted Program on Social Development in Mongolia, fully aligned with policy priorities and clearly identified data needs and target population groups.

Background

ESCAP, with support from the Republic of Korea, launched a project on "integrating policy and data to leave no one behind" in 2021. The project aims to support countries reviewing and developing comprehensive indicator frameworks for policy monitoring, which are well integrated with the four dimensions of development and leave no one behind.

The Government of Mongolia has recently drafted the policy entitled *Targeted Program on Social Development*, subject to parliamentary approval. The Ministry of Economy and Development recognized it as good timing to collaborate with ESCAP to create a comprehensive monitoring and evaluation framework for it. In this context, the technical workshop is designed to (1) review concepts and processes related to the design of an indicator framework; (2) use ESCAP's Every Policy is Connected approach to determine issues for action, mapping them to relevant development concepts; and (3) identify most relevant indicators, proposing a final set of indicators and disaggregation requirements for the monitoring and evaluation of the Targeted Program on Social Development.

Expected Outputs

Increased capacity of relevant national officials in assuring policy inclusiveness and developing a comprehensive indicator framework for the Targeted Program on Social Development. All participants are expected to be engaged in the discussions and contribute towards the workshop outputs.

Dates and organization

The workshop will take place at the Blue Sky Hotel in Ulaanbaatar during **5 to 7 December 2022**.

ESCAP will provide resource persons as well as venue, lunch and coffee breaks. The workshop language will be English with simultaneous interpretation in Mongolian.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Timing	Session	Moderator
Monday, 5 December 2022		
8:00 – 8:30	Registration and welcome	
8:30 – 8:35	Introduction and program	Moderator from MED
8:35 – 8:45	Opening remarks by the Ministry of Economy and Development and ESCAP	MED and ESCAP
8:45 – 10:15	**Introduction: Refresher on policy and data integration approach (1:15)** • Objectives of policy and data integration for Social Development: coverage, inclusiveness, and effective monitoring • Adopting sound indicators for policy monitoring • Policy and data integration applied to the Targeted Program on Social Development: progress so far (by MED) • Q&A • Main activities and expected outcomes from the workshop **Outcome**: Participants are familiar with the main concepts of policy and data integration and understand what the main outcomes for this session are	ESCAP and MED
10:15 -10:45	Coffee Break & group Photo	
10:45 – 12:25	**Working session 1: Review of policy outcomes from the Targeted Program on Social Development** • Review the policy outcomes by 5 working groups (1 working group per area: Labour, Human-friendly environment, Family, Social welfare, and Demographics): 40 min **Outcome**: Agreed set of policy outcomes	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
12:25 – 13:30	Lunch	
13:30 – 15:00	**Working session 2: Review of the list of policy priorities from the Targeted Program on Social Development** • Review the policy priorities (issues requiring action) by the 5 working groups: 50 min • Present recommendations in plenary: 40 min **Outcome**: Agreed set of issues for action	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
15:00 -15:20	Coffee Break	
15:20 – 16:50	**Working session 3: Policy coverage** • Presentation on the core concepts, with examples from the Targeted Program on Social Development: 20 Min • Review and understanding of Core Concepts: 40 min • Present recommendations in plenary: 30 min **Outcome**: Agreed combinations of core concepts and issues for action	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
16:50 – 17:00	Wrap up Day 1	MED and ESCAP
Tuesday, 6 December 2022		

Timing	Session	Moderator
9:00 – 10:30	**Catch up with Day 1 and Introduction to Day 2 (10 min)** **Working session 4: Inclusiveness** • Presentation: what are reference and target population groups? 10 min • In 5 groups, review the issues requiring action and propose target population groups: 50 min • Present recommendations in plenary: 20 min **Outcome**: Reference and target populations per policy outcome identified	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
10:30 -10:50	Coffee Break	
10:50 – 12:30	**Working session 5: Identification of indicators** • Presentation: Existing indicator frameworks (SDGs, national monitoring): 15 min • Each group identifies social development related indicators from national, regional, and global M&E frameworks to be adopted for monitoring the Targeted Program on Social Development: 85 min **Outcome**: List of social development related indicators identified with data availability	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	
13:30 – 15:00	**Working session 5 (Cont.): Identification of indicators** • Continue from session 5 (70 min) • Present indicators organized per area in plenary: 20 min **Outcome**: Mapping of relevant national, regional, and global indicators on the Targeted Program on Social Development outcomes finalized	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
15:00 -15:20	Coffee Break	
15:20 – 16:20	**Working session 6: Identification of gaps (part I)** • Identification of policy outcomes that are still missing indicators and proposing indicators: 60 min **Outcome**: Additional indicators adopted under outcomes without indicators	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
16:20 – 16:30	Wrap up day 2	MED and ESCAP
Wednesday, 7 December 2022		
09:00 – 10:20	**Catch up with Day 2 and Introduction to Day 3 (10 min)** **Working session 7: Identification of gaps (part II)** • Identification of social development-related indicators not being adopted in sessions 5 and 6, and propose a new policy outcome for them for future consideration: 70 min **Outcome**: List of new policy outcomes and their corresponding indicators for future consideration	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
10:20 -10:40	Coffee Break	
10:40 – 12:00	**Working session 8: Data and metadata planning** • All participants engaged in discussion: 80 min **Outcome**: Remaining relevant indicators adopted	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch	

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13:00 – 14:20	**Working session 9: What we have achieved?** • Presentation: Summarize the Policy and Data integration outputs-- Existing policy outcomes, Target population groups, adopted indicators, newly proposed policy outcomes and their indicators (15 min) • Discuss in groups, next steps, challenges, and opportunities for change: 25 min • Plenary discussion: 40 All participants engaged in discussion **Output**: Agree on the outputs and next steps	MED and ESCAP will facilitate discussions and moderate presentations
14:20 – 14:35	Invite participants to evaluate the workshop (*using the online form*)	ESCAP
14:35 – 14:50	Wrap up & Closing	MED and ESCAP
Thursday, 8 December 2022		
	Inception of technical work on SDG progress assessment (VNR support)	MED, NSO, ESCAP and RCO