Tajikistan: Data governance profile

AGENCY ON STATISTICS UNDER PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN



1. Vision and policy intent

Tajikistan's <u>National Development</u> <u>Strategy</u> of the <u>Republic of Tajikistan</u> for the period up to 2030

envisages a steadily growing, competitive country that provides decent living standards for the population, equal opportunities for each person to realize his or her potential on the basis of equality, justice and respect for human dignity.

The strategy includes goals (e.g. "strengthening the legal framework for the information society" and "developing egovernment services.") that require effective data collection, analysis, and utilization to be achieved effectively.

National Development Strategies and the Poverty Reduction stress the importance of relevant and reliable statistical data to make decisions for successful program implementation and identify the demand for expanded capacity to analyze and interpret statistics in support of evidence-based policy making and implementation monitoring. 2. Data Management: policies, rules & institutions

The Interdepartmental Council on Statistics under the Agency on Statistics under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan is an advisory body for coordinating activities in the field of organizing state statistical observations based on scientifically based statistical methodology. The interdepartmental working group directly carries out work on improving the methodology of statistical accounting and strengthening interdepartmental activities. 3. Data custodians and data stewardship

The <u>Statistical Agency</u> under President of the Republic of Tajikistan is the central statistical office of the country. The Agency on Statistics is administratively autonomous and its head serves as the country's chief statistician who reports to the President and government.

The Statistical Agency is responsible for population censuses, household surveys, demographic statistics and a wide range of economic statistics involving establishment and enterprise surveys, as well as prices, international trade, the national accounts, government finance, agricultural, labor and social statistics.

In the case of social statistics, the Agency on Statistics compiles the data from administrative records of corresponding Ministries. The National Bank of Tajikistan (NBT) compiles monetary data.

4. Data sharing, accessibility and integration

The Agency on Statistics at the President of the Republic of Tajikistan provides the official portal offering statistical data across various sectors like demographics, economy, agriculture, and social indicators.

The Statistical Agency is authorized by law to keep the state statistical register - a tool of statistical accounting containing an obligatory list of administrative and primary statistical indicators characterizing the activity of statistical units according to the Unified system of technicaleconomic and social-information classification and coding.

5. Data sharing, risks & mitigation

The statistics collected and disseminated by the Statistical Agency are governed by the Law of the Tajik Republic on State Statistics (No 588, dated January12,2010) that establishes the independence of the Statistical Agency and guarantees the confidentiality of the data provided by the individual statistical units.

Tajikistan's data protection framework relies on several different laws and regulations including:

- Law on Personal Data (PDPL): This is the central piece of legislation outlining the core principles of data protection, including definitions of personal data, processing requirements, and data subject rights.
- Constitution of the Republic of Tajikistan: Article 23 guarantees the right to protection of personal data.
- Law on Information: This law sets out general principles concerning information access, dissemination, and storage.

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