Sri Lanka Statement on Agriculture Statistics

Thank you Chair;

First of all, I would like to share with you the situation : The Global Strategy to improve Agriculture and Rural Statistics under SPARS upto 2018. And it has been given an immense of improvements in Sri Lanka National Statistical System and progress for reaching the achieving of SDG's into 2020, 2025 and 2030.

UNESCAL/SIAP/ FAO/ ADB programmes have successfully contributed to the getting technical knowledge and know how. Presently; Department of Census & Statistics is using CAPI for Survey data collection in future we are planning to use CAPI system for the Population Census & Economic Census also. It is aiming to use the Master Frame for all Censuses and Surveys further in the next decennial period.

Aiming to this committee achievements; the prioritized 1st phase and 2nd phase of the Regional Action Plan are accepted and agreed. Further improvements of the statistics field by Sri Lanka are immense to reach the final goals of SDGs.

We have planned the Agricultural and Rural Statistics Census under the Economic Census 2012, which will be used the same Master Frame of the Population Census 2021 creating.

We have to move to CAPI System to Data collection in the field in both Population and Economic Censuses 2021 & 2022 respectively .

- 1. Now our planning stage is going on.
- 2. To follow the international frame works and guidelines.
- 3. To estimating and allocating budgetary requirements.
- 4. Particulars of Sri Lanka is having followings
 - a. Total of 20 million population
 - b. Total of 5 million Households
 - c. Total of 2 million Smallholdings
 - d. Total of 65,000 Census Blocks
 - e. Total of 14,000 Grama Niladari Divisions
 - f. Total of 25 Districts and Divisional Secretariat Divisions