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Statement by

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at

Seventh Session of Committee on Statistics on
Agenda 2(b): Monitoring progress in line with the document entitled
“Advancing official statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable
Development: a collective vision and framework for action by the Asia-
Pacific statistical community” and the Declaration on Navigating Policy
with Data to Leave No One Behind

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Chairman and Distinguished Colleagues,

It is an honour and privilege for me to participate in the Seventh Session of the ESCAP Committee on Statistics and to share India's views.

Mr. Chairman,

India supports the proposed Monitoring and Evaluation Framework with following amendments:

India has suggested to include Development of Statistical Strategy for overcoming the challenges in availability/generation of dis-aggregated data on all SDG indicators from Global to National, National to local level, etc. in Monitoring and Evaluation Diagram of Annex-I under objective of action areas (c): Integrated Statistics for integrated analysis.

Under Partner Commitments 5(c): 'Continue to strengthen international statistical standards and provide technical support, the indicator, P.3 Number of Sustainable Development Goal indicators without agreed metadata standards (tier III), is redundant at this stage as there are no Tier III indicator in Global Indicator Framework (GIF) after 2020 Comprehensive Review on SDGs.

Further, in the latest GIF, there are certain Global SDG indicators for which target has not been fixed. Therefore, under commitment of 5(c), Global SDG indicators without fixed target(s) may be considered for fixing specific targets. This will help policy makers at national level to keep a track on the progress of key indicators vis-à-vis target(s). ESCAP may also consider evolving and setting regional targets.

Mr. Chairman,

India also supports the findings of baseline report on progress towards implementation of the Collective Vision and Framework for Action and Declaration, Navigating Policy with Data to Leave No One Behind.

Mr. Chairman,

India further endorses the proposed monitoring and evaluation dashboard performance reporting template.

Thank you Chair.
