

**Government of India
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**Interventions/Comments on Agenda items of the Seventh Session of the
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Agenda Item 3(b): Advancing Official Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Developments: initiatives by global regional and sub-regional organizations in support of the collective vision and framework for action.

Interventions/Comments of NSO India:

1. In order to bridge data gaps on SDG Indicators, National Statistical Office (NSO) India, in collaboration with UNICEF, has customized the UNICEF's Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS) in Indian context and developed a modified survey instrument while launching the Multiple Indicator Survey (MIS) from January 2020. The results will provide data on number of SDG Indicators. The duration of this survey is one year and this survey will be repeated after every 3 years.
2. NSO, India has also aligned its other existing surveys as per national SDG requirements. In this context, NSO, India would be coordinating with UNICEF and other UN Organizations in future also.
3. NSO, India is also putting in place a National Quality Assurance Framework for all statistical products including surveys, in order to ensure quality of collected data.