





# Agency on Statistics under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan

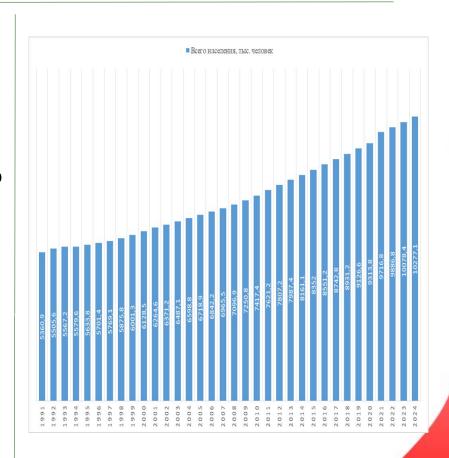
# Diagnostics of child data systems and action planning to improve child statistics in the context of SDGs in Tajikistan



#### **Background**



- Estimated population as of 1 January 2024 10.28 million people
- Annual population growth rate in the past 32 years average of 2.0% to 2.1%
- ➤ Population has nearly doubled
- ➤ 41.4% of the population (boys 42.1%, girls 40.6%) are children
- Median age of the population is 23.4 years old







Law of the Republic of Tajikistan on State Statistics

National
Development
Strategy up to
2030





National strategic documents (NDS-2030, SDP 2021-2026)

Regulation on the Agency on Statistics under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan

## **Conceptual framework**



- ➤ Diagnostic analysis of child-related data systems with an emphasis on the <u>Sustainable Development Goals</u> (SDGs).
- ➤ Provision of overall assessment of availability and accessibility of data on child-related SDG indicators and, in a broader sense, child rights obligations in terms of data demand, supply and usage.
- ➤ More in-depth analysis of data systems on statistics on children in alternative care using the UNICEF toolkit

#### **METHODOLOGY AND PROCESS**



# Document analysis

# Data collection

# Four rounds of workshops

# Coordination with ministries

- ✓ Regulatory framework
- ✓ Information systems assessments
- ✓ Statistics publications
- ✓ Strategic documents
- ✓ Websites

- ✓ Interviews with key informants
- ✓ Ministries and agencies
- ✓ Academia
- ✓ Development partners

- ✓ Initial (Kick-off) seminar
- ✓ Discussion of scope and focus
- ✓ Presentation of preliminary results of the diagnostic analysis and action plan
- ✓ Final incl. Results of evaluation of alternative care data systems

✓ Submission of the draft Roadmap for consideration to Ministries and Agencies

#### **LIMITATIONS IN METHODOLOGY**



- >The analysis is not comprehensive and exhaustive
- ➤ No in-depth analysis of data systems for each sector or each SDG, nor does it cover all child rights indicators.
- There might be imbalances between sections, which can be addressed over time.
- ➤ Data quality criteria considered availability, accuracy, timeliness and relevance.

# Ministries and agencies responsible for providing SDG indicators

Up to 6 indicators 6 -10 indicators 11-20 indicators 21-30 indicators More than 30 indicators

11 agencies 8 agencies 5 agencies 1 agency 2 agencies



Agencies responsible for providing 30 or more indicators:

- 1. Agency on Statistics 49 indicators
- 2. Ministry of Health and Social Protection 31 indicators

## INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO **ACHIEVE SDG INDICATORS**





World Bank





Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations



United Nations Children's Fund



United States Agency for **International Development** 



**United Nations Development Program** 



**European Union** 









CIS Intergovernmental Statistics Committee

**International Monetary Fund** 









**Organization for Economic** Cooperation and Development

> International Labor **Organization ILO**



«SESRIC»



Asian Development Bank



**Economic Commission for** Europe (UNECE)

# THEMATIC AREAS OF DIAGNOSTIC ANALYSIS



- Demography
- SDG 1: Child poverty
- SDGs 2 and 3. Health & Nutrition
- SDG 4. Quality Education
- SDG 5. Gender Equality
- SDG 8. Decent Work
- SDGs 6 and 4. Clean Water & Sanitation
- SDG 16. Justice for Children
- No One Left Behind Vulnerable Children



#### **STRATEGIC AREAS**



#### In terms of data demand:

- Continue integrating the NDS/SDG priorities related to children and CRC recommendations into national strategic documents, thereby increasing demand for statistical information among all institutional users (short term)
- ➤ Promote increased demand for child rights data in the short and medium term by promoting key child rights indicators (short and medium term)

#### STRATEGIC AREAS



#### From data production perspective:

- Fill data gaps through surveys (short- and long-term)
- Improve the quality of administrative data through in-depth evaluation (short- to medium-term)
- Improve data interoperability and cross-sectoral data-sharing mechanisms (medium- to long-term)
- Improve the availability of child-related data, in particular at the subnational level (medium term)

#### Strategic areas

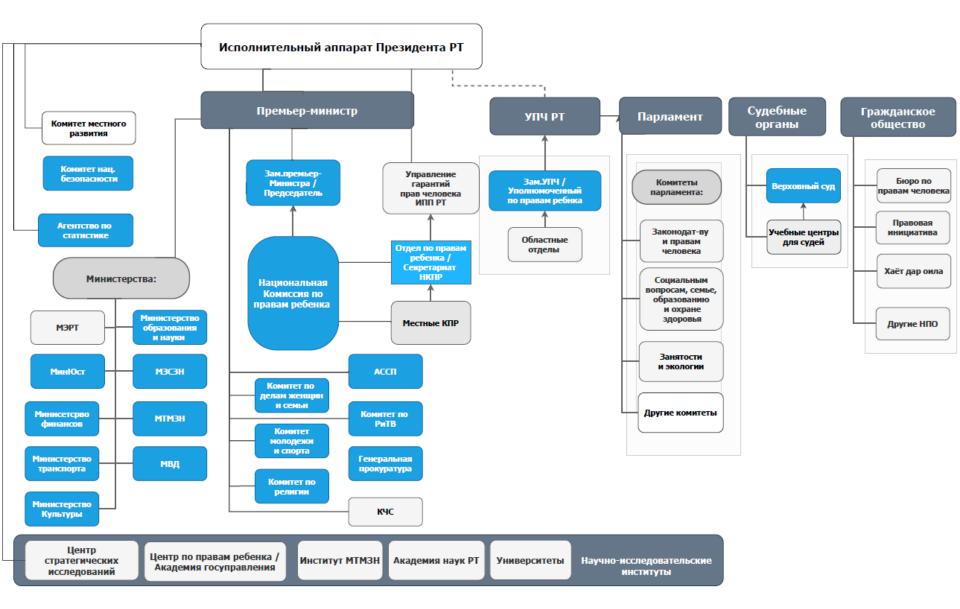


#### From data utilization perspective:

- ➤ Promote the use of data, particularly at the subnational level, as addressing issues in regions may have a significant impact on country's achievement of the SDGs.
- Anticipation of potential use of data and investment in capacity building for decision-makers, particularly in child's rights institutions
- ➤ Raise awareness on child rights indicators and on the use of data for policy development and evaluation among agencies responsible for implementation of child rights
- Partnerships with national institutions to conduct secondary analysis of child data

#### **USERS OF STATISTICS ON CHILDREN**





#### **LESSONS LEARNED**



- ➤ Possibility to apply different approaches such as general review of data systems with a focus on SDGs and an in-depth analysis of data systems for children in alternative care
- ➤ Bringing together a wide range of stakeholders and highlighting statistics on children from different perspectives such as: sectoral, cross-cutting and Sustainable Development Goals.
- ➤ Creating a single platform (for the circle of stakeholders) to further improve statistics on children based on the agreed Roadmap

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## **Findings**

- The diagnostic analysis has laid the foundation for the development of the Roadmap for Improving Child Data and identified key areas of strategic objectives
- The Roadmap will help the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, UNICEF and other partners to channel limited resources into concrete actions to improve data on children and facilitate future resource mobilization efforts
- The Roadmap will help the Agency on Statistics and other ministries and agencies to implement the priorities of National Strategy for the Development of Statistics for the period up to 2030, with the objective of improving statistics on children.

#### **Next steps**



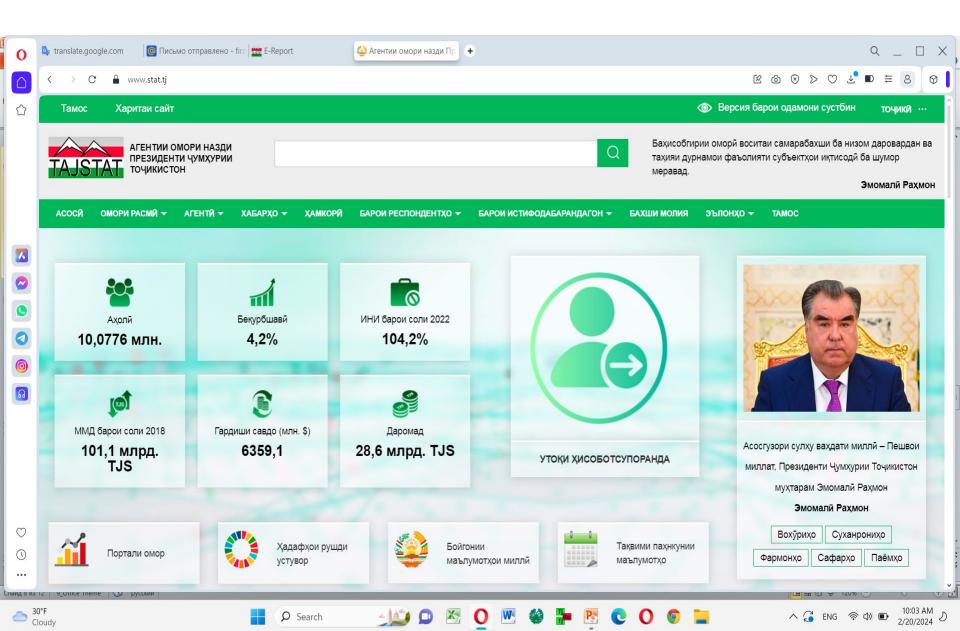
Objectives for statistics authorities on the implementation of Roadmap

Enhancing coordination of strategic system for child's statistics jointly with responsible agencies and international organizations

Introducing best practices in gathering and disseminating statistical information on children

Further harmonization with international standards and methodologies

## Agency's new website









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