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# NSDS Roadmap: Tasks and Stages



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# Roadmap Contents

## Outline of the NSDS roadmap (7 parts):

1. Basis, context and justification
  - Status of the NSS
  - National statistical system
  - Linkages with development partners
2. Objectives and expected results
3. Formulation of NSDS in the framework of existing development plans and programmes

# Roadmap Contents

## Outline of the NSDS roadmap (7 parts):

4. Methodology and organisation
  - Roles and responsibilities of various actors and organisational arrangements
5. NSDS Tasks/Stages
6. Budget, resources and sources of finance
7. Monitoring and review mechanisms

# NSDS Stages

- Stage 1:** preparatory activities (3 months)
- Stage 2:** assessment of the National Statistical System vis-à-vis national development plan (6 months)
- Stage 3:** craft vision and strategies (6 months)
  - to include mission, values, strategic objectives
- Stage 4:** formulate action plans (6 months)
  - to include specific action programmes
- Stage 5:** implementation of the NSDS

# NSDS Stage 1

## Stage 1: preparatory activities (3 months)

1. Finalise the road map.
2. Develop the strategy and mobilise financial resources.
3. Establish Steering Committee (SC) and convene meetings.
4. Establish organisational arrangements:
  - ✓ for sector working committees (SWCs)
  - ✓ technical working committee (TWC)
5. Finalise terms of reference of national and international consultants; and recruit them.

# NSDS Stage 1

## Stage 1: preparatory activities (3 months)

6. Acquire equipment and other materials.
7. Organise NSS-wide training on strategic planning tools to aid members of the SWCs and TWC.
8. Organise a national workshop to launch the NSDS formulation process.

# NSDS Stage 2

## **Stage 2: assessment of the National Statistical System vis-à-vis national development plan (6 months)**

1. Establish current state of affairs; assess each sector
  - ✓ reference existing studies, additional enquiries, dialogue with stakeholders
  - ✓ task of national consultants
2. SWCs examination and adoption of the national consultants' sector assessments.
3. Synthesis of sector assessments and NSS assessment.
  - ✓ task to be carried out by TWC, assisted by the international consultant

# NSDS Stage 2

## **Stage 2: assessment of the National Statistical System vis-à-vis national development plan (6 months)**

4. Convene Steering Committee meeting to validate NSS assessment.
5. Submit assessment to the Council of Ministers (or equivalent) for validation and decision.
6. Organise a national workshop to solicit feedback on the assessment; prepare for Stage 3.



# NSDS Stage 3

## Stage 3: craft vision and strategies (6 months)

1. Define mission and vision of the NSS development.
  - ✓ task of the TWC, assisted by the international consultant
2. Identify the expected final results by each SWCs.
3. Set priorities and decide on strategies to meet the development vision and obtain expected results.
4. Integrate SWCs work; draft the vision and strategies report.
  - ✓ task of the TWC, assisted by the international consultant

# NSDS Stage 3

## Stage 3: craft vision and strategies (6 months)

5. Convene SC meeting to review the vision and strategies report.
6. Submit report to the Council of Ministers (or equivalent) for adoption and decision.
7. Organise a national workshop to obtain feedback on the vision and strategies report; prepare for Stage 4.

# NSDS Stage 4

## Stage 4: formulate action plans (6 months)

1. Establish proposed sector action plans.
  - ✓ task of national consultants
  - ✓ action plans pertaining to human resources, statistical operations, and the cost of the latter
2. SWCs to review and adopt national consultants' proposed sector action plans.
3. Prepare action plans report (synthesis of proposed sector action plans).
  - ✓ task of the TWC, assisted by the international consultant

# NSDS Stage 4

## Stage 4: formulate action plans (6 months)

4. Convene SC meeting to review action plans report.
5. Submit report to the Council of Ministers (or equivalent) for adoption and decision.
6. Organise a national workshop to obtain feedback on the action plans; prepare for Stage 5.
7. Prepare summary NSDS document.
  - ✓ task by the TWC

# NSDS Stage 5

## Stage 5: implementation of the NSDS

1. Publish and circulate the NSDS summary.
2. Establish monitoring and assessment arrangements for NSDS implementation.
3. Mobilise resources needed for NSDS implementation:
  - ✓ from national resources
  - ✓ contributions from development partners

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