Preliminary national diagnostic for environment statistics

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National vision

a smart, wise, fair and happy society by 2050 (Papua New Guinea Vision 2050)

Environmental concerns

- Overexploitation of natural resources
- Unsustainable logging
- Destruction of river systems from mine tailings
- Solid Waste (Disposal)

Policy priorities and tools

- Education: a climate change literate society
- Health: a climate resilient society from diseases and natural disaster emergencies
- HIV and AIDS: a conducive and safe environment for climate resilient victims
- Agriculture: a sustainable and resilient society through food security and sustainable land use for agriculture
- Fisheries: climate resilience through the protection of marine and fishing zones
- Forestry: a climate compatible society through forest conservation and sustainable timber harvesting options
- Disaster management: a climate resilient society through disaster risk management and planning
- Environment: a sustainable society through the protection and preservation of the natural environment

Tools: Regulations, Plans

- PNG Vision 2050
- PNG Development Strategic Plan (2010 2013)
- National Strategy for Responsible Sustainable Development (StaRS)
- Papua New Guinea Statistical Development Strategy (PNGSDS)
- National Forestry Policy
- National Agriculture Policy
- Environment Policy

Stakeholders and institutions

Stakeholders; Users & Collectors in environment data:

- Dept of Lands & Physical Planning
- National Research Institute (NRI)
- University of PNG (UPNG)
- National Forest Authority
- PNG Water Board
- Dept of Environment & Conservation
- Office of Climate Change & Development
- Dept of Health
- Dept of Education
- NSO

Role of the National Statistical office in environment statistics:

Assist & conduct data collection but more work on coordination & reporting statistical data

Data sources

- Information Portal
- Statistical Census & Survey (propose)
- Administrative records from NGOs, Companies (mining & other extractive activities) & government agencies such as Dept of Environment & Conservation, Dept of Mining & Petroleum, NRI (other research agencies) & UPNG (propose)

Existing compilations

- PNG NSO has no existing compilation on Official Environmental Statistics.
- NSO is planning to have compilation for this statistics-type
- Other Agencies are compiling (& reporting), Water, Land, Waste but has to be reviewed, collated & approved by the NSO as official environment statistics for consumption
- Little concrete work on SEEA in PNG

Priority environment data needs

- Land & Forest
- Ecosystem

Constraints

- Capacity to produce environmental data
- Leadership (& support)
- Strong Coordination
- Funding

Opportunities: Priority Actions

- 1. Land Account
- 2. Water Account
- 3. Energy
- 4. Waste Account (Solid)

Questions?

- 1. Any TA for PNG for capacity building?
- 2. Any donor funding for Climate Change & related Environmental statistics work in PNG?
- 3. Any plan to visit PNG?

THANK YOU