

#### THE NINTH MANAGEMENT SEMINAR FOR HEADS OF NSOS IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC



'Looking Beyond "Now" And Equipping NSOs With The Professional Capability Required For The Future' – MALAYSIA'S EXPERIENCE

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AREAS OF CONCERN THAT ARE NEEDED FOR SHAPING UP FUTURE STATISTICIANS

A.Data Collection
B.Data Estimation
C.Data Dissemination / Communication
D.Data Analysis
E.Professional Capabilities



## A. Data Collection

### i. Right-sizing of resources

- More dependent on administrative records through data tapping from respective agencies without compromising the needs of users.
- It is foreseen to be able to reduce cost in hiring more staff and conducting new surveys, and improve timeliness.

#### ii. ICT-Assisted Survey/ Census

- Minimize the use of conventional way of collecting data; Increase in usage of Assisted Technology.
- More surveys/ censuses will utilise web-based approach and personal digital assistant/ mobile phone facilities





## B. Data Estimation

- Collaborations between statisticians and universities on empirical study.
- Mapping actual problems into formal statistical models.
  - For example, requests for statistical estimates for the new emerging industries and specific areas.
- New/ additional surveys adopt probabilistic sampling approach



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## C. Data Dissemination vs. Communicati

Data Communication

Sharing of information between statisticians and users in a way to maximise understanding:

- Migration from data dissemination to data communication
- More interactive and able to provide integrated visualisation





## D. Data Analysis

An explanation about the data in terms of their `ups' and `downs' is no longer sufficient.

- It is imperative that the data are to be analysed in a wider and comprehensive manner, by associating them with other factors that:
  - contribute to the data; and
  - affect from the data.



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# E. Professional Capabilities

#### Hard-skills

- The knowledge and skills of the subject matters relating to data collection, data estimation, data analysis and data communication
- The know how in ICT that adds the value

# E. Professional Capabilities

#### Soft-skills

The abilities required that have become as equally important as hard-skills, that will provide rooms for the statisticians to advance in their career. A high – skilled statistician would become the mentor/role model to his peers.

- Among the area of focus:
- Leadership Skills
- Communication & Negotiation Skills
- Problem solving through creative & innovative measures
- o The ability to generalize and perceive the future.





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