MULTIPLE INDICATORS CLUSTER SURVEY

1ST TECHNICAL COMMITTEE 16TH OCTOBER, 2017

The 1st meeting of the Technical Committee for Sindh Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey was held on Monday, October 16th, 2017 at 3:00 a.m. in the Committee Room of Sindh Bureau of Statistics. The Director General, Bureau of Statistics, Planning & Development Department, Government of Sindh chaired the meeting. Representatives of Finance Department, Planning & Development Department and UNICEF participated in the meeting.

The list of participants is annexed.

The Agenda of the meeting was as follows:

- 1. Introduction to Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey
- 2. MICS6 Progress review
- 3. Sindh MICS6 Indicators List
- 4. Sindh MICS6 Questionnaires
- 5. Way Forward

Proceedings:

Mr. Nasimul Ghani Sahito, Director General (Bureau of Statistics) welcomed all the participants and thanked for their interest and participation. The meeting started with recitation of the Holy Quran, thereafter Chairman invited Mr. Muhammad Kazim Jafri, Deputy Director (MICS) for presentation and following are the outlines of their presentation:

- Introduction to MICS and background
- Objectives of the Sindh MICS
- MICS Governance Structure
- Survey Methodology
- MICS 2017-18 Progress Review
- List of Indicators
- MICS Questionnaires
- Feedback on Indicators List and Questionnaires
- MICS 2017-18 timelines

Discussion:

During the presentation Mr. Jafri discussed the progress of MICS6 and he informed to the Technical Committee, MICS Team has reviewed and customized the standard Indicators List of Indicators, Questionnaires and Survey Plan in the context of Sindh and PC-II and budget of MICS6 have also been drafted. According to customization 195 indicators have been proposed for Sindh MICS and following questionnaires will be used in the field.

- Household Questionnaire
- Questionnaire for Women 15-49 years of age
- Questionnaire from Children <5 years of age
- Questionnaire for Children 5-17 year of age
- Questionnaire for Men 15-49 year of age
- Water Quality Testing

As per draft survey plan district wise data collection teams will be formulated with following composition:

1.	Supervisor	01
2.	Enumerator (Female)	03
3.	Enumerator (Male)	01
4.	Measurer	01

Twenty Four days comprehensive enumerators' trainings will be conducted in Sukkur, Hyderabad and Karachi for 200 trainees.

The worthy Director General (BOS) highlighted the need and importance of data harmonization in the light of SDG's targets and indicators and informed the forum that Sindh MICS is an integral part of National Coordination MICS, 2017-18.

Mr. Faateh-ud-din, PMER, UNICEF informed the participants that the module of *Salt Iodization* does not provide information regarding iodize deficiency and requirements however it calculates prevalence of consumption of iodized salt and non-iodized salt in response of query raised by worth Director General (BOS).

Ms. Hafsa Shaikh, Representative from Planning & Development Department, raised the question about module of questionnaires which covers the Antenatal Care. Mr.

Jafri replied, module of Maternal Health and New Born calculates ANC Coverage from one visit to four visits.

Director General (BOS) identified that name of modules *Unmet Need* and *Contraception* are vague; "Family Planning" should be added in brackets.

Mr. Muhammad Asim, PMER Specialist highlighted that as per MICS6 methodology module of *Adult Functioning* should be omitted from questionnaires of Man & Woman and should be added in Household Questionnaire.

During the presentation Mr. Jafri informed that standard MICS6 questionnaires were sent to 34 different stakeholders for their feedback and following departments provided their inputs.

- 1. Foreign Aid Section, P&D Department
- 2. Education Section, P&D Department
- 3. EPR Section, P&D Department
- 4. HIV/AIDS Control Program, Health Department
- 5. RSU, School Education & Literacy Department
- 6. Information Science & Technology Department

All the suggestions received from Planning & Development Department are adopted. As per MICS technical forum the feedback received from HIV/AIDS Control Program and Information Science & Technology Department may be included partially while feedback received from RSU, School Education & Literacy Department to include one question on "Access to Education: Distance from home to school" may be incorporated in questionnaire.

After detail discussions the following decisions were made:

- Proposed Survey Plan, List of Indicators, Questionnaires and Budget will be presented in Steering Committee Meeting (18th October, 2017) for approval.
- UNICEF will conduct the joint meeting sessions to finalize the survey standard documents along with survey budget.
- Process of hiring of MICS consultant will be initiated by UNICEF in November, 2017

Meeting ended with vote of thanks by the Chairman.

Annexure - A

List of Participants

- 1. Dr. Nasim Ul Ghani Sahito; Director General, Bureau of Statistics, P &D Department, Government of Sindh.
- 2. Mr. Ali Ahmed Channa, Director, Bureau of Statistics, P &D Department, Government of Sindh.
- 3. Mr. Muhammad Saleem Jalbani, Chief EPR, Planning & Development Department, Government of Sindh.
- 4. Mr. Moeen Alam, Deputy Director, Bureau of Statistics, P&D Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
- Mr. Muhammad Akram Bhatti , Deputy Director, Bureau of Statistics, P&D Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
- 6. Mr. Muhammad Kazim Jafri, Deputy Director, Bureau of Statistics, P&D Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
- 7. Mr. Faateh-ud-din, PMER, UNICEF, Islamabad.
- 8. Mr. Muhammad Asim Khan, PME Specialist, UNICEF, Sindh.
- 9. Mr. Naseem Abbas, Section Officer (Dev.), Finance Department, Govt. of Sindh.
- 10. Mr. Izat Ali Chachar, Statistical Officer, Bureau of Statistics, P&D Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
- 11. Ms. Sidra-tul- Muntaha, Statistical Officer, Bureau of Statistics, P&D Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
- 12. Mr. Muneer Hussain Qureshi, Programmer, Bureau of Statistics, P&D Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
- 13. Ms. Hafsa Sheikh, Planning Officer, P &D Department, Government of Sindh.
- 14. Ms. Rukhsana Aziz, Statistical Officer, Bureau of Statistics, P&D Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
- 15. Ms. Qamur-un-Nisa, Superintendent, Bureau of Statistics, P&D Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.