

Stakeholder Engagement Seminar Outcomes of the 2nd Voluntary National Review and Pre-Consultation for the 13th High- Level Round Table Meeting

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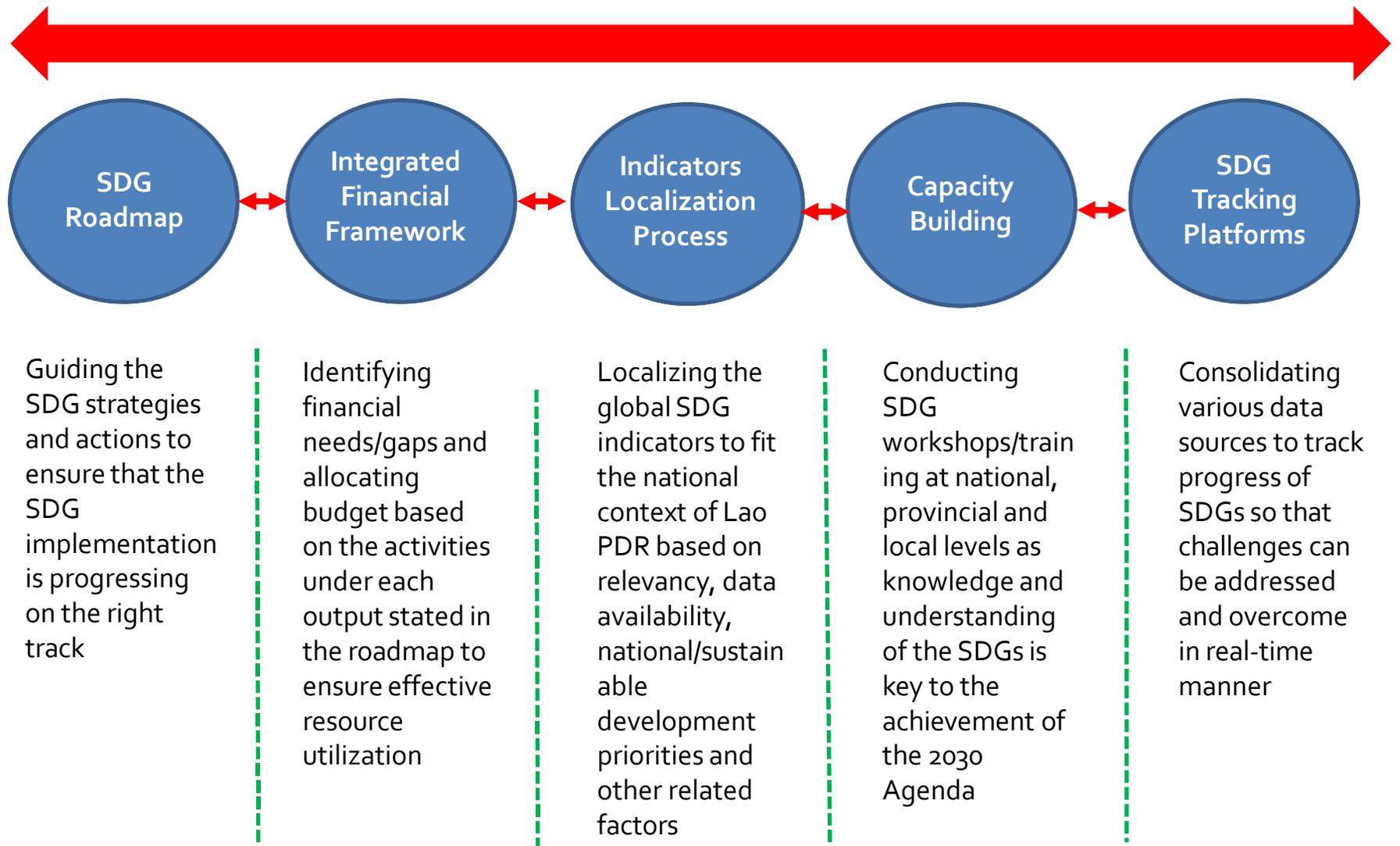


Presentation outlines

- Role of LSB in monitoring (Planning, NSEDP, and SDG including VNR)
- Statistical outcome from 2nd VNR and lesson learned
- The way forward and Plan for 3rd VNR



SDG planning and implementation process



Role of Lao Statistic Bureau in the VNR review process

- As part of the SDG National Secretariat, LSB has been working with national, sectoral and local administrations to ensure systematic implementation and monitoring of the SDGs.
- LSB, Provided data for mid-term review and conclusion of the 8th NSEDP and the development of the 9th NSEDP M&E framework with data disaggregated and strong focus on SDG indicators.
- The data stock-taking for the 2nd VNR 2021, identified statistical data gaps . Provide data analysis – info graphic fact sheet.
- Work on harmonize database - SDG open data platform with the support from UNSD – FCDO
- LSB actively involved and participated in series consultations and meetings, workshops and seminars at all levels across the multi stakeholders and capacity development activities
- LSB actively Jointed and participated in the Advocacy and awareness programmes on the 2030 Agenda and SDGs and promoted the use of statistics.



3 VNRs to be produced



Role of LSB in the national SDG monitoring and reporting system



Institutional arrangement and SDG localization

Presidential Decree to form the National SDGs Steering Committee on 20 Sep 2017



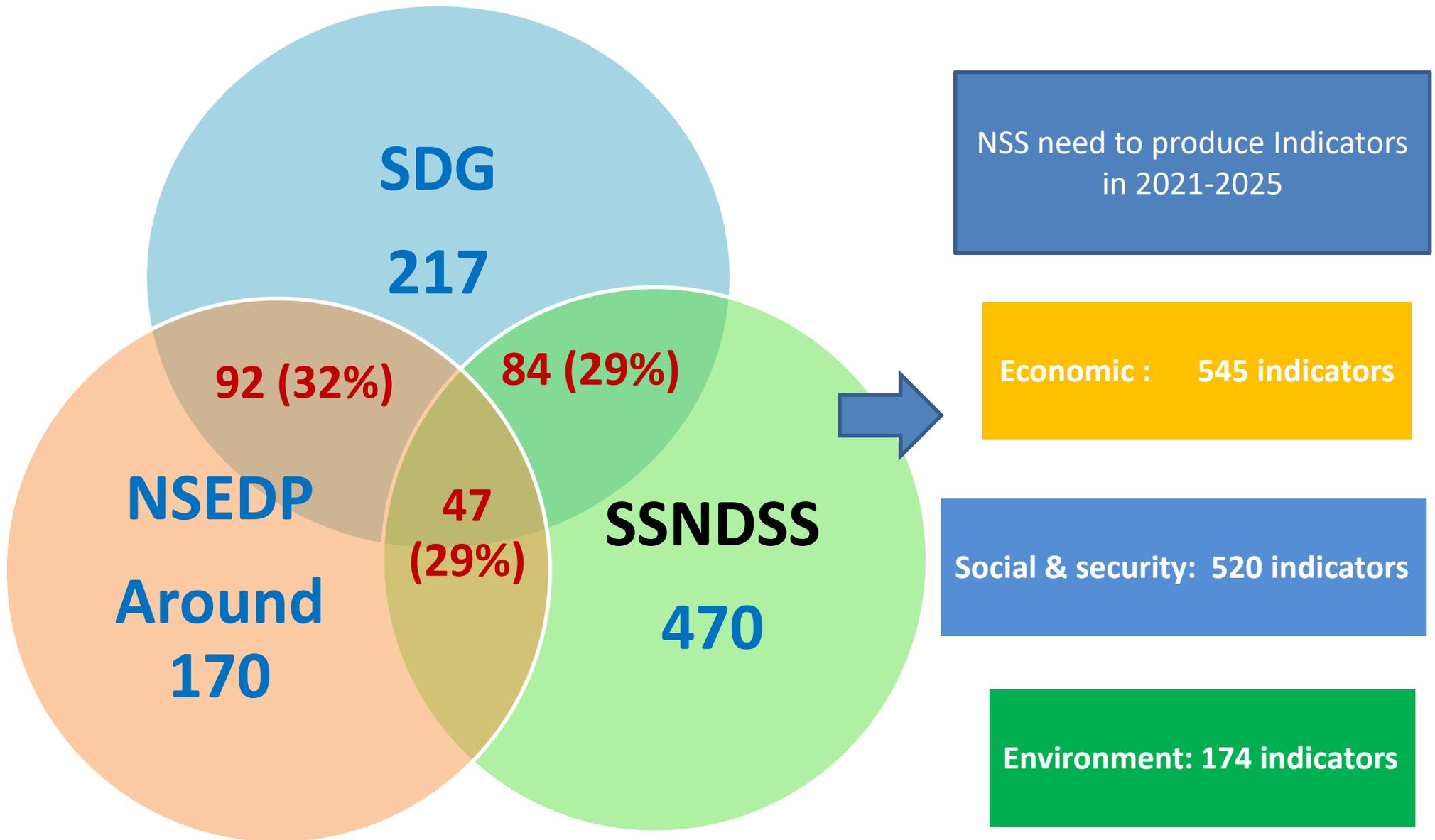
LOCALIZATION OF SDGs

Nearly **60%** of the 8th NSEDP indicators are linked to SDG indicators.

remaining have been integrated on going 9th five years NSEDP, (2021-2025) and in the next future 10th NSEDP,(2026-2030).



SSDNSS, NSEDP & SDGi linked



1 NO POVERTY

2 ZERO HUNGER

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

4 QUALITY EDUCATION

5 GENDER EQUALITY

6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY

8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

13 CLIMATE ACTION

14 LIFE BELOW WATER

15 LIFE ON LAND

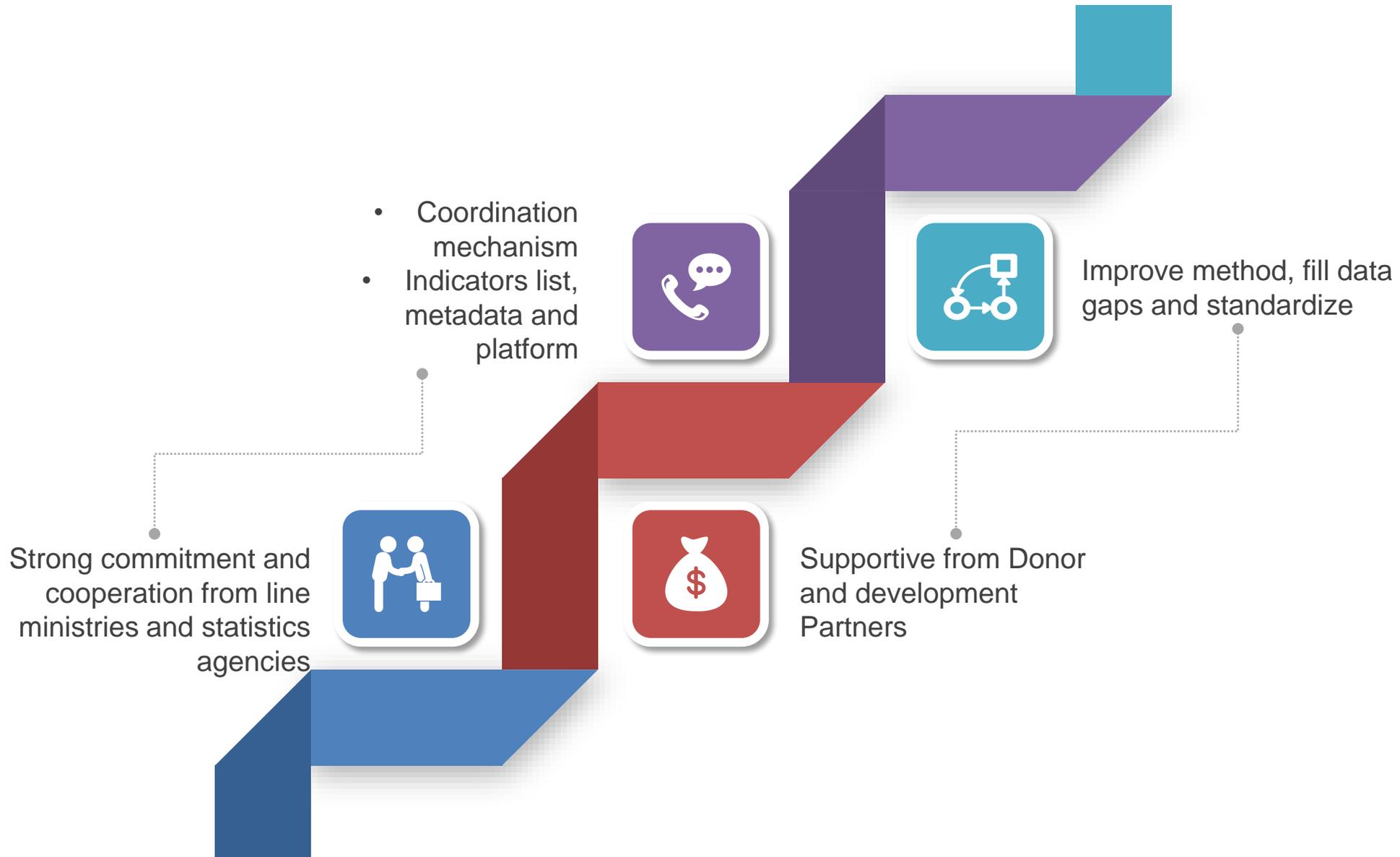
16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

Statistical outcome from 2nd VNR and lesson learned



Statistical outcome from 2nd VNR



National Open SDG platform

Goals Reporting Status About Guidance

Laos Open SDG Data Platform

18 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for Lao PDR

The [Sustainable Development Goals \(SDGs\)](#) are a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and improve the lives and prospects of everyone, everywhere. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and improve the lives and prospects of everyone, everywhere. UN Member States have adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including 17 global goals. In addition to this, the Government Lao PDR has agreed on a national SDG for reducing the impact of unexploded bombs (UXO) on the development of the country. This SDG 18 was launched in the presence of UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon during his visits to Laos in September 2016.

Our data for Sustainable Development Goal indicators

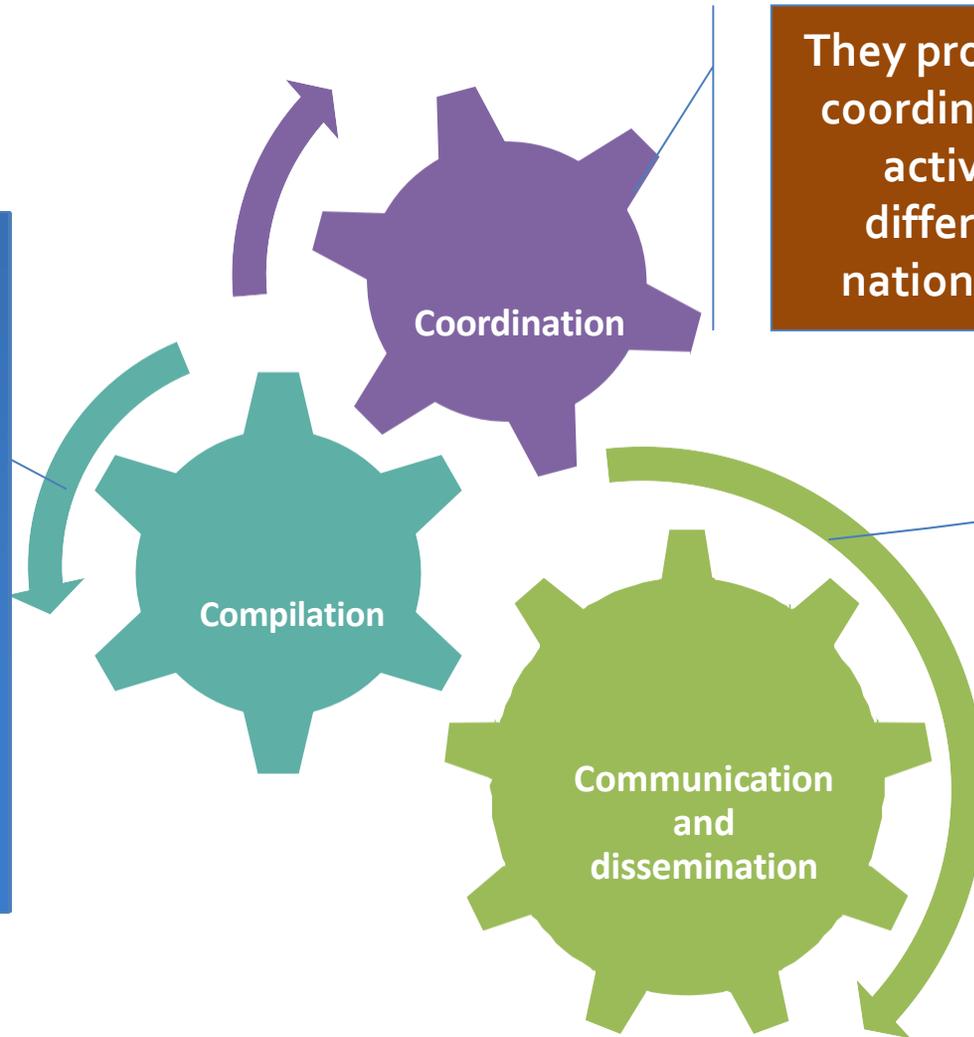
Please click a goal to see the indicators.

Lao Open SDG Platform

- Lao Open SGD Platform was launched in 30 June 2021;
- Consists of **9 specific goals** of the VNR2 report;
- **150 indictors** with updated data up to 2020 were uploaded into the platform;
- **22 Metadata** s are available in both Lao and English -in line with international standard;
- **60%** of indicators were planed to upload by the end of year 2021

Why are national SDG data & metadata platforms important

They bring together data and metadata from across the entire national statistical system (and beyond), to produce statistical outputs and analyses that are fit for purpose and abide by the highest quality standards;



They provide an instrument for coordination of the statistical activities carried out by different members of the national statistical system.

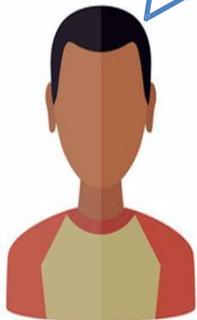
They help make SDG data available as widely as possible to support evidence-based policy making and inform public debate



User needs

National platforms provide opportunity to meet wide range of needs from diverse groups of users

I want to easily find out what the Goals are and how we're doing



Engaged citizen

I want to quickly access clear visualizations I can share



Policy influencers

I need the latest data on indicator 8.5.2 for my report



Government and NGOs

I want to be able to download the data in an accessible format



Expert data users



Results (WWW.LSB.gov.la.SDG)

Poverty monitoring



Indicator 1.2.1

Proportion of population living below the national poverty line, by sex and age

Series

Proportion of population living below the national poverty line [1.2.1]

Unit of Measurement

Percent

Sub-categories

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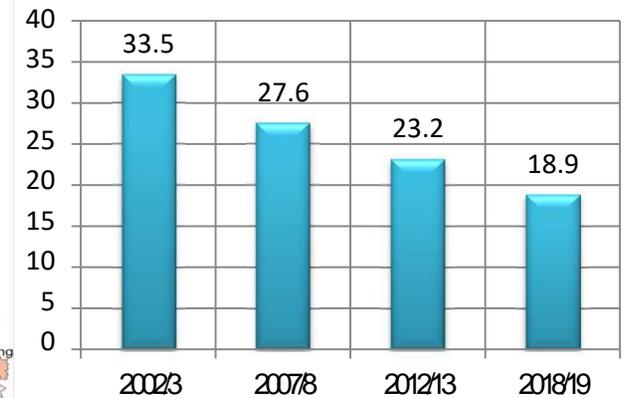
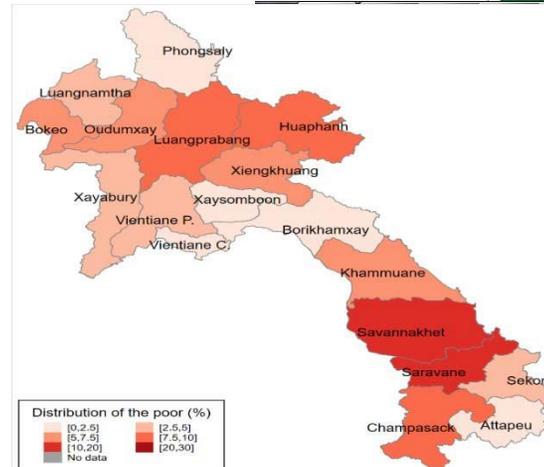
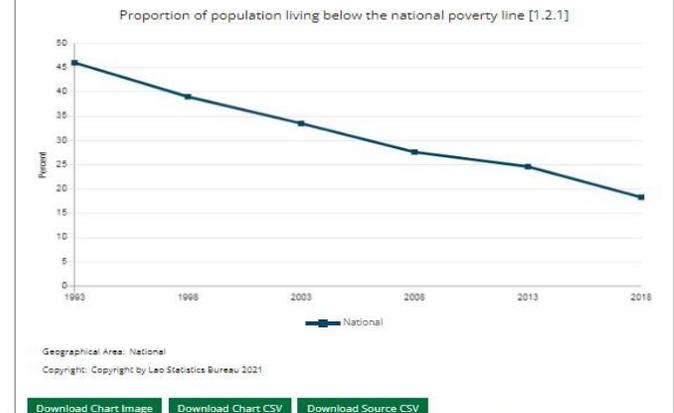
Clear selections ✕

Sex:

Age:

Degree of urbanisation:

Chart Table

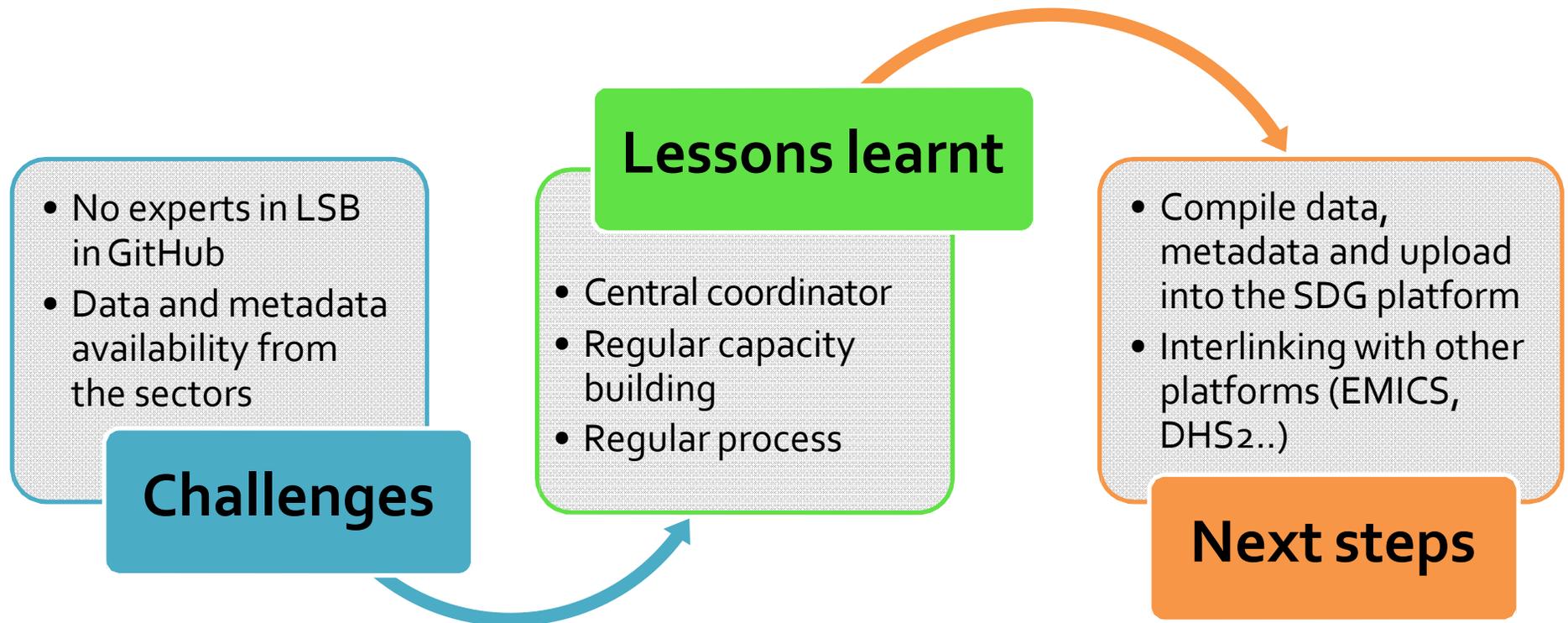


UNSD-FCDO project support on national platforms

- **Supporting countries in:**
 - Data modelling - developing a national SDG dataset and converting indicators to SDMX
 - Establish data exchange with the Global SDG Platform
 - Establish a national platform: initially front-end, subsequently back-end
 - Compiling and publishing national metadata alongside data
- **Working with national IT, indicator, data experts in NSOs and line ministries**
- **Work closely with international partners (platform owners) on the implementation**



Some challenges, lessons learnt and next steps for Open SDG data platform



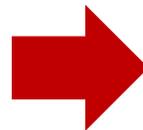
The way forward and Plan for 3rd VNR



Key actions for SDG implementation and monitoring

Key follow up actions

- Agenda 2030, NSEDP and LDC graduation integration in M&E framework
- Horizontal and vertical integration
- **Data and Statistics**
- Integrated Financing
- Partnerships with Private Sector
- Partnerships with civil society and citizens
- Advocacy and awareness-raising



Data-statistics actions

- High quality, disaggregated data is essential to ensure equitable progress against goals and targets.
- Determining appropriate targets for all SDG indicators,
- Identification of and response to the most urgent data gaps,
- Harmonize and Standardization of national indicators and data collection
- Continue working on the SDG open platform and create a better link with the national database "Laoinfo", and
- A focused and costed plan for monitoring the SDGs. (included the statistical program)



Key actions on SDGs and Statistics after VNR 2

The Government of Lao PDR acknowledges that data will only drive policy and decision-making if it is timely. With this view, LSB is committed to create a strong statistical system to collect and provide the necessary information for formulation of policies, strategies and plans, and monitor and assess progress toward outcomes and impacts.

After this VNR, our key actions on data and statistics contributing to the national priorities within the VNR process would include:

1. **Mapping out the next steps to the next Voluntary National Review (VNR III-2024, VNR IV-2027 and Final VNR-2030)** - high quality, disaggregated data is essential to ensure equitable progress against goals and targets,
2. **Determining appropriate targets for all SDG indicators** - Working with line ministries and relevant stakeholders, in particular, SDGr and SDGi owners to determine appropriate targets for all SDG indicators,
3. **Improve Accessibility**, the SDG open platform and create a better link with the current national database “LaoInfo” and other relevant systems



Key actions on SDGs and Statistics after VNR 2 (Cont')

- 4. Enhance line ministries (Statistics Producers) on standardized national indicators and data collection** to ensure proper assessment of results and outcomes (**Produce/update metadata and list indicators**). **Ensuring the continuity of the work on metadata and user engagement for statistics**, in addition to the plans for on-going work on the data platform. The need for metadata and user engagement will remain relevant as the national statistical system continues to try and fill data gaps and make use of different data sources, including expanding its reliance on administrative data for the SDGs;
- 5. Extend cooperation** with development partner and international organization to support SDG monitoring and reporting - while surveys and censuses provide important data for majority of SDG indicators, administrative data will be needed for some of them and the process of collecting administrative data will need to strengthened.



Data production plan to support the preparation of VNR₃



Survey: Annual household survey 2022 , Lao Social Indicators Survey 2022, Lao Labor Force Survey 2022, Quarterly Enterprise Survey 2022, Study on LCA III 2019/2020 and EC III 2020;..
And Improve from Administrative Data with Line ministries

Keys Development Partners



1. UNFPA
2. Unicef
3. ILO
4. World Bank
5. UNDP
6. Hungary
7. JICA
8. USAID
9. WHO
10. WFP



1. World Bank (Phase2)
2. Luxembourg



1. World Bank
2. ADB
3. FAO
4. Capacity building (IMF, ESCAP, ASEAN..)



1. Luxembourg
2. ESCAP
3. (WB) LLL project



1. World Bank (Phase2)
2. Hungary
3. KOSTAT (End2021)

In Overall, even though we have received strongly support from different donors but compare to our users demand and data gap, we still remain insignificant support in many areas in order to support evident base to policy makers. We will continue seeking/opening wider support from development partners. (ICT, Dissemination, Environment statistics,. Not only LSB but In NSS)





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Thank you

