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**Taking stock: Update on
Progress**





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The Outcome of the 2nd Voluntary National Review and ways forward for implementing the SDG

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Recap on the SDG implementation 2015 - 2020



the SDG implementation from 2015 to 2020

2015



Adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development



2016

Adopted the National SDG Goal, identified policy and planning and the National SDG Implementation Mechanism

2017

Established the National Steering Committee, National SDG Secretariat, and SDG Focal Points of line Ministries and Equivalent

2018



Presented the First National Voluntary Review (VNR)

2019



National SDG Roadmap and SDG Communication Workplan; Adopted the National SDG indicators, National SDG Logo, SDG Slogan and appoint the National SDG Advocate

2020



Triennial Review Meeting of the National Steering Committee for the Implementation of SDG in the Lao PDR, Officially launched the SDG Mobile Application and Kick-off the initial stage for VNR II

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**SDG Implementation in 2021 -
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Review of the Lao PDR**

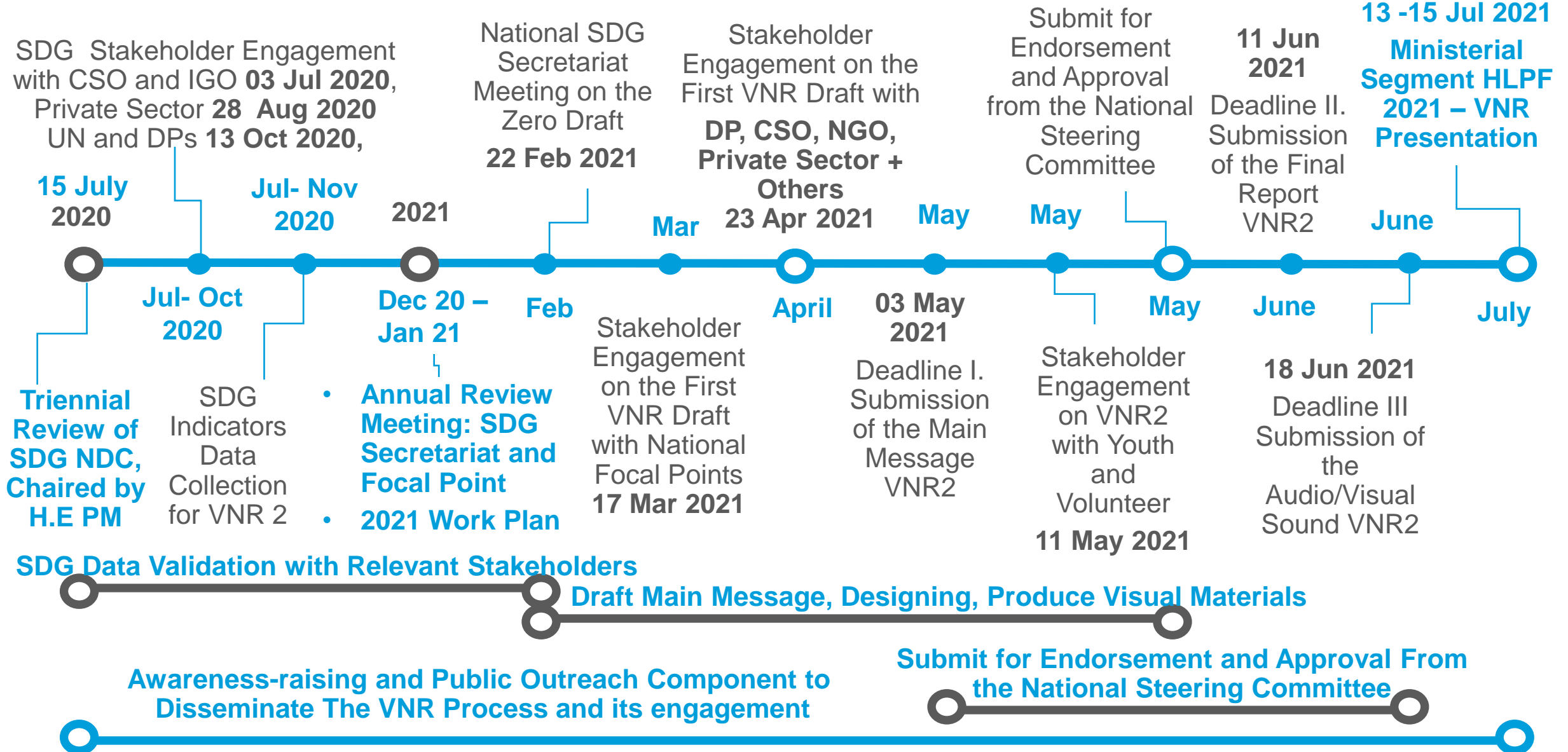
The 2nd Voluntary National Review

On the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goals



- On 15 July 2021, led by H.E Mr. Saleumxay KOMMASITH, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Standing and Vice-Chair of NSC presented the VNR II at the High-Level Political Forum for Sustainable Development

SDG Implementation in 2021

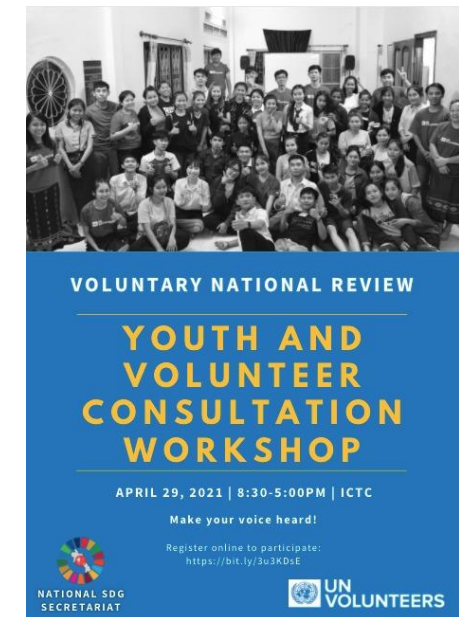
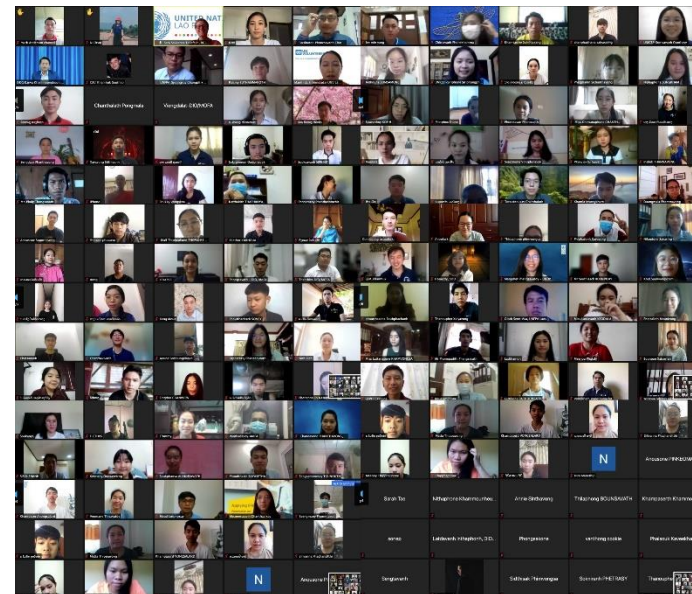


Multi-stakeholders' contributions

To ensure that the VNR II review process is comprehensive, participatory and transparent, National SDG Secretariat conducted serious of consultations with different stakeholders since mid of 2020, some consultation meetings with key partners including:

- Consultation meeting with SDG national focal points from line ministries
- Consultation meeting with government officials at the provincial and relevant local authorities
- Consultation meeting with private sector and entrepreneurs
- Consultation meeting with CSOs
- Consultation meeting with youth and volunteers
- Consultation meeting with UN network and DPs

Suggestion and comments from different key stakeholders are emphasized on pages 14-21 of the 2nd VNR



The 1st VNR (2018)

- Localization Process
- Descriptive Report
- No Formal Agreement on Indicator

The 2nd VNR (2021)

- Trend Analysis
- In-depth Analysis of Selected Nine Priorities Goals



- Formal Agreement on SDG Indicators and Integration
- National Strategy Priorities for SDG Achievements

VNR was developed based on the Principle of **“Leaving No One Behind”** Through Stake Holder Engagement and Consultation



National SDG
Focal Points



Local Government
Provincial and Local



UN Agencies and
Development Partners



Civic Society Organizations and
Non- Government Organization

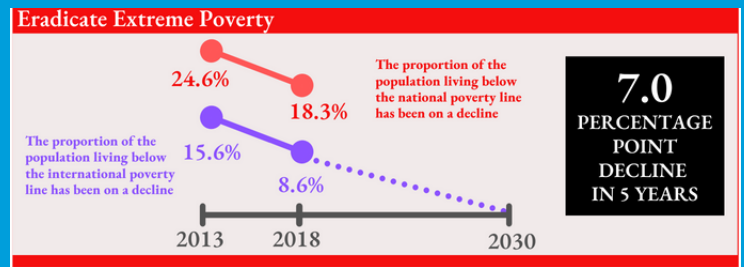


Private
Sectors

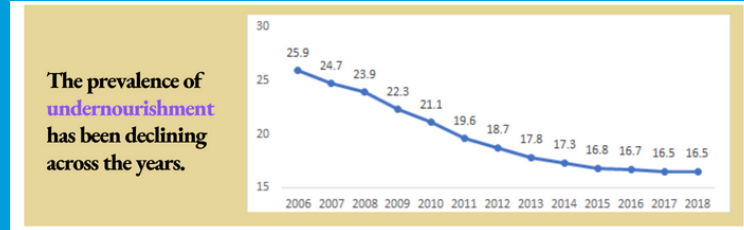


Youths and
Volunteers

1 NO POVERTY



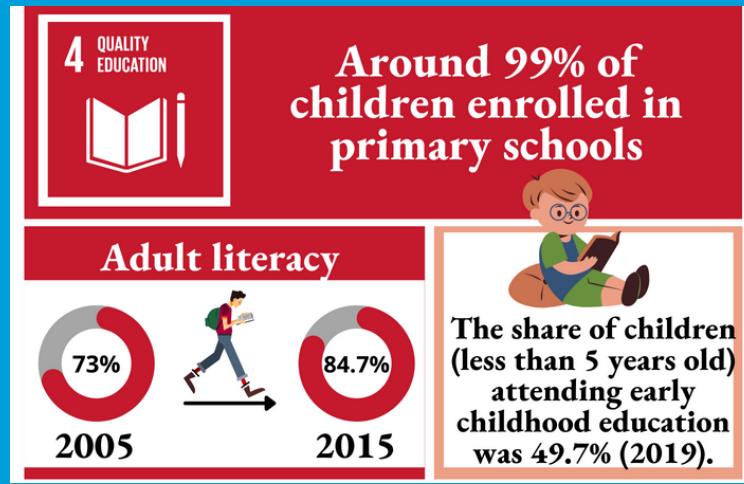
2 ZERO HUNGER



3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



4 QUALITY EDUCATION



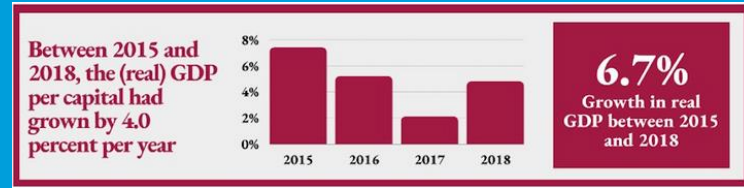
5 GENDER EQUALITY

Three Laws have been enacted to promote gender equality and non-discrimination against women and girls.

- Law on the Development and Protection of Women
- Law on the Preventing and Combating Violence Against Women and Children
- Law on Women Union

Mechanisms are operational in 'enforcing and monitoring' the implementation of legal frameworks for each area of the law.

8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



13 CLIMATE ACTION

The Disaster Recovery Framework (DRF) in line with Disaster Prevention and Control Law as well as Climate Change Decree

On September 7, 2016, Lao PDR ratified the Paris Agreement

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

Eight Principles of Effective Development Cooperation (Vientiane Declaration 2016 - 2025)

- Ownership
- Alignment
- Harmonization and Simplification.
- Inclusive Partnerships for Development Results.
- Transparency, Predictability and Mutual Accountability.
- Domestic Resource Mobilization.
- South-South Cooperation, Triangular Cooperation, and Knowledge Sharing.
- Business as a Partner in Development

18 LIVES SAFE FROM UXO

An estimated of 20,000 UXO accident survivors remain need assistances

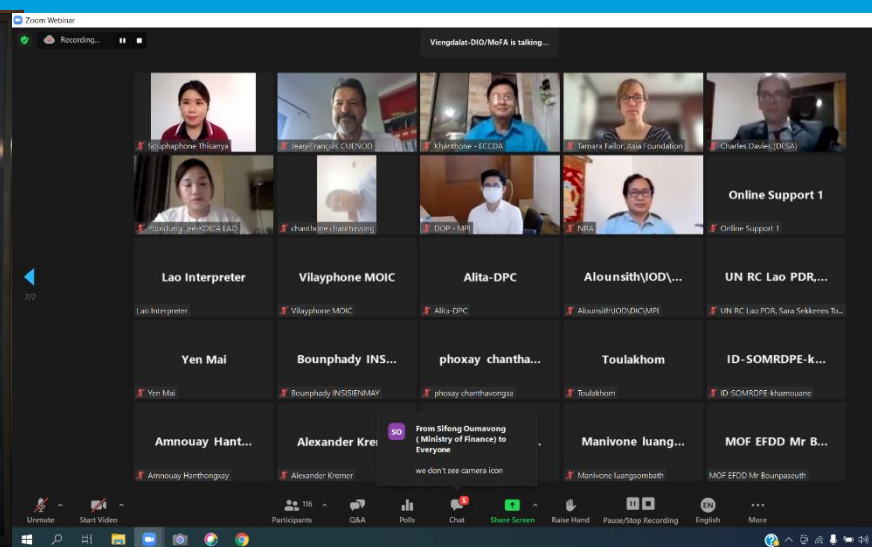
The initial estimate of land contaminated by cluster munition is more than 2,873 villages

99% of high priority hazardous areas remaining to be cleared

For recent years (from 2018 to February 2021), 116 UXO survivors received supports



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 20 October 2021, Virtual Meeting





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Addressing Challenges and Way-Forward

Key Challenges

- **Translation of development agenda into actions at all level.** Greater efforts needed to ensure effective implementation and translation of the national development agenda (NSED, SDG, LDC graduation, green growth, etc.) into practical actions at national, sectoral and provincial levels
- **Limited capacity (i.e. Statistics and Data) and Infrastructure**
- **Awareness, accessibility and understanding** remain limited
- **Tight fiscal space, and limited resources & development financing options**
- **COVID-19 impacts and recovery efforts**

Way Forward

1

Strengthening of links between 2030 Agenda, NSEDP, with focus on transition and graduation from LDC

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Enhancing Horizontal and Vertical integration

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Improving and strengthening Data and Statistic works as one of the top priority

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Integrated Financing with the aim to yield effective, efficient and tangible outcomes

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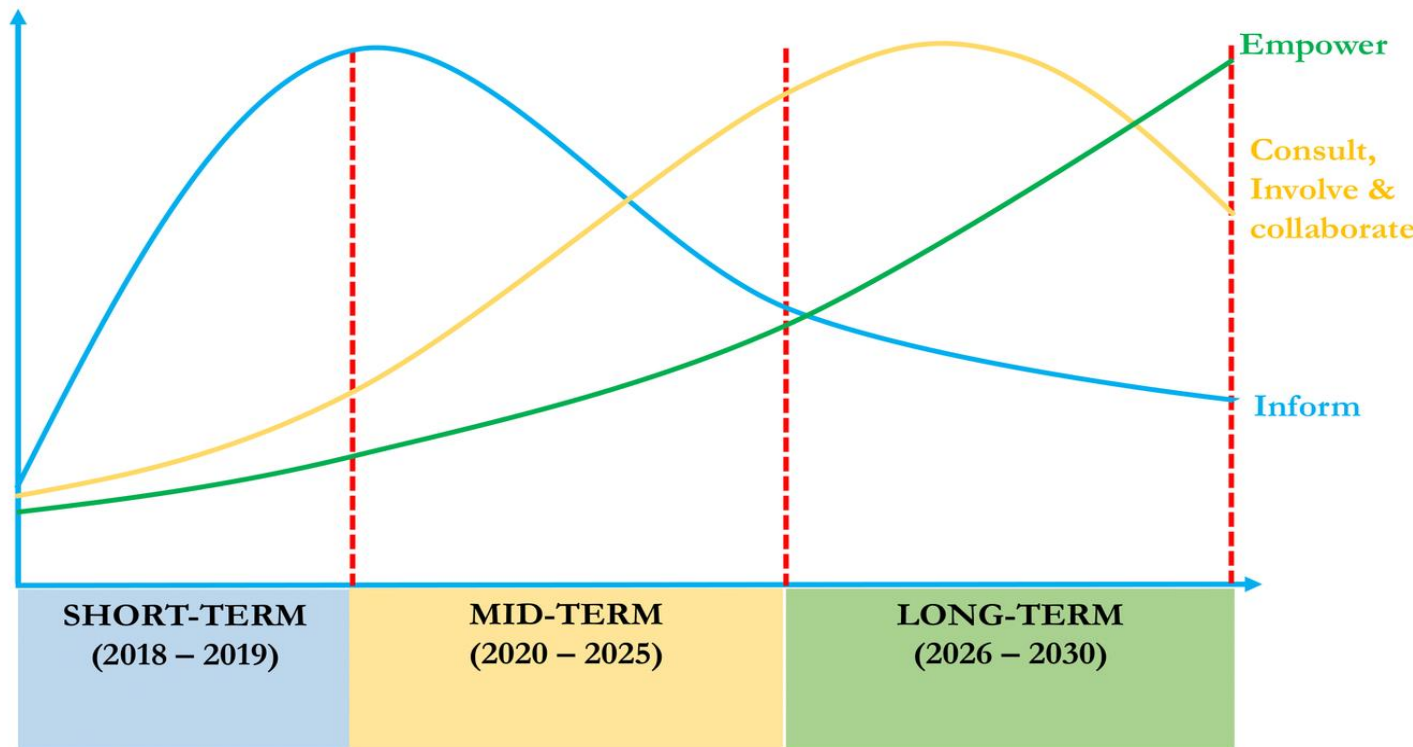
Strengthening Partnership and Cooperation in all levels, specifically private, CSO, NGO, International Organizations, youth, volunteers, academia, and public in general.

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Accelerating the Advocacy and Awareness-raising efforts

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Adapt to the New normal lifestyle



Key Actions on SDG Implementation

1. Capacity building for SDG focal points from line ministries on SDG implementation (SDGi) and SDG reporting (SDGr)
2. Development of the SDG tools – SDG open platform, in particular, statistic, data collection, infrastructure, equipment and monitoring and evaluation for the SDG implementation
3. SDG awareness campaigns – at provincial, grass-root and general public levels
4. Digitalization of the SDG implementation



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