INTRODUCING MODERNIZATION INTO THE STATISCITAL SYSTEM IN THE KURDISTAN REGION

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Objectives

➤ To present the experience of Kurdistan Region Statistics Office (KRSO) into modernization, as well as challenges facing KRSO

Outlines

- Background & Introduction
- Vision
- Obligation
- Roadmap
- Improvement of Implementing the Roadmap
- Problems and Difficulties
- Future Steps
- Conclusion



Background and Introduction

- Provinces: Erbil, Suleymani, Duhok, and Halabja
- Area: 46,861.41 km²
- Population: 5.61 million in 2016, 2.82 million males and 2.79 million females
- Urban area: 81.56%



Background and Introduction

- Life expectancy at birth: 75.1 years in 2016
 - 73.4 years for males
 - 76.2 years for females
- Growth rate: 2.6 in 2016 and expected to be 2.2 in 2020
- Under-five population: 12.67% in 2016
- Unemployment: 13.53% in the second half of 2015, while 7.13% in the second half of 2014



Background and Introduction

- Establishment of KRSO: 2002 ,less than 10 staff in headquarter, now has more than 70
- Offices: headquarter, 6 main offices, 13 suboffices

Vision

To provide trustworthy statistical data for all



Obligation

 To strengthen statistical agent in conducting efficient and effective statistics

 To create competent and professional statistics community, supported by the latest information technology for statistical advancement



Obligation

- To increase the implementation of classification standards, concepts and definitions, and measurements which are universal in every statistics collection
- To increase the quality of statistical information services for all parties
- To increase coordination, integration and synchronization of statistical activities



- Improvement in key statistical areas:
 - Population and labor force
 - Communication and transportation and Trade
 - Environment
 - Agricultural
 - Industrial
 - Price Consumer Index (CPI)
 - Education and health
 - Construction and building
 - GDP
 - Statistical Analysis



- Information and communication technology and infrastructure:
 - IT staff
 - Website
 - New adequate building
- Human resources:
 - CSO
 - UNFPA
 - RAND
 - Etc.



- Implementing the roadmap
 - Providing statistics to policy makers, business, and community
 - Labor force survey
 - Designing a system for collecting policy relevant data for the Kurdistan region
 - Social protection strategic framework
 - Reforming the economy for shared prosperity and protecting the vulnerable
 - Training courses
 - Higher education
 - Website



- Problems and difficulties:
 - Composition of statistical organization
 - Lack of skilled statisticians
 - Human resources
 - Appropriate building



- Further steps:
 - Statistics law
 - Human resources
 - Performance in statistical areas
 - Developing the statistical organization



Conclusion

- The success of KRSO is focusing on key statistical areas; still need to be improved
- KRSO needs both statistical and non statistical employees to strength its management
- High skill ICT staff will improve KRSO



Thank You

