Civil Registration and Vital Statistics System in Afghanistan

Meeting of the Regional Steering Group on CRVS (Bangkok)
Introduction to NSIA

NSIA has four main functions and responsibilities

Statistics
Geographic Information System (GIS)
System Development
National Identity Registration
Afghanistan Statistical System

Afghanistan has a centralized statistical system

**Inputs**
- Survey (IE&LS, DHS, BES, MICS, etc.)
- Administrative Data
- Systems (ASIMS, DHI2, ASYCUDA, SEGTA, AFMIS)
- Collecting through specific forms

**Outputs**
- Online (through three portals)
- Offline (different publication)

• Surveys
  • ALCS
  • Labor force survey
  • DHS
  • ....

• Administrative data
  • HMIS
  • EMIS

• Systems integration and development
  • AFMIS
  • ....
CRVS Background in Afghanistan

- Started from 1977 under the Ministry of Interior Affairs
- In 1978 a section was established under the Central Statistic Organization to analyze and evaluate CRVS data
- In 2019 Civil Registration Authority became a part of NSIA
- NSIA leadership made some changes in the Civil Registration system and we are currently working on Afghanistan CRVS system Development Concept Note
Available Data

- Base on 2016-2017 ALCS survey percentage of children under 5 years old, which their birth registered with official institutions were as follow:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<td>National</td>
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<td>Number of births in the given year registered by the civil registration system within one year of occurrence (including late civil registration)</td>
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<td>Number of deaths in the given year registered by the civil registration system within one year of occurrence (including late civil registration)</td>
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Challenges

- Lack of security in most part of the country
- Lack of capacity
- Unawareness of people
- Lack of coordination between responsible institutions
- Using of different systems & methodologies by internal institutions and providing different figures
Future plans for development of CRVS system in Afghanistan

- Bring changes in law, policies and strategies..(it’s finished )
- Public awareness about the CRVS system and it’s benefits
- Capacity building programs for employees
- Encourage people to register their births, deaths, and marriages
- Development of electronic systems for data collection & system integration
- Simplification of the registration process
Needs

- Technical support
- Capacity building assistance
- Share the successful experience of the countries
Thanks for your attention