STATISTICS DEPARTMENT - STRATEGIC PLAN
2002/03

MISSION STATEMENT: To be the leader in producing statistics that are recognised and respected by Government, local and international institutions, and the general public.

VISION

The Statistics Department long term visions are to:
• develop an integrated and comprehensive statistical information system to serve the needs of economic and social development planning and management in the Kingdom;
• provide statistics, information and advice to encourage informed decisions by Government;
• meet the demands of the private sector and the general public for statistics and information on a timely basis; and
• co-ordinate all statistical services within government to avoid duplication of effort, as well as ensure compliance with accepted concepts and procedures.

OBJECTIVES:
• To increase the output of relevant social and economic statistics that are needed for development planning and management of the country
• To maintain the level of statistics produced, with space for advancement and increase with time by upholding achievements on timely basis
• To increase and maintain the level of professional staff to meet the ever changing needs for an integrated and comprehensive statistical system
• To plan, improve and upgrade the standard of office accommodation and office environment to provide adequate housing and good working environment for all staff in one location
• To develop and increase the production of statistics

Operational Objectives 2002/03
1. To increase the output of economic and social statistics to meet the statistical needs of government.
2. To establish regular dialogue and communication with users so that the statistical information base meet the needs of government, the business sector, non-government organisations and the general public.
3. To further strengthen statistical activities advisory services on statistical surveys including a user pay system with a view to increasing revenue.
4. To continue to enhance and increase the public relations program, to further promote quality products and services produced by the Department.

Performance Measures
1. Timetable
   • Based on the Objectives, a timetable is prepared in compliance with the timeliness of release of statistical reports and statistical media releases.
2. Revenue/Budget
   • Preparation of a 2002/03 Program Budget by mid-March 2002;
   • Increase the Department revenue through sales of statistical products and services; and
   • Ensure and enhance quality of statistical products produced to empower the increase in sales.
3. **Survey Activities**
- The established Statistical Surveys Division of the Department, is to coordinate and conduct all statistical surveys and finalise results of the Household Income and Expenditure Survey 2000/01 by end of September 2002;
- The Surveys Division would be responsible for production of the Household Income and Expenditure Survey 2000/01 Report;
- The Surveys Division will be responsible for the Re-base of Consumer Price Index from the results of the Household Income and Expenditure Survey 2000/01;
- The Surveys Division in collaboration with Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry produce a Report for the Agriculture Census 2001 as well as conduct user workshops to present Agriculture Census 2001 results;
- The Surveys Division will continue to provide advisory services and create environment of working together with interested parties on user pay basis.

4. **Administration Activities**
- Preparation of an updated Strategic Plan and a 2003/04 Operational Program by February 2003; and

5. **Manpower activities**
- To continue using performance measures based on the Strategic Plan 2002/03 twice during the financial year, at the beginning of December 2002 and the beginning of June 2003;
- Developing a detailed Work Plan (that has not been achieved in the Strategic Plan 2001/02) by September 2002; and
- Preparation of Annual Staff Development Plan and Performance Targets by September 2002.

6. **Economic Statistics activities**
- To complete the production of GDP estimates to include time series full set of accounts for years 1969/70 to 1999/2000 at base year prices of 1984/85 (during Strategic Plan 2001/02); and
- Recalculate the series of GDP estimates 1969/70 to 1999/2000 into the base year prices of 1995/96 and update the series accordingly during Strategic Plan 2002/03;
- To provide provisional GDP estimates 2002/03 by Industries Production and extend the estimate by Expenditure approach, depending on the availability of data; and
- To provide the GDP full set of accounts by the income and expenditure approach as resources permitting.

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**PROGRAMME 05: STATISTICS DEPARTMENT**

**SUB – PROGRAM 25: STATISTICAL SERVICES**

**Strategies**
- To increase the output of high quality economic and social statistics that are relevant and timely, as well as collection of statistics through surveys:
- To provide advice and assistance on statistical matters to other government departments in accordance with the requirements under the Statistics Act to ensure coordination, effective use of limited resources, accepted standards, and availability of statistical information as a government-wide resource.
- To ensure that the statistical information base and available statistical analysis meet the changing needs of policy development and management in government and the evolving requirements of the business community and non-governmental agencies and the general public.