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Mission to assess the Implementation of the Recommendations of the Peer Review and the Monitoring of African Charter on Statistics, 25-29 July 2022



The African Union Commission (AUC) conducted a peer review exercise from 21 to 25 May 2018 for the National Statistics System (NSS) of Mauritius. This peer review was conducted by the peers from South Africa (Mr. Risenga Maluleke, Statistician General for South Africa) and Morocco (Mr. Mohamed Salimi, Deputy Director of Statistics, the High Commission for Planning, Morocco) in addition to the representative of AUC, Eurostat and one Consultant.

At the end of the mission, 19 recommendations were formulated by the peers for an improvement of the NSS of Mauritius. These recommendations concern the following points:

- (i) Organisation and coordination of the NSS,
- (ii) Institutional environment,
- (iii) Quality,
- (iv) Statistical processes,
- (v) Dissemination.

Four years after this peer review exercise, the AUC-STATAFRIC and SADC Secretariat conducted a mission at SM from 25 to 29 July 2022 to assess the Implementation of the Recommendations of the Peer Review, the Monitoring of the African Charter on Statistics (ACS) for Mauritius and the SADC Protocol on Statistics.

#### **Way Forward**

- Statistics Mauritius will write to STATAFRIC for Technical Assistance required in areas such as revision of Statistics Act and implementation of the Generic Statistical Business Process Model (GSBPM).
- SM will implement the remaining recommendations according to an established time frame.
- SM should take the necessary action to sign and ratify as soon as possible the SADC Protocol on Statistics.

 The SADC Secretariat will be requested to undertake capacity building initiatives to the NSS of Mauritius on results-based framework to ensure alignment of the National Strategy for the Development of Statistics (NSDS) to the SADC Regional Strategy for the Development of Statistics (RSDS).

Training in Capacity building in measuring Multidimensional Poverty, Vulnerability & Informal Work at SM



The capacity building of Statistics Mauritius (SM) in measuring Multidimensional Poverty, Vulnerability & Informal Work is one component within the scope of the Agence Française de Développement / Expertise France (AFD/EF) Project on Social Protection.

In this context, fourteen staff of SM successfully attended a 10-day training in August 2022, covering the following subjects areas:

- poverty measurement, particularly Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI); and
- compilation of informality based on latest ILO algorithm.

At the end of the training, certificates were delivered by the Honourable Mrs. Fazila Jeewa-Daureeawoo (Minister of Minister of Social Integration, Social Security and National Solidarity) and other high officials of AFD/EF and the Ministry.





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Courtesy call by Dr Coffi Agossou, ILO Country Office Director for Madagascar, Comoros, Mauritius and Seychelles at SM



SM had the pleasure of welcoming Dr Coffi Agossou, the ILO Country Office Director for Madagascar, Comoros, Mauritius and Seychelles on 02 September 2022.

The courtesy call was an opportunity for SM to discuss on the current and future collaboration in the compilation of labour statistics, more specifically on the Continuous Multi-Purpose Household Survey.

# Study Tour at Statistics Mauritius from Angola National Statistics Office



Statistics Mauritius welcomed Angolan delegates for a study tour from 18 to 22 July 2022. The aim was primarily to understand the current practices regarding collection of retail and wholesale prices for the computation of Consumer Price Index (CPI) and other price indices.

Through collective discussion sessions, a good rapport in terms of knowledge sharing was built between the CPI staff and the Angolan delegates.

Forthcoming event at SM: Celebration of the African Statistics Day (ASD) and Dissemination of the preliminary results of the Housing and Population Census 2022



Since Government has lifted most of the Covid-19 sanitary protocols, SM is back in force with the organisation of two workshops which will be the occasion to celebrate two major statistical events.

Dear Colleagues, mark your calendars!

- (i) To celebrate the African Statistics Day 2022 and to disseminate the preliminary results of the Housing and Population Census (HPC) 2022 in Mauritius, a workshop will be organised at the **The Ravenala Attitude Hotel, Balaclava on Friday 18 November 2022**.
- (ii) Another workshop will be organised to disseminate the preliminary results of the HPC 2022 in Rodrigues at the **Pointe Cotton Hotel, Port Mathurin on Friday 25 November 2022.**

We look forward to these two workshops which will only serve to highlight the achievements of our Office.

#### SM Staff who left during July - September 2022

SM conveys its thanks to the retirees for their years of dedicated service to the Department and wishes them all the very best in their future endeavours:

Mr Harischand NAGURSET, Driver

01 July 2022

Mr Guru Govind CHANDYDYAL, Senior Statistical Officer

14 July 2022