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Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Post-2015 Development Agenda and Good Governance

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CRVS and Post-2015 Development Agenda

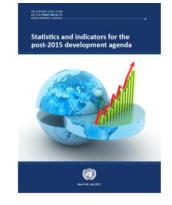
Report of Secretary-General's High-Level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015 Development Agenda



Target for Goal 10Ensure Good Governance and Effective Institutions"Provide free and universal legal identity, such as birthregistrations"

UN System Task Team Report on Statistics and Indicators for The Post-2015 Development Agenda

"Reliable and comprehensive civil registration systems are a basic component of good governance and are essential for the production of vital statistics and of many health and population indicators."



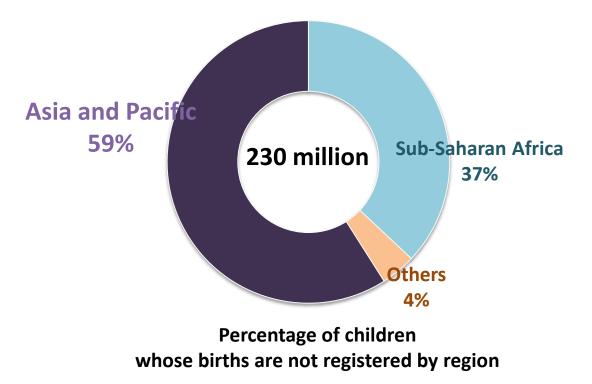
Current Trends of CRVS in Asia and the Pacific

135 MILLION

children under the age of 5 in Asia and the Pacific

have not had their birth registered

[Source: UNICEF]

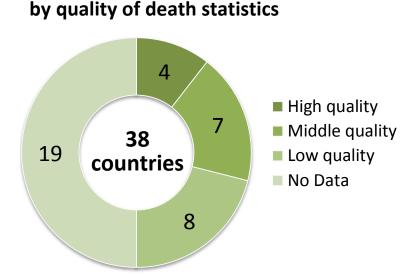


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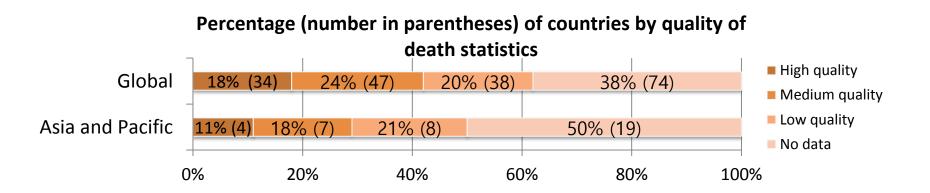
9 OUT OF 10

people in Asia and the Pacific live in countries with *unreliable death statistics*

[Source: WHO]



Number of countries in AP



Challenges in Improving CRVS in Asia and the Pacific

- lack of sustained high-level political commitment
- inadequate coordination and collaboration among the stakeholders
- weak institutional capacities
- insufficient financial and human resources
- legislative gaps
- lack of awareness of the potential benefits of CRVS and its importance for development
- geographical barriers



[source: ESCAP resolution]

Regional Efforts and Initiatives in Asia and the Pacific



May 2011 First resolution on CRVS in Asia and the Pacific

Self-assessment of CRVS conducted by 48 members and associate members



Dec 2012 High-level Meeting on CRVS in Asia and the Pacific

A Regional Strategic Plan prepared by countries and development partners to make sustained and coordinated efforts to improve the coverage and completeness of civil registration and the availability and quality of vital statistics in Asia and the Pacific by 2020



May 2013 Second resolution on CRVS in Asia and the Pacific

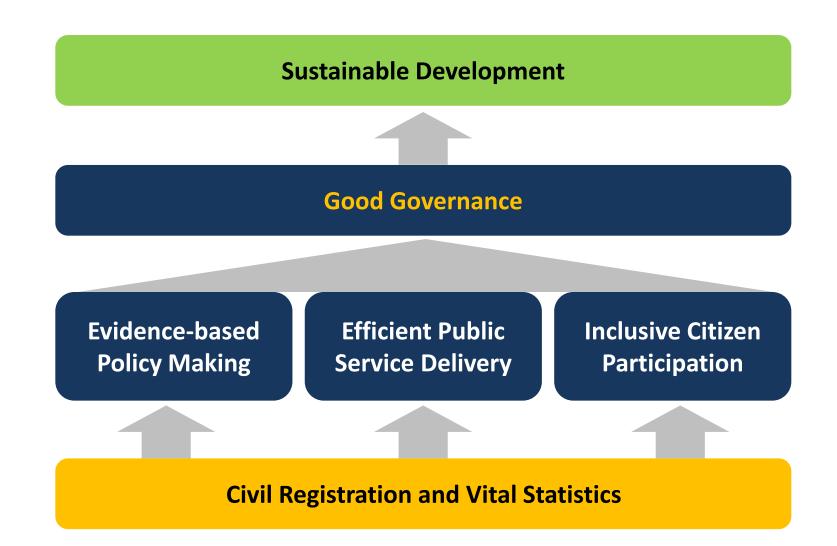
A Regional Steering Group established by member States of the ESCAP, comprising high-level representatives of governments and development partners to provide strategic guidance and advice for the regional initiative



Nov 2014 Ministerial Conference on CRVS in Asia and the Pacific

Bring Ministers together to agree on a Regional Action Framework with national targets, and to declare the "Asian and Pacific Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Decade" for 2015 to 2024

CRVS and Governance



CRVS and ICT/e-Government

Integrated and Reliable CRVS system

- Overcome the geographical, logistical and other barriers to universal civil registration
- Increase the capacity to compile, exchange, analyze and disseminate vital statistics
- Enable more secure storage and protection of civil registration archives

Whole-of-Government Approach to Public Services

- Provide reliable and timely information to government agencies such as the ministry of health, education, pension funds systems; electoral services, personal identification services and research institutions
- Delivery public services in the holistic, coordinated and crosssectoral manner
- Provide citizens for more personalized and accessible public services

PERU: National Identification Card (DNI) Of Children

2013 UN Public Service Awards *First Place Winner* in Latin American and Caribbean region in Category "Improving Delivery of Public Services."



- Peru's National Identification Registry Office (RENIEC) initiated in 2010 free registration services to families living in marginalized areas
- Children with national ID card: 0.1% (2001) \rightarrow 94.5% (2012)
- Ensure access to different public social services and safeguard legal security of Children
- Incorporating ICT in the civil and identity registration service
 - ✓ Online civil registration in the poorest regions
 - ✓ Online civil registry offices at public hospitals
 - \checkmark Single electronic database for more effective social programs
 - ✓ Improved portability and security of the ID of Children, adding digital printing and unique personal identity number (CUI) by issuing electronic DNI









"Well-functioning CRVS systems are critical tools to Make Every Life Count. Good datasets are not just about numbers they are about good policies, human rights, and changing mind-sets to build a more inclusive and sustainable Asia-Pacific." Noeleen Heyzer, Former Executive Secretary of ESCAP

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