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Message from Minister

Mukhdum Khusro Bakhtyar



The work of Planning & Development, Reforms being diverse and expansive in nature largely depends upon Statistics. PBS provides benchmark data on the socio-economic characteristics of various areas which are highly relevant for planning of the country. Government is committed to strengthen and modernize the country's infrastructure, eradicate poverty and improve life style standard of the marginalized sections of society, provide quality education and healthcare facilities to the masses as well as provide equal development opportunities to bring all the regions of Pakistan at par with each other. This cannot be achieved without reliable Statistical Data as we are involved in many important areas of our economy. There is a need for devising a strategy for automation of data collection in order to have authentic economic statistics for better policymaking. We are in the process of developing a mechanism to deliver more reliable official figures relating to economy, population, agriculture, trade and other areas.

Minister's Brief Profile

Mukhdum Khusro Bakhtyar is the current Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Reforms, also holds the additional portfolio of Ministry of Statistics, in office since 20th August 2018.

He has been a member of the National Assembly of Pakistan since August 2018.



Message from Secretary

Shaista Sohail

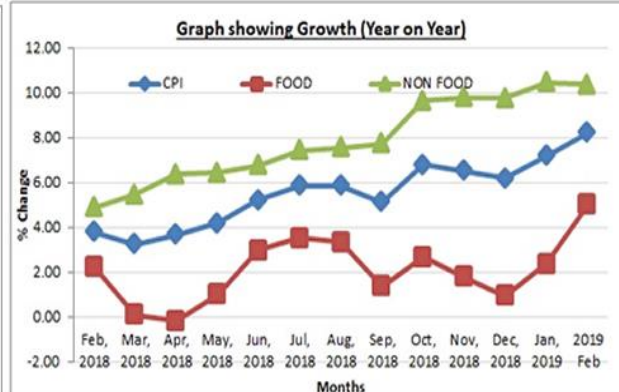
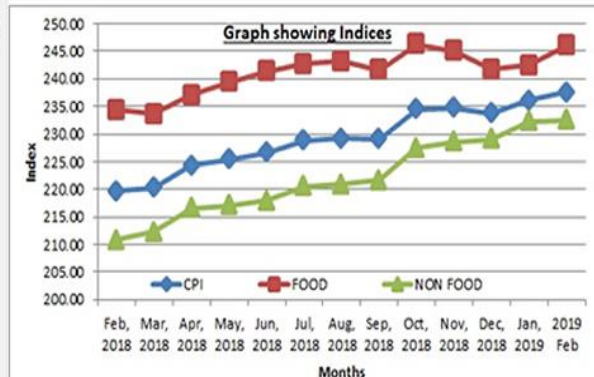
The twin issues that confront 'data suppliers' are ensuring data 'credibility' and reducing 'time lag' between data collection and its final publication. Authentic data provided 'real-time' gives policy makers time to react. It is our objective to switch to end to end electronic data collection for all PBS Surveys during the current calendar year. Tablets or android cellphones will directly feed data into software being developed indigenously by PBS. The coordinates of the enumerator would be recorded on GIS thus ensuring that the data has been actually obtained. The multiple stages currently adopted of digitizing, cleaning and punching data would not be required any longer as data would be punched in directly proverbially direct from the horse's mouth reducing time lag. The data would be provided to the end user in a seamless manner with no human interference.



Work has also commenced on providing secure access to real time data both available with PBS and line Ministries using GIS mapping i.e. Geographical Information System through dashboard. This will ensure data based decision and policy making. The support Ministries will be provided access to the data portal as well. However, they will also be assisted in developing their custom made softwares as per their specific requirements.

Price Trends

Graph showing Indices and Growth of Consumer Price Index (CPI), Food Group, Non-Food Group



Meeting of Governing Council

16th Meeting of Governing Council held on 15th January, 2019



The Minister for Ministry of Statistics Mukhdom Khusro Bakhtyar was chairing the 16th meeting of the Governing Council of Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) here at Islamabad. The Secretary, Ministry of Statistics Ms Shaista Sohail, members Governing Council and senior officials of the ministry were also present in the meeting.

The Minister has underlined the need for devising a strategy for automation of data collection in order to have authentic economic statistics for better policymaking.

The minister emphasized that PBS should devise a mechanism to deliver more reliable official figures relating to economy, population, agriculture, trade and

other areas. The minister called for including 'disabled' column in PSLM questionnaire to develop disability estimates at the district level to help government devise policy for betterment of handicapped persons.

During the meeting, various agenda items came under discussion. Noting that the last meeting of the Governing Council was held in April last year, the minister directed to convene meeting initially every month and later quarterly in order to clear all the backlog and ensure smooth and efficient functioning of organization.

The minister also directed to expedite the process of appointing chief statistician and fill the vacant posts of three members of the PBS. During the meeting, the secretary statistics briefed the minister, among others, about the work done by the Bureau since its last meeting including holding of 6th Population and Housing Census 2017 and completion of 11th round of PSLM. The Secretary also gave a briefing on major initiatives being undertaken by the PBS.

Unemployment Rate of youth (15-24) years 2017-18

	Total (%)	Male(%)	Female(%)
Pakistan	8.69	7.5	12.5
KP	9.38	9.8	22.8
Punjab	5.93	8.6	11.3
Sindh	12.45	4.9	11.9
Balochistan	3.94	3.3	9.3

Source: Labour Force Survey 2017-18 (Annual Report)

Dr. Sania Nishtar, BISP Chairperson visited PBS

Visit on 11th January, 2019

Chairperson, Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) Dr. Sania Nishtar, visited Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Statistics and had a live session of Urban Area Maps Digitization work at GIS Lab. Admiring the work environment she appreciated the work done by PBS GIS Wing.



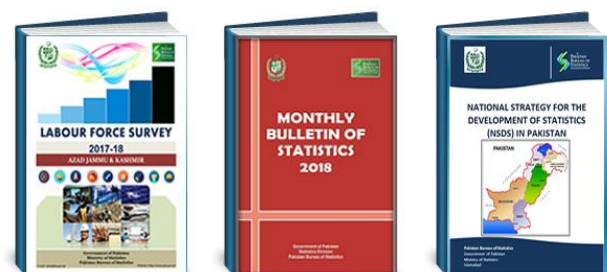
On demand by Dr. Sania Nishtar PBS supplied various customized maps having poverty related indicators from Pakistan Social and Living Standards Measurement categorized on district.

BISP is the repository of this PSC data that provides not only poverty profile of each household but also provides data on 12 key indicators that include among others household size, type of housing and toilet facilities, education, child status, household assets, agricultural landholding, and livestock ownership.

She advised that Ministry of Statistics / PBS may plot the PSLM Indicators on the map of Pakistan so that analysis may be made easy in the context of BISP Poverty Score Card (PSC).



Latest Publications on Website



Meeting of the Secretary with Islamic Countries Society of Statistical Sciences delegation

Meeting held on Thursday, 3rd January, 2019

A meeting with Dr. Munir Ahmed, President ISOSS was held on 21st January, 2019 chaired by the Secretary, Ministry of Statistics regarding the invitation of Pak Institute of Statistical Training and Research and ISOSS extended to Secretary, Ministry of Statistics for chairing of International Conference on Statistics planned to be held



Secretary, Ministry of Statistics highlighted the role of reliable and authentic Data in policy and decision making. She emphasized on in-depth research on various dynamics of the data. PBS has plenty of data which can be used for effective and evidence based policy decisions. In this regard researcher, academia, planning and policy analysts and other data users & stakeholders need to come forward to get maximum benefit from PBS data.

Dr. Munir Ahmed, President ISOSS also showed his full support in facilitating research based activities in PBS.

Secretary, Ministry of Statistics agreed, in principle, to participate in the International conference on Statistical Sciences to be held on 21st January, 2019 at Lahore.

An MOU for mutual cooperation on statistical trainings and research will be chalked out between Training Wing, PBS and Pak Institute of Statistical Training and Research.

Training Wing will initiate the process for the establishment of the Statistics Training & Research wing.



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Meeting of Secretary with Usman Dar (PMSA-NYDI)

Meeting Held on Thursday, 17th January, 2019

A meeting was held at Prime Minister Secretariat on 17th January 2019 for devising a mechanism for constructing of Youth Development Index. Meeting was chaired by Mr. Usman Dar, Special Adviser to the Prime Minister on Youth Affairs and attended by Secretary Ministry of Statistics along with officers from Pakistan Bureau of Statistics and representatives of UNDP. Secretary, Ministry of Statistics presented the situation of Youth Population in the country based on the available data with PBS and level of concentration of youth population in various provinces/districts. She also briefed about the current data sources for computation of Youth Development Index. Mr. Usman Dar highly appreciated the work of PBS and informed that Government believes on evidence based Planning therefore for policy making and resource allocation for Youth they need data up to the tehsil level.



Usman Dar said that the launch of NYDI would be a revolutionary step for the socio-economic development of youth, as it would gauge level of youth development not only at provincial/regional level but also at the District and Tehsil level.

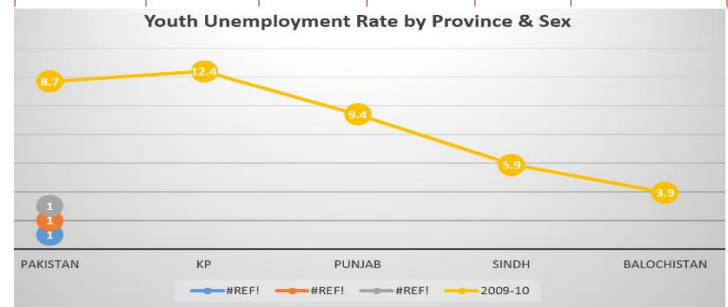
It was agreed in the meeting that a tehsil-level national youth development survey would be conducted to capture data on youth education, health, employment, engagement and wellbeing.



After detail deliberations it was decided that a special survey for youth may be conducted with the help of PBS and matters relating to Questionnaire design, Sample design and data collection will be discussed and finalized in subsequent meetings. To further proceed over the matter a meeting was held with the permission of Mr. Usman Dar at PBS headquarters on 18th January 2019 to discuss the modalities of the survey in detail. In the meeting it was decided that PBS will work on Sample design and UNDP will work on proposed draft questionnaire for finalization.

Youth Unemployment Rate by Province & Sex

Year	Pakistan	KP	Punjab	Sindh	Balochistan
2017-18	11.1	10.1	11.6	10.4	10.5
2014-15	10.6	13.1	11.8	7.0	7.3
2013-14	8.7	10.1	10.1	4.3	8.3
2009-10	8.7	12.4	9.4	5.9	3.9



Source: Labour Force Survey 2017-18 (Annual Report)

18th Internal Review Meeting regarding compilation of DCRs

Meeting Held on Tuesday, 18th, January, 2019

An internal review meeting was held on 18th January, 2019, Chaired by the Secretary Ministry of Statistics to review the progress on finalization of 150 District Census Reports (DCRs) 2017. The meeting attended by Mr. Habibullah Khan, Member (C&S), Mr. Muhammad Sarwar Gondal, Member (SS), Mr. Khalid Mehmood, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Statistics, Mr. Ashraf Arain, Census Commissioner and Ms. Dur-e-Nab Mushtaq, Section Officer (M/O Statistics).



It has been decided that composing/designing of District Census Reports will be done through internal arrangement by PBS, whereas, National/ Provincial Census Reports from external Source.

Member (Census and Surveys) will provide guidelines to the Report Writing Team in addition to coordinating progress review activities with worthy Secretary.

Moreover, Member (C&S) was of the view that comparison of area/population of 1998 Census with 2017 Census in case of Hyderabad city should be included because three districts are newly created from Hyderabad District. The proposal was considered but not acceded to by the worthy Secretary, Ministry of Statistics.



Micro Data available at PBS Website

The Micro Data for following surveys is available in SPSS and STATA Formats

- LFS 2010 -15 Microdata
- PSLM 2015-16 HIES / HIICS Microdata
- PSLM 2014-15 Provincial / District Microdata
- PSLM 2013-14 Social & HIES Microdata
- PSLM 2012-13 Microdata
- PSLM 2011-12 Social & HIES Microdata
- PSLM 2010-11 HIES Microdata
- PSLM 2010-11 District Microdata
- PSLM 2008-09 Provincial / District Microdata
- PSLM 2007-08 Social & HIES Microdata
- PSLM 2006-07 Provincial / District Microdata
- PSLM 2005-06 Social & HIES Microdata
- PSLM 2004-05 CIWQ Microdata
- PSLM 2004-05 HIES Microdata

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<http://www.pbs.gov.pk/content/microdata>

Meeting of PBS with USAID (GHSC-PSM) Project Team, regarding LMIS

Meeting Held on Monday, 4th, February, 2019

Meeting with USAID (GHSC-PSM) Project Team was held on 4th February, 2019 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Statistics. The agenda was to discuss long term sustainability / ownership of LMIS. At the outset, the Secretary invited the participants, for a round of introduction. Thereafter, Mr. Muhammad Tariq, Country Director Chemonics International Inc (Consortium partner USAID (GHSC-PSM) project) gave brief overview of web based Pakistan Logistics Management Information System which provides real time logistics and procurement data on health commodities including Contraceptives, Tuberculosis and Vaccines. Mr. Tariq gave a comprehensive presentation on current status of LMIS, milestones achieved so far and the confronting gaps being faced.



In Pakistan, he said, that they are connecting people with essential medicines and Family Planning commodities by linking public policy, technology, service delivery infrastructure and systems. Afterward, he shed a light upon supply chain evaluation from 2009 up-to 2018 in which USAID Commodity support was around \$147m. While discussing the data visibility

through LMIS he revealed that visibility level reached to all 150 districts. Subsequently, Dr. Tariq briefly

discussed the official interactions with stakeholders being practiced under USAID Global Health Supply Chain Program following districts of Pakistan which was initially piloted in 12 districts only in the year 2011. A concise discussion on complex supply chain and diverse needs.



Mr. Tariq concluded the presentation on how this LMIS System will sustain and expected ownership from Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS). He offered full support on the behalf of USAID to Pakistan Bureau of Statistics in term of Standardized Software development process and development of dashboard for data visibility and policy decisions. For the purpose he expected Family Planning Statistical Platform at PBS constituting Helpdesk ownership, stakeholder's facilitation, data validation, software maintenance, data analytics & use and change management.

Discussion was concluded with the comment /request to the stakeholders. The worthy Secretary principally agreed on the proposal presented by the USAID Country Director. It was further agreed by participants that USAID will provide support to PBS on various other projects of PBS including Labor Surveys, Agriculture surveys and energy and mining.

Government introducing Pro-Youth Legislation for Socio-Economic Development

Meeting Held on Wednesday, 6th February, 2019

A meeting of Pakistan Bureau of Statistics in Islamabad on 6th February chaired by the Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Youth Affairs Usman Dar. He at the eve of launching of National Youth Development Index survey says government is introducing pro-youth legislation for their socio-economic development.



He highlighted the importance of collecting credible data on current socio-economic status of youth across Pakistan for planning effective interventions for their uplift.



Usman Dar said policy reforms will be made in education, employment and engagement to enhance the capacity of youth as the Government is introducing pro-youth legislation for their socio-economic development.

Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Youth Affairs pointed out that National Youth Development Index survey would capture data on almost 100 indicators to gauge education level, employment status, health conditions, social engagement trends, and overall wellbeing of youth between the ages of 15 to 29.



100th meeting of the National Accounts Committee

Meeting Held on Wednesday, 6th February, 2019



The 100th meeting of the National Accounts Committee (NAC) to review the final and revised estimates of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for the years 2016-17 and 2017-18 respectively was held in the Conference room of Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS). The Secretary, Ministry of Statistics chaired the meeting. The provisional GDP estimates for the year 2017-18 and revised GDP estimates for the year 2016-17 presented in the 99th meeting of the NAC have been updated on the basis of latest available data. The special meeting of the NAC was called to meet the requirement of Ministry of Planning, Development & Reform for revised GDP data for the year 2017-18 to provide them a baseline to work on 12th Five Year Plan (2018-23).

The final growth rate of GDP for the year 2016-17 has been estimated at 5.37 percent which was 5.38 percent in the revised estimates. The agriculture sector has improved from 2.07 percent to 2.18 percent whereas industry sector declined from 5.43 percent to 5.20 percent. The final growth rate of services sector stands at 6.52 percent with slight improvement from 6.46 percent (Table).

The revised growth rate of GDP for the year 2017-18 is 5.22 percent which was provisionally estimated at 5.79 percent. The sectoral details are discussed below:-

Agricultural Sector: The revised growth in the agriculture sector for 2017-18 has been estimated at 3.70 percent which was provisionally estimated at 3.81 percent. The crops sub sector has improved from 3.83 percent to 4.24 percent whereas livestock has slightly decreased from 3.76 percent to 3.62 percent.

Industrial Sector: The revised growth in industrial sector is 5.01 percent which was 5.80 percent in the provisional estimate. Mining & quarrying has improved from provisional growth of 3.04 percent to 3.89 percent whereas LSM, which is based on QIM, has declined from 6.13 percent to 5.01 percent. Electricity has declined from 1.84 percent to 1.15 percent. The revised growth in construction sector stands at 7.07 percent which was 9.13 percent in the provisional estimates.

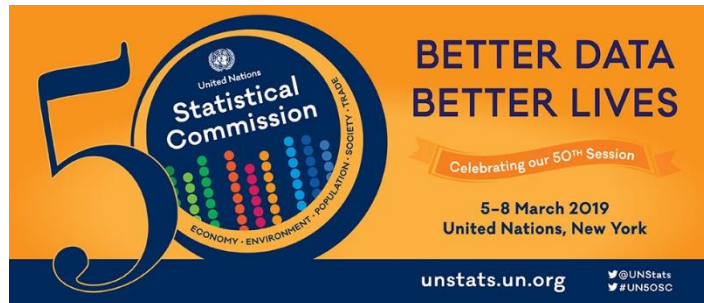
Services Sector: The growth of services sector has declined from provisional estimates of 6.43 percent to 5.78 percent. The Wholesale & Retail Trade (WRT) has declined from 7.51 percent to 6.40 percent, Transport, Storage and Communication declined to 1.96 percent from provisional growth of 3.58 percent. Finance & Insurance has registered a decline from 6.13 percent to 5.40 percent. The General Government Services have declined from 11.42

Gross Domestic Product of Pakistan (at constant basic prices of 2005-06) (Rs. in Million)

S. No	Sector/Industry	2016-17 (F)	2017-18 (R)	2016-17 (F)/ 2015-16 (F)	2017-18 (R)/ 2016-17 (F)
A.	Agricultural Sector (1 to 4)	2,253,565	2,336,888	2.18	3.70
1.	Crops (i+ii+iii)	832,744	868,019	1.22	4.24
i)	Important Crops	534,659	550,851	2.60	3.03
ii)	Other Crops	244,703	259,091	(2.51)	5.88
iii)	Cotton Ginning	53,382	58,078	5.58	8.80
2.	Livestock	1,326,948	1,375,017	2.99	3.62
3.	Forestry	45,505	44,694	(2.33)	(1.78)
4.	Fishing	48,368	49,157	1.23	1.63
B.	Industrial Sector (1 to 4)	2,443,960	2,566,413	5.20	5.01
1.	Mining and Quarrying	331,917	344,832	(0.36)	3.89
2.	Manufacturing (i+ii+iii)	1,581,706	1,666,187	5.83	5.34
i)	Large Scale	1,260,858	1,324,054	5.64	5.01
ii)	Small Scale	214,841	232,403	8.15	8.17
iii)	Slaughtering	106,007	109,730	3.55	3.51
3.	Electricity generation & distribution and Gas distribution	209,803	212,211	3.02	1.15
4.	Construction	320,534	343,183	9.85	7.07
	Commodity Producing Sectors (A+B)	4,697,525	4,903,301	3.73	4.38
C.	Services Sectors (1 to 6)	7,017,524	7,423,177	6.52	5.78
1.	Wholesale & Retail trade	2,187,728	2,327,729	7.48	6.40
2.	Transport, Storage & Communication	1,560,593	1,591,112	4.47	1.96
3.	Finance & Insurance	396,200	417,575	10.99	5.40
4.	Housing Services (OD)	777,144	808,209	3.99	4.00
5.	General Government Services	882,015	966,478	5.95	9.58
6.	Other Private Services	1,213,844	1,312,074	8.18	8.09
D.	GDP (Total of GVA at bp (A+B+C))	11,715,049	12,326,478	5.38	5.22

50th Session of UN Statistical Commission

Event Held during 5-8 March, 2019 at New York, USA



The event was held from March 5 to 8 under the theme, **'Better data, better lives'**. The UNSC brings together chief statisticians from UN Member States, and is the highest decision-making body for international statistical activities. On the behalf of Pakistan, the Secretary, Ministry of Statistics attended the event.



The agenda of the session included several important topics related to data and indicators on the goals of the sustainable development agenda 2030, and to measure the progress achieved by states in achieving those goals agreed upon in 2015, in particular, the preparation of relevant national and international reports.

The UNSC, established in 1947, is the highest decision-making body of the global statistical system. It brings together the chief statisticians from UN member states around the world.



The Federal Secretary Ministry of Statistics Shaista Sohail meets Dr. Maleeha Lodhi Pakistan's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations during 50th Session of UN Statistical Commission.

PBS Quick Statistics



Population of Pakistan
210,700,000
at 30 September 2018



Gross Domestic Product
5.22%
at 08 February 2019 (Year 2017-18)



Consumer Price Index
8.2%
at 01 March 2019



Unemployment Rate
5.8%
at 30 June 2018

Launching of Android / Tablet Based Prices Collection System (TPCS)

Presentation Held on Wednesday, 27th February, 2019

In pursuance of Secretary's vision of end-to-end 'real time' data collection directly from the 'interviewee' bypassing multiple stages i.e. Punching, Cleaning, and Digitizing to produce 'credible data' by reducing 'time lag' between its collection and final publication, a first ever android based application is developed (in-house) by DP Center, Support Services Wing and was tested in field successfully. A demonstration / presentation session was held under the chair of Secretary, Ministry of Statistics.



Tablet Based Price Collection System (TPCS) i.e. User friendly interface, Role based Login, Online / Offline Mode functionality to make it independent from internet connectivity, Enumerators Location Tracking Module, Activity time-tagging module besides Auto Survey Management Module to ensure remote / real-time work-force management.



Field Testing of Tablet based Prices Collection System at Multan

The **TPCS** fulfilled all the requirements i.e. end-to-end data collection and less-human-interaction. The software was taken into market at Peshawar, Lahore and Multan for testing by the enumerators:-



The functionalities regarding Supervisors / Regional Chiefs i.e. assigning of Markets, real-time monitoring dashboard were also elaborated in detail during onsite training sessions held at Peshawar, Lahore and Multan.



Senate Resolution No. 396 moved by Leader of the House, Senator Shibli Faraz

Meeting Held on Tuesday, 22nd January, 2019

A resolution passed by the Senate of Pakistan which was moved by the honorable leader of the house, Senator, Shibli Faraz for the creation of 'Analytical Database Wings' in all Ministries in order to facilitate in evidence based policy-making.

"This House recommends that the Government should take necessary steps for creation of Analytical Database Wing in all Ministries in order to facilitate "Policy making" of the respective Ministry."

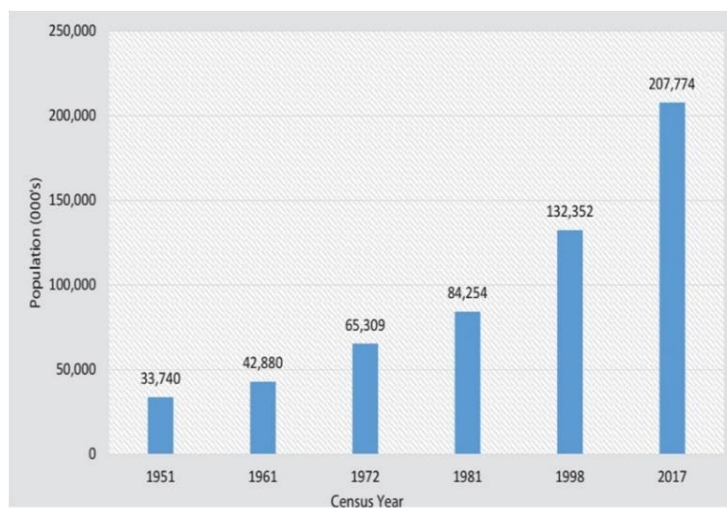


Series of meetings were held with stakeholders to discuss the possibilities of developing 'analytical data base' in each of the '36' Federal Divisions and the 'identification of gaps' in data availability, existing capabilities for data analysis, data sharing mechanism and categorization on the basis of their nature of work. After detailed deliberations a **Concept Note / Working Paper** was prepared by PBS for development of "cost effective", three tiered implementation plan (Immediate, Short Term, Long Term) for prompt execution using latest technologies based on **Geographic Information, System (GIS)** / Spatial Decision Support System (SS) for evidence based policy planning and decision making.

The said Concept Note/Working Paper was discussed in detail in the meeting of Secretaries Committee held on 30th January, 2019 under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary. The Committee agreed to implement the Resolution in a phased manner and decided that in first phase a GIS based Open Data Portal may be developed which would be directly accessible to decision making authorities of various public sector development forums (DDWP, CDWP, ECNEC).

GIS based open data portal will be developed which would be accessible on desktop / Laptop in encrypted manner of data security to identify Ministries/ Divisions/ Organizations. The proposed solution of **Decision Support System (DSS)** will be housed at Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (**National Data Aggregator**) for managing national data sets, regular reporting, pattern discovery and technology management. Ultimately, this will lead to acquisition of Interactive Business Intelligence Software with **GIS Layering** for Data Visualization and Dissemination of 6th Population & Housing Census 2017. Shifting of all Surveys / Census from Conventional paper based to Tablet based Surveys for end-to-end data collection to achieve high level of integrity and efficiency with cost effectiveness.

Pakistan Census at a glance



6th Population & Housing Census 2017 (Provisional Results)

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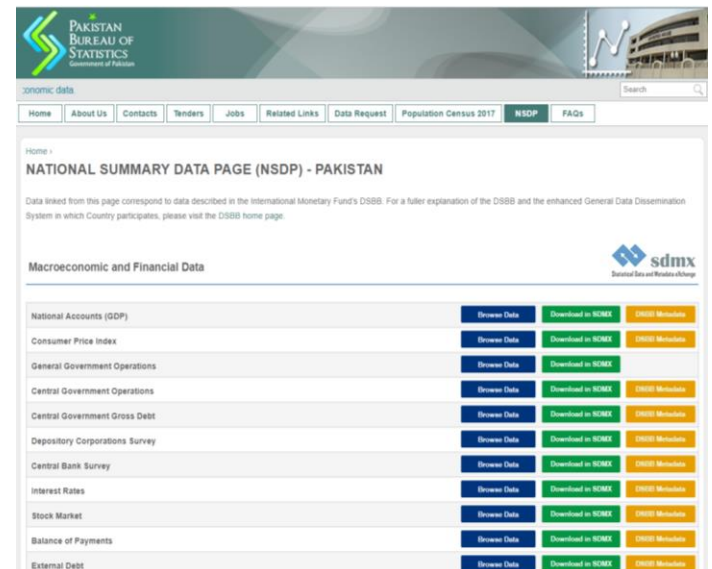


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PBS Implemented the IMF's e-GDDS through NSDP

Available at PBS Website: <http://www.pbs.gov.pk/nsdp>

PBS has implemented the recommendations of the IMF's Enhanced General Data Dissemination System (e-GDDS) by publishing critical data through the National Summary Data Page (NSDP). The e-GDDS was established by the IMF in 2015 to support improved data transparency, encourage statistical development, and help create synergies between data dissemination and surveillance.



PBS Website URL: <http://www.pbs.gov.pk/nsdp>

The NSDP is a national data portal that serves as a one-stop vehicle for essential macroeconomic data on the national accounts, government operations and debt, monetary and financial sector and balance of payments among others.

Retirements

Mr. Habibullah Khan, JCC	[20-03-2019]
Ms. Shahida Faisal, CSO	[28-02-2019]
Mr. Zahoor Muhammad, CSA	[11-02-2019]
Mr. Muhammad Iqbal, SA	[11-02-2019]
Mr. Sultan Muhammad, DEO	[24-01-2019]
Mr. Majeed Masih (Division), Farash	[04-02-2019]



Meeting of Secretary, Ministry of Statistics with Federal Minister Shafqat Mehmood on Literacy Statistics in Pakistan.



Mr. Joe Shobe, Global Business Services receiving souvenir from Secretary M/O Statistics during first technical meeting on cLMIS



25th Senior Management Course Participants' Visit to PBS



Technical Committee Meeting on Annual Contraceptive Performance Report, 2017-18



Mr. Habibullah Khan, Member (C&S) briefing the MBBS students of Shifa- International Collage at PBS, Islamabad



Mr. Rizwan Bashir, Director, CPL participated in the First Meeting of the Subgroup on Gender Statistics Training, Bangkok, Thailand