



VIRTUAL TRAINING WORKSHOP ON “COMPILATION AND ANALYSIS OF NATIONAL FOOD BALANCE SHEETS IN OIC COUNTRIES”

18-20 OCTOBER 2021

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CONCEPT NOTE

Background

Large numbers of people are suffering from hunger across the world which is one of the main causes of death in low-income countries and least developed countries (LDCs). Due to undernourishment, children across the globe are exposed to serious health issues, particularly their physical and cognitive development are adversely affected. This is also a hindering factor on socio-economic development of the least developed OIC countries.

Targets set under the SDG 2 can help reduce or eliminate the negative impacts of hunger, including promotion of universal access to nutritious foods, increasing productivity of food producers, promoting resilient and sustainable practices in agriculture among some others. Based on a recent study of SESRIC titled “Towards the Achievement of Prioritised Sustainable Development Goals in OIC Countries 2020”, the OIC countries have made stagnant progress in reducing the proportions of people suffering from hunger. Despite the overall positive change between 2000 and 2017, proportion of the undernourished people in total OIC population has been stably increasing since 2011. In this context, increased levels of funding and investment particularly through government funds and international cooperation are expected to streamline productivity of food production.

In this connection, timely and reliable agricultural statistics undoubtedly play an important role in enhancing the efficient production and distribution of food and agricultural products in OIC countries by formulating and implementing sound and feasible development plans and policies, thus strengthening the resilience and standards of their communities and ensuring food security.

Objectives

In addressing the aforementioned challenges, annual food balance sheets (FBSs) guide relevant governmental institutions to monitor and analyse the trends in overall national food supply, disclose change in type of food consumed and reveal the extent to which the food supply at the country as a whole is adequate in relation to nutritional requirements. FBSs are useful in making a detailed examination and appraisal at food and agriculture situation in a country. They are also suitable for predicting overall shortages and surpluses in the country.

To strengthen the capacities of national statistical systems of OIC countries, SESRIC, COMCEC and Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) jointly developed a project in 2019 titled “Enhancing Food Security through National Food Balance Sheets” which aims to promote reliable and up-to-date data collection so as to ensure sound analysis of food security situation in the OIC countries. The project included in its first design a physical hands-on training on the compilation and analysis of National FBSs, planned to be held in 2020, which has had to be shifted to 2021 implementation period due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Against this background, SESRIC and FAO with the financial support of COMCEC will jointly organise a Virtual Training Workshop on “Compilation and Analysis of National Food Balance Sheets in OIC Countries” on 18-20 October 2021 providing a technical training on the FAO’s new Food Balance Sheet

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(FBS) methodology, standards & definitions, and overview of the FBS modules and imputation methodologies with the participation of official statisticians working either at National Statistical Offices (agricultural statistics sections), and/or at Ministries of Agriculture (statistical units) of the OIC countries.

The Training Workshop will include practical exercises and cover the following topics:

- Introduction to Supply Utilization Accounts (SUA)/Food Balance Sheet (FBS)
- Data for FBS Compilation Overview
- Data Assessment and Other Preliminary Considerations
- FBS Methodological Framework
- FBS Components
- Country Presentations: Experiences in the FBS compilation and main challenges
- New FBS Country Compilation Tool (Using Data on Turkey)
- Data Entry and Practical Showcase on the New FBS Country Compilation Tool

Format

- Around 2.5 hours of daily sessions via Zoom with presentations, data entry and practical showcase by experts from FAO as well as presentations of country experiences
- Simultaneous interpretation will be provided during the workshop in three official languages of OIC namely; Arabic, English and French.
- Q&A sessions at the end of each presentation.



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Work Programme

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18 October 2021, Monday	
11:00 – 11:15	Opening Session <ul style="list-style-type: none">Addresses by:<ul style="list-style-type: none">HE Mr. Adnen LASSOUED, Director General, INS of Tunisia <i>Chairman of the 10th Session of the OIC-StatCom</i>HE Mr. Nebil DABUR, Director General, SESRICHE Mr. Fatih ÜNLÜ, Director General, COMCECMr. Salar TAYYIB, Team Leader - Crops, Livestock & Food Statistics, FAOFamily PhotoObjectives of the training workshop, expectations, and outputsPresentation of the agenda
11:15 – 12:00	Session 1: Introduction to Supply Utilization Accounts (SUA)/Food Balance Sheet (FBS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>History</i><i>Definition of SUA and FBS</i><i>Potential Uses</i><i>Caution in interpreting FBS estimates</i><i>The fundamental principles of FBS construction</i><i>Q&A</i> Session 2: FBS Methodological Framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>The basic identity and approach</i><i>Definitions of FBS components</i><i>Linking SUA to FBS through standardization using commodity trees</i> <i>Speaker: Salar Tayyib, FAO</i>
12:00 – 12:15	Coffee Break
12:15 – 12:45	Session 2 (cont'd): FBS Methodological framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>Recommended Balancing Mechanism</i><i>Alternative Balancing Approach</i><i>Q&A</i> <i>Speaker: Salar Tayyib, FAO</i>
12:45 – 13:00	Coffee Break
13:00 – 14:00	Session 3: Data for FBS Compilation Overview; Data Assessment and Other Preliminary Considerations <i>Speaker: Aydan Selek, FAO</i>

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19 October 2021, Tuesday	
11:00 – 12:00	Session 4: FBS Components (1/3) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Production• Trade (Imports and Exports)• Q&A <i>Speaker: Salar Tayyib, FAO</i>
12:00 – 12:15	Coffee Break
12:15 – 13:15	Session 4 (cont'd): FBS Components (2/3) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stocks and Stock Changes• Food Availability (SDG 2.1.1 & 3.5.2)• Food Processing• Q&A <i>Speaker: Aydan Selek, FAO</i>
13:15 – 13:30	Coffee Break
13:30 – 14:30	Session 4 (cont'd): FBS Components (3/3) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tourist Food• Feed• Seed• Loss (SDG 12.3.1)• Industrial Use• Residual and other Uses• Q&A <i>Speaker: Aydan Selek, FAO</i>

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20 October 2021, Wednesday	
11:00 – 12:00	Session 5: Country Presentations on the Experience in the FBS Compilation and Main Challenges <i>Speakers: Cameroon, Indonesia, Jordan, Malaysia, Turkey</i> <i>Moderators: Salar Tayyib, Aydan Selek, FAO</i>
12:00 – 12:15	Coffee Break
12:15 – 13:15	Session 6: Presenting the New FBS Country Compilation Tool (Using Turkey Data) <i>Speaker: Giulia Piva, FAO</i>
13:15 – 13:30	Coffee Break
13:30 – 14:30	Session 7: Presenting the FAOSTAT Data and Closing Session <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>FAOSTAT data</i>• <i>Discussion</i>• <i>Final Q&A</i>• <i>Conclusion</i> <i>Speaker: Salar Tayyib, Aydan Selek, FAO</i>