

MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING
ME TO SHARE .LADIES, GENTLEMEN,
COLLEAGUES. GOOD AFTERNOON.
GREETINGS FROM THE FEDERATION OF ST
KITTS AND NEVIS.
THANKS TO UNFPA AND ECLAC FOR THE
ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT YOU CONTINUE
TO SHARE WITH US.

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PERSPECTIVE



I WILL BE PRESENTING A STATUS REPORT ON
THE INITIAL PREPARATION FOR THE
EXECUTION OF THE 2020 ROUND OF
POPULATION AND HOUSING CENSUS.
-COMMENT ON WEBSITE/VIRTUAL PLATFORM

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OUTLINE

- Census Planning Overview
- Review of Questionnaire
- Census Committee
- Budget Estimate
- Advocacy Strategy
- Potential Challenges

CENSUS PLANNING OVERVIEW

- The next Housing and Population Census in St. Kitts and Nevis is planned for 2021, with Census day established as 16th May 2021
- Pre-census listing planned for May 2020
- Pilot testing of census questionnaire and pre-run of census activities planned for February 2021
- Final field and supervisory training and Census data collection planned for the period April to June, 2021

CENSUS COMMITTEE

- Established a Census Committee to review the questionnaire
- Census Committee will also examine the budget and develop an implementation plan for the census
- The Survey Unit with in DoS will be strengthen for the implementation of the 2021 Census.
- Broader committee of other NGO's to be established to manage the implementation of the census and related activities

REVIEW OF QUESTIONNAIRE

- Questionnaire was discussed in the CSO as to the adoption of core and non-core questionnaires
- Draft of census questionnaire to be adopted will be shared with other government agencies for their feedback
- Finalize draft questionnaire for starting field activities- pilot and census

BUDGET ESTIMATES

- Plans to use Capi instead of Paper as the main approach for data collection has been approved (80 to 90 percent Capi).
- Draft budget has been developed, includes the purchase of tablets and computers instead of the printing of questionnaires
- Preliminary budget has been developed at EC\$M1.7 or US\$M 0.6; last census was approximately US\$M0.4 for a population of 17,425 households and 47,195 persons.

ADVOCACY STRATEGY

- Advocacy plan is still in its initial stages (stats canada, oeecs)
- Efforts will be made to make greater use of online media to get the message across- social media messaging, online programs, and website ads
- Advocacy plan will be developed around each segment of the census- prelisting, pilot testing and census

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATION

- Incorporation of an Agricultural Census Module
- Incorporation of GIS referencing of households
- Consideration of alternative software to Survey Solutions such as CS-PRO
- Development of a Tabulation Plan

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES

- Human Resource Constraints- Insufficient qualified staff
- Competing priorities- Other priorities that pre-occupy existing resources
- Limited Budgetary Support- Competing with other Projects and programs for financial resources
- Technical Know-how- A few experienced personnel in the use of CAPI and GIS; “no experts”
- Technological Issues- Use of capi devices would require extensive training for field officers, and wifi could present issues to gps data collection

WEBSITE

- I wish congratulate UNFPA implementing the website portal.
- The DoS with the assistance of Statscan will be launching its website “stats.gov.kn”, next Tuesday October 15th, ON THE OCCASION OF THE ELEVENTH OBSERVANCE OF CARIBBEAN STATISTICS DAY 2019 continuing the 2018 theme “Building the Resilience of the Caribbean Community”.
- The DoS will be most happen to link with the Montevideo consensus virtual portal.
- Thanks You.