

# MKUKUTA Monitoring Highlights: Issue 5

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**Happy New Year** and welcome to the electronic newsletter for MKUKUTA monitoring. The following describes progress since November 2006. Previous editions of this newsletter are available on the web site of the **Poverty Eradication Division in the Ministry of Planning, Economy and Empowerment (MPEE)** [www.povertymonitoring.go.tz](http://www.povertymonitoring.go.tz).

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**REVISED Web site !!!!!:** Find it at [www.povertymonitoring.go.tz](http://www.povertymonitoring.go.tz).

It includes many recent Government reports such as MKUKUTA costing studies, Poverty and Human Development Reports, past editions of MKUKUTA Highlights,....plus more!

**MKUKUTA Monitoring Master Plan and Indicator Information Report** has been finalised for printing. Developed during 2006, the Master Plan provides information on the institutional arrangements for monitoring on the Mainland, indicators and definitions, data sources and frequency of collection. Electronic versions are available on [www.povertymonitoring.go.tz](http://www.povertymonitoring.go.tz). PED wishes to thank all Government stakeholders and non-state actors who participated in the revision during 2006.

**MKUKUTA Annual Implementation Report (2005/06)** : Finalisation of this report is underway. The previous Zero Draft was made available to the General Budget Support Review in October 2006. However the final draft will reflect the use of the new electronic reporting system (RIMKU). This new system is being used with MDAs ; the process is allowing stakeholders to learn and it will inform future report preparation. Government is working towards making the report available in February.

**Technical Working Groups** of the monitoring system are clarifying their meeting schedules for Jan-June 2007. These will be circulated to all members soon. Workplans and budget revisions for this period are also underway, in preparation for approval at mid-February Technical Committee meeting.

### **Social Protection :**

The second Social Protection Forum was held in November 2006, following the initial March 2006 session. A Task Team is taking forward the development of a Concept Note and the development of a National Social Protection Framework. The Team has agreed Terms of Reference, institutional arrangements and technical assistance. The Draft Concept Note will be shared with stakeholders in February followed by the development of the National Framework by July 2007 (draft).

### Studies :

- Study 1 : Mapping the transition of the MKUKUTA Monitoring **Pooled Funds** to the General Budget began in November 2006, contracted to Daima Associates. It will be available for discussion in February 2007.
- Study 2 : Review of the **Agriculture Survey** 2002/03 is currently being contracted and work should be completed by April 2007.

### RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS (RAWG, Secretariat [repa@repa.or.tz](mailto:repa@repa.or.tz)):

1. **Status Report 2006** is the first report to provide progress using the *new* revised MKUKUTA indicator set. The final version will be available on the web by end January. Hard copies will be available in February from PED (Vice President's Office Building, Kivokoni Front) and from REPOA (Mgombani Street, Dar).
2. **Views of the People Survey** : Fieldwork begins in early 2007 and will gather opinions of changes during MKUKUTA from 5000 households and 110 Focus Groups in 10 Regions. The views of youth and elderly will be a special focus. The questionnaire can be requested from Research and Analysis's Secretariat (address above).
3. **Growth Strategy Sessions** :  
Two growth discussions were held in late 2006, chaired by the Permanent Secretary of MPEE. These were the first step in responding to the need for a more explicit growth strategy. The importance of prioritising, and bringing existing initiatives into a coherent framework which ensures that all stakeholders pull in the same direction was highlighted. The current approach to growth which relies heavily on creating an enabling environment for the private sector was acknowledged as valuable but insufficient to stimulate domestically driven growth. Consistency with MKUKUTA and consensus building will be important strategic elements. Minutes are available from the RAWG Secretariat.

### SURVEYS AND ROUTINE DATA (Secretariat : [www.nbs.go.tz](http://www.nbs.go.tz)):

1. **Service Provision Assessment Survey** : preliminary report is **attached** !!!!!
2. **Tanzania Statistical Master Plan** is underway with Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) and was launched in October by His Excellency Dr. Ali Mohamed Shein, Vice President. Since October, a Needs Assessment Questionnaire has been designed and distributed to MDAs. The questionnaire aims at clarifying each sector's statistical capacity and status as a foundation for identifying areas for improvement when preparing statistical plans. The National Bureau of Statistics coordinates this work through the Survey and Routine Data Technical Working Group. For more information visit NBS's web site.
3. **National Surveys** :
  - **Household Budget Survey 2007** began with the listing exercise for identification of sample of households to be interviewed. Training of enumerators was completed in December 2006. Fieldwork began in January 2007, and is expected to last 12 months. This is also the first time for a Community Questionnaire to be included in the HBS. The household questionnaire is available on the National Bureau of Statistics web site. [www.nbs.go.tz](http://www.nbs.go.tz)

- ***Ten Regional Agricultural Reports*** are ready and the remainder are being finalised. These give in-depth crop and livestock information, as well as information about access to agricultural services and inputs. They are available from the resource centre at the NBS (Kivokoni Front, Dar es Salaam) and soon on the NBS web site.
  - ***Integrated Labour Force Survey***: Survey fieldwork was completed as planned in December 2006. Data entry and analysis was set-back slightly because of electricity shortages, but the full analysis is expected later in 2007.
  - ***National Panel Survey*** : This future series of annual surveys will examine the dynamics of poverty (households which move in and out of impoverishment) by tracking a sample of households. A technical committee has been established to plan this work chaired by the National Bureau of Statistics as Secretariat.
  - ***Disability Survey*** : Preparation for this pilot is well underway. It will be one of the first nation-wide Disability Surveys in Sub-Saharan Africa. The core questions, definitions and information about disability statistics can be found at [www.nbs.go.tz](http://www.nbs.go.tz)
3. **TSED** : The new Tanzania Socio-Economic Database (based on DevInfo 5.0 technology) has been finalised. It includes MKUKUTA and MDG indicators, and will be available on CD by end January 2007. Visit the TSED web page at [www.tsed.org](http://www.tsed.org).
  4. **Statistical training** : This took place as planned in 2006 for MDAs and civil society. The high demand for has led to 6 more short courses for 2007. For more information contact [repoa@repoa.or.tz](mailto:repoa@repoa.or.tz).

Finally, we invite you to share any documents or information you have with us which you would like posted on our web site. Thank you for your interest in MKUKUTA Monitoring. If you have questions please contact us through email.

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