

# MKUKUTA Monitoring **Highlights: Issue 1**

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Welcome to the first MKUKUTA Monitoring **Highlights**. It will provide a brief email update on progress every two months.

### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- 2-day National Dialogue in February (dates to be confirmed)
- Poverty and Human Development Report 2005 available soon
- Household Budget Survey discussions: 10 February

Further information.....

**The Poverty Eradication Division** is now part of the Ministry of Planning, Economic Affairs and Empowerment. Due to limitations of space at the Ministry's main office building our offices remain at the Vice President's Office on Kivokoni Front until further notice.

**Development of the MKUKUTA Monitoring Master Plan** : We have held three consultations on this during 2005 and a further consultation will take place during the forthcoming National Dialogue (an abbreviated form of Poverty Policy Week). The exact dates of the Dialogue are still to be determined. We will let you know. We will circulate the latest revision of the Master Plan within the coming weeks, but meanwhile the Zero Draft is available on request.

**Indicators for MKUKUTA Monitoring:** Consultations are underway to revise the indicators to fit the three MKUKUTA clusters. We are consulting with a wide range of Ministries and other stakeholders. The latest version will be presented at the National Dialogue. Considerable strides have been made in drawing indicators from Ministries, as well as deepened our ability to track cross-cutting issues (gender, environment, age, HIV/AIDs, disability, geographic diversity, etc). Our goal is to ensure that the indicator set is manageable, and that there are quality data available for tracking change. Links to Ministry MISs, and Budget Support Indicators are being enhanced.

**Tanzania 's 2005 Poverty and Human Development Report (PHDR):** This report is now in its final stages of editing and will be available at the National Dialogue. Presentations about its contents and the results of recent national surveys which underpin its analysis will be presented at the Dialogue. It contains chapters on the status of poverty, spatial analysis (including District estimates on household income and a range of other indicators), and rural growth. The information should prove useful for planners and stakeholders of all levels.

**Technical Working Groups for MKUKUTA Monitoring:** There will be three Technical Working Groups: *Research & Analysis* (Chair: Planning, Economic Affairs and Empowerment), *Surveys & Routine Data* (Chair: National Bureau of Statistics) and *Communications* (Chair: Poverty Eradication Division). The membership of each is currently being re-constituted especially with the aim of enhancing involvement of Ministries, Department and Agencies. Our aim is to have government, academic/research institutions, development partners, civil society and the private sector represented in each group. The Master Plan explains the details in terms of number and processes for determining members.

**Household Budget Survey discussions:** An open session about the forthcoming Household Budget Survey (2006/07) is being planned by the National Bureau of Statistics and Research & Analysis TWG. It is scheduled for 10 February at REPOA (Mgombani Street) from 1-3pm.

**Tanzania Monitoring web site:** We are currently revising our web site to enlarge its capacity and enhance its linkages. We will inform you of the new site as soon as it becomes available.

For further details contact us through this email address and please let us know if you, or others wish to be added or deleted from this list.