

# THE 2012 POPULATION AND HOUSING CENSUS AN OVERVIEW

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# *Background Information*

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- Population censuses in Tanzania dates back to 1910; The first scientific census took place in 1958;
- Four censuses have been conducted since independence in 1961, (1967, 1978, 1988 and 2002);
- The fifth post independence census is scheduled for 2012.

# *Background Information (Cont'd)*

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- Rationale:
  - Massive exercises that will determine to a large extent Data Quality and Availability for the next decade;
  - The 2012 Census will provide updated benchmark data for formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the country's development programmes and policies. Information from the census will be used to monitor and evaluate country programmes like MKUKUTA/MKUZA, MDGs in 2015 etc.

# Census Phases

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## Three major phases:

### □ Pre-enumeration:

- Setting up administrative structure
- Implementation strategy
- Cartographic work
- Development of topics to be investigated
- Census tests – pre-test and pilot census
- Publicity and Advocacy activities (in all 3 phases).

# Census Phases (Cont'd)

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## □ Enumeration

- Training of field staff for data collection
- Data collection

## □ Post enumeration

- Data processing;
- Evaluation of census results including Post Enumeration Survey; and
- Analysis, publication and dissemination of results

# Progress

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- Institutional arrangement set up from national to district level
- **Important documents produced**
  - Census questionnaires and related manuals
- **Cartographic Work**
  - ▣ 17 regions covered (about 75% the total workload)
  - ▣ Plans are to finish cartographic in December 2011.

# Development of Topics

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- ❑ Past censuses topics,
- ❑ Current country needs, e.g. MKUKUTA/MKUZA and MDGs monitoring and evaluation plans;
- ❑ Suggestions from data users as well as other data producers;
- ❑ Recommendations of the United Nations; and
- ❑ Recommendations of regional bodies of which Tanzania is a member e.g. EAC and SADC;



# Census Questionnaires

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- Three type of questionnaires
  - Community questionnaire
  - Short questionnaire with 26 questions
  - Long questionnaire with 54 questions

# Community Questionnaire

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- The questionnaires will collect information on:
  - Availability of social services;
  - Environment;
  - Source of public drinking water sources;
  - Some events occurring in the area;

Most of these information questions will be collected by enumerator through observation.

# Short Questionnaire

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The questionnaires will cover the entire population.

Questionnaire has 5 Sections:

- Section A: Identification
- Section B: Demographic Indicators
  - Relationship, Gender, Age, Disability, Marital status, Citizenship and Place of work
- Section C: General and Maternal Mortality
- Section D: Tanzanians living abroad (Diaspora)
- Section E: Summary of persons in the household

# Long Questionnaire

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The questionnaires will cover about 30% of the population and has 9 Sections;

- Besides questions covered by short questionnaire, the questions will also collect information on:
  - Education and Literacy;
  - Migration;
  - Economic activity;
  - Fertility; and
  - Housing Conditions

# *Pilot Census*

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- Pilot census will be held in selected areas early next month;
- Major objective being to test the census instruments and other census mechanism;
- Final version of the questionnaire to be completed early next year.

# Census Budget

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- Govt. contribution is estimated at Tshs. 87.4 billion (US\$ 58.2 mil.); equiv. to 77 %
- Contribution by DPs partners is estimated at Tshs. 26.8 billion (US\$ 17.8 mil.).
- Over 80% of the budget to be spent in 2011/12 and 2012/13.
- The Govt. is committed to the census – census activities included in this year budget;
- However, a funding gap may be expected for several reasons;

# *Major Donors and Resource Mobilisation*

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Besides the Government, major donors so far:

- UN Organisations in the country;
- The Government of UK through DFID
- World Bank.
- A Resource Mobilisations meeting was held in June 2011, followed by a visit to several Offices;
- Offices approached:
  - EU, AfDB, South Korean Embassy, JICA, India High Commission, Swedish Embassy

Thank you

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