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Reports from Regional Coordinators & TAG Meetings

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1. Objectives of Meetings
2. Main Outcomes of Regional Coordinators meeting
3. Main Outcomes of TAG meeting
Objectives of Meetings

- Enhance collaboration between regions and GO
- Set objectives of the 2011 round
- Agree methodological aspects
- Identify the main work areas
- Reach understanding on data transmission and sharing
- Agree on time schedules

Regional Coordinators

- Review the achievements of the ICP 2005 Round
- Discuss the methodological implications of the objectives of the ICP 2011

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Regional Coordinators Meeting: Main Outcomes

1. Objectives of ICP 2011
2. Lessons Learned from the ICP 2005
3. Process for building product lists for the main survey
4. Education services
5. Health services
6. Housing
7. Gross capital formation
8. National Accounts
9. Data Management and Processing Resources
10. ICP Data Quality Framework
11. ICP Calendar of Activities
12. Memoranda of Understanding
Technical Advisory Group: Main Outcomes

The TAG welcomed G.O’s initiatives of:

1. Delineating a National Accounts Framework for ICP work
2. Defining guidelines for the implementation of ICP related National Accounts activities

Discussions covered:

1. Health
2. Poverty PPPs
3. National Accounts
4. Global linking and aggregation
5. Process for building the core and regional product lists
6. Education
7. Rents for owner-occupied dwellings
8. Research topics
Technical Advisory Group: Research Areas

The TAG proposed 11 research topics

1. The treatment of owner-occupied housing
2. The treatment of financial services
3. The measurement of government outputs
4. Problems associated with the review of survey frameworks
5. The treatment of exports and imports
6. The adjustment of household consumption data for net purchases abroad
7. The representativity problem
8. Aggregation issues
9. Pricing construction
10. Poverty issues