Major Groups' Recommendations on Poverty

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Inequalities

 Answering to FA 1 on Poverty eradication, building shared prosperity and promoting equality, we would encourage a separate standalone FA on promoting equality without merging it with this FA.

Multidimentional

 While we welcome the resolve to end extreme poverty, we are concerned that the multidimensional nature of poverty seems to be unaddressed in this version.

Disaggregate

 We welcome the emphasis on the need to disaggregate indicators further without which it would be difficult to gauge progress made. We would also push for more clarity on financing for this critical FA in keeping with the principle of common but differentiated responsibility

Target a

- End poverty in all its forms everywhere:
- a) eradicate extreme poverty using suitably referenced benchmarks by 2020 with a focus on addressing structural barriers faced by women and the most marginalized groups, who make up the majority of poor people

Target c

 c) by 2030 implement nationally designed universal social protection measures, in particular social protection floors[3], with focus on coverage of the most marginalized[4]

Target d

d) build resilience of poor people with focus
 on women of all ages and the most
 marginalized groups and reduce by x% social,
 household and economic losses related to
 disasters [5] by protecting livelihoods and
 productive assets, including livestock,
 working animals, tools and seeds

Target e

 achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all, for people of all ages, including women and young people"

Target f

• f) ensure equality of economic opportunity for all women and men[7], including securing individual and collective rights to own land, property and other productive assets and access to financial services for all women and men [8]

Target g

 g) ADD TARGET: ensure adequate redistribution of resources through the effective taxation policies, functioning labour market institutions and the introduction of a minimum living wage and by taxing harmful emissions, use resulting funds to restore environment and for a basic income for all people.

Target h

 h) Reduce relative poverty in societies as measured by proportion of households with incomes below 50% of median income[1]

Target i

 i) Reduce the intensity of multidimensional poverty (as defined by the Multidimensional Poverty Index)

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• i) Develop (nationally relevant) indices to assess human well being