Institutionalizing sustainable development indicators for measuring progress of national strategies

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- National Strategic Development Plan (NSDP)
 - At the framework stage, defining the blueprint for sustainable development
- Other areas of work
 - MDGs
 - Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP)
 - Statistics Division

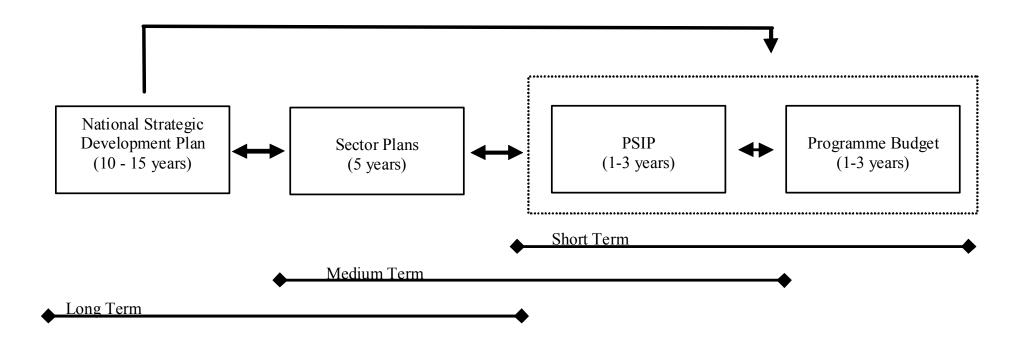
The draft vision for development

a sustainable economy through balanced, integrated development strategies that provide a continually improving standard in quality of life while ensuring social stability and integrity of the environment.

The development agenda:

- Fiscal Stabilization and Economic Growth
- Social Cohesion, Cultural Expression, Community Development
- Public Sector Transformation
- Cross Cutting Human and Physical Resource Development

The integrative process



Weaknesses to national planning and SD

- Uneven planning, scattered resources
- Lack comprehensive commitment to planning
- Uncoordinated trade policy
- Weak national statistics and appreciation for data

Bridging the institutional gap

- Statistics institutional strengthening project just completed the legislative review which has recommended the inclusion of environment indicators;
- National Physical Development Plan underway
- Trade Diversification program to maximize the potential for the services sector;
- Inclusion of SD indicators to the national planning process.