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### Acronyms

ACC	Anti-Corruption Commission
BSL	Bank of Sierra Leone
ECOSOC	Economic and Social Council of the United Nations
CSOs	Civil Society Organisations
EVD	Ebola Virus Disease
HLPF	High Level Political Forum
MAFFS	Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food Security
MDAs	Ministries Departments and Agencies
MEST	Ministry of Education, Science and Technology
MFAIC	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation
MFMR	Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources
MIA	Ministry of Internal Affairs
MLCPE	Ministry of Lands, Country Planning and the Environment
MLGRD	Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development
MLSS	Ministry Labour and Social Security
MMMR	Ministry of Mines and Mineral Resources
MOHS	Ministry of Health and Sanitation
MoE	Ministry of Energy
MoFED	Ministry of Finance and Economic Development
MoJ	Ministry of Justice
MSWGCA	Ministry of Social Welfare, Gender and Children's Affairs
MTA	Ministry of Transport and Aviation
MTI	Ministry of Trade and Industry
MTCA	Ministry of Tourism and Cultural Affairs
MWHI	Ministry of Works Housing and Infrastructure
MWR	Ministry of Water Resources
MoY	Ministry of Youth
NAC	National AIDS Commission
NaCSA	National Commission for Social Action
NRA	National Revenue Authority
ONS	Office of National Security
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
SLEPA	Sierra Leone Environmental Protection Agency
SLIEPA	Sierra Leone Investment and Export Promotion Agency
SLRA	Sierra Leone Roads Authority
SLARI	Sierra Leone Agricultural Research Institute
SSL	Statistics Sierra Leone
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme

#### **Executive Summary**

The Government of Sierra Leone (GoSL) strongly supports the launch of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (the UN SDGs) to succeed the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). The new Agenda conveys renewed commitment by the UN to continuously support global socioeconomic development. The previous Agenda, the MDGs, provided useful benchmarks that GoSL strove very hard to achieve despite Sierra Leone's weak start at the dawn of the 21st century due to a devastating decade long civil war (1991-2001).

Unfortunately, while the government was staying the course of pursuing the MDGs to an end, as well as Sierra Leone's Vision 2035 of becoming a middle income country with the implementation of its Agenda for Prosperity, the nation was struck by yet another crisis, the Ebola virus disease (EVD) in May 2014. The disease killed more than 3500 people out of more than 8000 infection cases. It caused unprecedented damage of the social and economic fabric of the state, before it was officially declared over on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

Before the disease struck, we had generally recorded encouraging achievements in the implementation of the MDGs in a range of development areas. For instance, poverty headcount had declined from 70 percent in 2003, to 52.9 percent in 2013; prevalence of underweight children reduced from 20 percent in 2004, to 16 percent in 2013; school completion rate recorded at 76 percent in 2013; the ratio of girls to boys in primary school was getting to 100 percent; HIV/AIDS prevalence dropped from 1.5 percent in 2005, to 0.22 percent in 2013; access to safe drinking water increased from 36.7 percent in 1990, to 62.6 percent in 2005; mobile cellular subscribers increased from 14.3 percent in 2007, to 76.7 percent in 2014. Serious challenges did remain in a number of other areas, especially in reducing maternal and child mortality-in 2013, maternal mortality still recorded at 1,165 deaths per 100,000 live births; under-five and infant mortality rates recorded at 156 and 92 deaths per 1,000 births, respectively.

Therefore, Sierra Leone has seen the SDGs as timely opportunity to overcome remaining and emerging national and global challenges, including health problems in a proportion of least developed nations; growing negative consequences of climate change; rising crossborder organized crimes; illicit financial flows; and governance crises and conflicts in many parts of the world.

We have therefore prepared this report to inform the UN about progress Sierra Leone has made in adapting the SDGs to national development processes. The report constitutes undertaken by initial steps GoSL to domestically implement the SDGs. It is submitted in response to UN's request to all Member States wishing to participate in the first High Level Political Forum (HLPF) review of progress on the SDGs, scheduled for July 2016 in New York.

Our first step involved the publication of a simplified version of the SDGs, followed by meetings with civil society organizations on the Goals. The Goals have been integrated into the 2016 National Budget, and have been aligned to the Eight Pillars of Sierra Leone's Agenda for Prosperity. Additionally, a technical workshop was organized to draft a national monitoring and evaluation framework for the SDGs. The workshop produced (i) a draft national integrated results framework, aligning the SDGs to the monitoring and evaluation matrix of the country's Agenda for Prosperity; and (ii) a draft set of 91 SDGs indicators specific to Sierra Leone.

The report is a draft and work in progress. We hope to narrow down the draft indicators to a more feasible set for the country. The workshop drew participants from government institutions, civil society organizations, and representatives from donor agencies.

#### **1. Introduction**

# 1.2 Background and Justification of the SDGs

Sierra Leone implemented the MDGs during 2000-2015. The Goals were operationalized within the framework of the country's national development plans, such as the poverty reduction strategy papers (PRSPs), which have been implemented since the end of the civil war in 2002.

In May 2014, towards the end of the MDGs, the country was struck by the Ebola virus disease (EVD), killing more than 3500 people out of more than 8000 infection cases. The disease caused unprecedented socioeconomic damage before it was officially declared over on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015. While women and children were the most affected, the most worrying situation was the high death toll the disease inflicted on our very limited population of health workers, killing 221 out of 296 infected doctors, nurses and other health personnel; 11 specialist doctors were among those lost.

Sierra Leone had generally recorded positive achievements in the implementation of the MDGs in a range of development areas. For instance, preliminary MDGs Progress Report (2000-2015) shows that poverty headcount declined from 70 percent in 2003, to 52.9 percent in 2013; prevalence of underweight children reduced from 20 percent in 2004, to 16 percent in 2013; school completion rate recorded at 76 percent in 2013; the ratio of girls to boys in primary school now stands at 100 percent; HIV/AIDS prevalence dropped from 1.5 percent in 2005, to 0.22 percent in 2013; access to safe drinking water increased from 36.7 percent in 1990, to 62.6 percent in 2005; mobile cellular subscribers increased from 14.3 percent in 2007, to 76.7 percent in 2014 percent.

At the same time, not all MDGs targets have recorded desired progress, including the areas of fighting rural poverty prevalence (still close to 70 percent); child mortality (under-five and infant mortality rates recorded at 156 and 92 deaths per 1,000 births in 2013, respectively); and maternal mortality (recorded at 1,165 deaths per 100,000 live births in 2013).

The following challenges have especially emerged for the country in light of recent socioeconomic developments and its relations to the entire world:

- Poverty, vulnerability and inequality continue to remain. These could have been seriously exacerbated by the one and a half years of devastation of the Ebola virus disease.
- Sierra Leone was hit by a twin crisis during 2014-2015: while the EVD was raging, the international price of country's the leading export commodity (iron ore) coincidentally crashed, and the two leading mining companies of the mineral have suspended operations since 2014. The twin crisis saw the economy plummet from a GDP growth of 15.2 percent in 2012, and 20.1 percent in 2013, to about 7 percent in 2014 (from an estimated 11.3 percent for 2014 at the beginning of the year before EVD).<sup>1</sup> And it was projected to grow by minus 23.5 percent by the end of 2015. Furthermore, during this epidemic, national prices skyrocketed over-dependence owing to on international market for local consumption and production, while both air and sea transport was extremely disrupted. The message is that, the country cannot grow and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Sierra Leone National Ebola Recovery Strategy (2015, p.6), Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Freetown.

develop sustainably without meaningfully diversifying the economy.

- Natural disasters—such as health and environmental calamities—continue to occur at alarming proportion in the world, Sierra Leone not an exception, with the recent examples of (i) the Ebola epidemic during 2014-2015, and (ii) flooding disaster that decimated homes and claimed scores of lives in the capital of Freetown this year.
- Evidence of negative effects of climate change is increasingly becoming clear—sea levels are rising; massive floods are becoming more frequent; and we are fast losing life in our surrounding environment including plants and animals that are extremely important for our survival. Sierra Leone is reported to be the third most vulnerable country to effects of climate change, after Bangladesh and Guinea-Bissau.<sup>2</sup>
- Civil conflicts continue to remain widespread; and terrorism, piracy, and drugs and human trafficking are all becoming constant features on earth. Sierra Leone remains one of the enlisted fragile states in the world that are prone to these circumstances.
- In addition to the effects of global financial crises, illicit financial flows are increasing and causing substantial economic losses, especially for least developed countries like Sierra Leone.
- A lot remains to be desired with governance systems across the world; as wars continue to rage in various parts of the globe, millions of people continue to be displaced, leading to growing refuge and illegal migrant

crises. While Sierra Leone is increasingly recording desired ratings in good governance, it remains vulnerable to the effects of poor governance, conflicts and terrorism in other countries.

• Human and drugs trafficking, smuggling, and terrorism have gained grounds under these circumstances and have undermined the stability of the world; threats which engulf the entire globe.

Thus, GoSL cannot agree more with the endless opportunities presented by the SDGs, which have been launched as the new UN global development Agenda put together to succeed the MDGs. They are meant to build on and address the unfinished business of the MDGs, and confront these emerging challenges. The new Agenda was launched and endorsed by all 193 Member States of the UN on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2015 in New York. With 17 Goals and 169 targets, the new Agenda will be implemented for another 15 years, starting from January 2016 till December 2030.

# **1.2 Three National Development Plans to Implement in Sierra Leone**

The PRSPs have been the overall national development framework Sierra Leone has implemented since the end of the civil war. It was implementing the third generation PRSP, the Agenda for Prosperity (A4P), 2013-2018, when the Ebola virus broke out. The extensive social and economic damage of the disease necessitated the formulation of the National Ebola Recovery Strategy (NERS), with the objective of (i) ending and sustaining zero Ebola infections; (ii) restoring socioeconomic services; and (iii) returning the economy back on the track of sustainable development with effective implementation of the A4P. The NERS was completed and launched in July 2015 and is implemented until June 2017. On 25<sup>th</sup>

<sup>2</sup> <u>http://standardtimespress.org/?p=5191</u>.

September this year, the UN SDGs were launched, with all Member States required to implement them domestically.

Thus, Sierra Leone faces the challenge of simultaneously implementing three key strategies: the A4P (2013-2018); the NERS (2015-2017); and the SDGs (2016-2030); all of which are critical to the sustainable development of the country. However, while the three plans are crucially important, their simultaneous implementation requires an integrated approach in order to ensure coherent and coordinated address of the differentiated but interrelated objectives they respectively seek to achieve.

#### **1. 3 Objective of the Report**

The objective of this report is to inform the United Nations about the progress Sierra Leone has made in adapting the SDGs to national development processes. It specifically provides status of initial steps undertaken by the government to domestically implement the SDGs. The submission of this report is a response to UN's request to all Member States wishing to participate in the first High Level Political Forum (HLPF) review of progress on the SDGs, scheduled for July 2016 in New York.

#### **1.4 Report Preparation**

To ensure broad participation in the preparation of this progress report in line with the consultative processes required for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, a two-day technical working session was organized by the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). This session drew participants from government institutions, civil society organizations (CSOs), and representatives from donor agencies. The outcome of the workshop led to this draft report submitted to the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)/HPLF.

#### **1.5 Organization of the Report**

The following sections present the major initial steps so far undertaken by the government in integrating the SDGs into the national development processes. Section II talks about the publication of a simplified version of the SDGs, while III highlights outcome of an orientation meeting on the SDGs for civil society organizations convened and chaired by the Minister of Economic Development. Finance and Section IV discusses the integration of the SDGs into the 2016 National Budget and their linkage with the Eight Pillars of Sierra Leone's Agenda for Prosperity, while V talks about local monitoring and evaluation of the SDGs. Section VI describes the institutional arrangement for implementing the Goals in Sierra Leone, VII concluding the report and highlighting next steps.

# 2. Publication of Simplified Version of the SDGs

The first and immediate step undertaken by GoSL was to embark on a sensitization of the public on the SDGs. It started off with the preparation of a simplified version of the new Agenda, which was produced and published on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015. This version shows (i) the transitioning from the MDGs to the SDGs; (ii) the reasons for embarking on the SDGs and their preparation process; (iii) the remaining and emerging challenges to address in the world; (iv) the correlation between the SDGs and Sierra Leone's development priorities as defined in the country's current PRSP-the Agenda for Prosperity-which sets the baseline for achieving Sierra Leone's Vision 2035 of becoming a middle income country; and (v) how the SDGs are expected to be implemented in Sierra Leone. (See the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development for the simplified version).

#### 3. An Orientation Meeting with Civil Society Organisations on the SDGs

On 29<sup>th</sup> October 2015, the Honourable Minister of Finance and Economic Development engaged civil society organisations in the Western Area of the country to sensitize them on the SDGs. The discussion was focused on emphasising the continuing challenges the world was facing, as the MDGs were coming to an end, and the opportunities the new global Agenda—the SDGs—was presenting to addressing these challenges. The meeting further underscored the central role and responsibilities of CSOs in the implementation of the SDGs in Sierra Leone and other parts of the world. Box 1 provides a summary of critical areas that CSOs pointed out during the meeting as requiring special attention in the implementation of the SDGs, which the Minister responded to. The Box also gives a summary of agreed actions going forward.<sup>3</sup>

#### Box 1: Outcome of Meeting on Orientation of Civil Society Organisations at the Ministry of Financial and Economic Development, Freetown, 29<sup>th</sup> October 2015, Chaired by the Honourable Minister

A: Key Concerns Raised by CSOs

a. The civil society expressed series of concerns about the feasibility of achieving a range of Goals. For instance, they expressed that an uphill task will be involved in achieving SDGs 1 and 11—ending poverty in all its forms everywhere and making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe resilient and sustainable—which the Minister responded to with optimism.

b. They advised the need to reflect on the successes and challenges of the MDGs as a starting point of the implementation of the SDGs.

b. Discipline, quality assurance and ensuring probity in the use of resources were underscored as critical underpinnings for the success of the SDGs and general development programmes. To enhance effective delivery culture in the public sector, the importance of performance contracts signed by government's ministries, departments, and agencies (MDAs), and publication of report cards for people judge outcome, were emphasized. A budget committee of ministers has been established to sit and review the budget before taken to parliament and the committee will continue with budget execution and oversight.

B: Agreed Action Going Forward with the SDGs

a. Ministerial performance contracts to be drawn from the national budget plan to which the SDGs are firmly linked. This is critical for the participation of the CSOs in the monitoring of the implementation of the Goals alongside traditional national development plans.

b. That government to strengthen local revenue mobilization with a greater focus on taxes to increase the economic resilience of the state.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Report of this meeting is available at the Desk of the National Coordinator of Non-State Actors in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development.

c. Improve public project implementation capacity.

d. Strengthen the operations and management of non-governmental organizations which handle a great proportion of national development resources. (Continued overleaf.)

e. Set-up and implement effective national monitoring and evaluation systems to effectively track and report on development progress.

f. Clearly map all relevant MDAs and other stakeholder in relation to their roles and responsibilities in following up and reporting on SDGs progress.

g. Strengthen and restructure our academic, technical and vocational institutions, introducing specialized courses so as to meet contemporary demand by employers and international development competition.

h. The achievement of a range of SDGs, such as those relating to the environment and climate change—11, 12, 13, 14, and 15—are dependent on behavioural change. Thus, the attention should be given towards sensitization and popularizing the SDGs, with emphasis on behavioral change.

i. To nationally determine the investment needs to achieve the SDGs.

j. To follow up with UNDP country office on the status of developing global indicators for monitoring the SDGs.

k. All CSOs to carefully identify themselves with the relevant SDGs falling under their respective programmatic areas to enhance their participation and follow up in the implementation of the SDGs.

#### 4. The 2016 National Budget, Sierra Leone's A4P and the SDGs

The SDGs constitute a major policy thrust in the Sierra Leone's National Budget for 2016 Fiscal Year presented to parliament on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015, the day the simplified version of the new Agenda was published. Copies of this version were distributed to all parliamentarians and the general public. The SDGs are aligned to each spending category of the 2016 Budget. In so doing, the Budget Statement has been able to start defining actors and their responsibilities for reporting

on the SDGs within government MDAs state competing for resources and categorized under the various planned expenditure headings. An annex showing the link between the 17 SDGs and 169 targets and the Eight Pillars of the Sierra Leone Agenda for Prosperity, with a map of MDAs, is included in the 2016 Budget, and is reproduced in this report as Annex 1. A summary of the link between the SDGs and these pillars is presented in Table 1, reproduced from the SDGs simplified versions (2015, p.4).

The 17 SDGs Regrouped	Sierra Leone's Agenda for Prosperity
1) Reducing general poverty prevalence— Goals 1,2&10	Pillar 1: Diversified economic growth—directly related to SDGs 7,8&9
<ul> <li>2) Human development—Goals 3,4&amp;6</li> <li>3) Gender parity—Goal 5</li> </ul>	Pillar 2: Managing natural resources—directly related to SDGs 12,13,14&15
4) Employment, economic growth and competitiveness—Goals 7,8&9	Pillar 3: Accelerating human development— directly related to SDGs 3,4&6
5) Human settlement, housing and population infrastructure—Goal 11	Pillar 4: International competitiveness—directly related to SDGs 7,8&9
6) Environmental sustainability—Goals 12,13,14&15	Pillar 5: Labour and employment—directly related to SDGs 7,8&9
7) Governance, peace and security—Goal 16	Pillar 6: Social protection—directly related to SDGs 1,2&10
8) Means of implementing Goals 1 to 16— Goal 17	Pillar 7: Governance & public sector reform— directly related to SDG 16
	Pillar 8: Gender & women's empowerment— directly related to SDG 4&5

#### Table 1: Linking Sierra Leone's Agenda for Prosperity with the SDGs

Source: Simplified Version of the SDGs prepared by GoSL (2015, p.4).

As reflected in Table 1, in Sierra Leone, the SDGs are more or less a recast of the country's leading development plan, the A4P (2013-2018), a national agenda to roll out beyond 2018 on the road to achieving Vision 2035. This strongly suggests that the SDGs and the A4P are deeply intertwined.

# 5. Monitoring and Evaluation of the SDGs in Sierra Leone

A two-day technical workshop was organized on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2015 to commence work on planning a monitoring and evaluation (M&E) framework for the SDGs in Sierra Leone. The M&E of the Goals is viewed on two levels in the country. Firstly, against the backdrop that there currently exist two key national development plans, the A4P and the NERS, it is prudent for coherence and coordination that the

annual (mostly, process, activity and output) reporting of progress on the SDGs be embedded in the monitoring and evaluation arrangement for the Agenda for Prosperity as the defining national plan, to which the National Ebola Recovery Strategy is also embedded. Thus, the first deliverable of the two-day technical workshop was to draft an integrated results framework (IRF), aligning the SDGs and the NERS to the monitoring and evaluation framework of the Agenda for Prosperity. The second and final deliverable was a draft set of Sierra Leone specific SDGs indicators (SLSIs) formulated based on the 17 SDGs and 169 targets, taking into consideration the realities on the ground. A guideline was developed to direct the formulation of these indicators during the workshop, and is summarized in Box 1.

**Box 1: Guideline for the Formulation of Sierra Leone Specific SDGs Indicators at the Technical Workshop held on Adapting the Goals in Sierra Leone** 

#### December 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> 2015, Freetown

a. Draw on the MDGs indicators and status as baselines, where necessary

b. Draw on the initial draft SDGs Results Framework provided by the Central Planning Monitoring and Evaluation Directorate of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development

c. Draw on the initial draft National Integrated Results Framework—aligning the SDGs and NERS to the A4P Results Matrix—provided by Central Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation Directorate of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development

d. Critically review the SDGs targets to agree and propose in your Working Group what is achievable in Sierra Leone

e. Note in your discussion that the level of development of Sierra Leone would not be the same as other countries

f. Draw on Sierra Leone's Vision 2035 in formulating these indicators (see the Introductory Chapter of the Agenda for Prosperity (2013-2018, p.xi)

g. Some SDGs targets are straightforward, thus formulation of indicators could only involve transformation or rewording of targets

h. Reflect on other important documents, such as sector strategies; donor agency strategies; etc.

i. Where targets are identified as similar, the one that best captures the information of all is or are maintained for the formulation of corresponding indicators

Advanced draft *integrated results framework* and *Sierra Leone specific SDGs indicators* were produced at the workshop. However, further national technical consultations are needed towards the finalization of these frameworks. Annex 2 presents the draft matrix of the *indicators* that emerged from the two day initial technical discussions. So far, 91 indicators have been proposed for Sierra Leone out of the 169 SDGs targets. We hope to narrow down the number of these indicators at subsequent technical discussions and future engagements with various stakeholders. A key challenge now is to determine baselines and periodic targets for these indicators for which data was not available for the vast majority. The workshop attempted to come out with some data on these, but it predominantly remains a work in progress, as the entirely local adaptation of the SDGs still is. That is, this status report is essentially a work in progress. We shall review these frameworks and gather the relevant data as the implementation of the SDGs commences in January 2016.

#### 6. Organizational Arrangement for Implementation of the SDGs

#### **6.1 Actors in Implementation**

The institutional framework for implementing the SDGs will fall within our national plans' implementation framework. It will draw actors from within the public sector; civil society and the media; research institutions and academia; donor community, including local UN system; and the local councils and communities.

The government recognizes the regional and dimensions the country's global to sustainable development. This is central in the SDGs; thus, local adaptation of the Goals shall be effectively linked to regional and global implementation of the Agenda, noting that development actions outside our borders directly indirectly affect or local development. This especially relates to the implementation of SDGs 12, 13, 14, 15, &16, on environmental, governance, peace and security issues.

#### 6.2 Reporting Mechanism on the SDGs

National reviews will be done within the existing reviewing platform for implementation of national development programmes, such as the Agenda for Prosperity, to ensure coherent, harmonized and aligned national development efforts. At the highest, policy and political level, the government has regularly met with development partners to discuss progress on national development issues. Below this level are technical working groups on different sectoral and national development thematic issues. For instance, Pillar Working Groups have been developed around the Eight Pillars of the Agenda for Prosperity. Participants in these technical discussions are drawn from government MDAs, local councils, civil society organisations, research institutions, donor agencies and other stakeholders to discuss status of plan implementation. Outcomes of these discussions have been informing meetings at the policy and political level, referred to as Development Partners Committee (DEPAC) meetings, co-chaired by government and development partners. These platforms shall be used in the local review of progress of implementing the SDGs.

#### 6.3 The New Deal

Sierra Leone is a signatory to the New Deal for International Engagement in Fragile States, and is committed to using country systems and Mutual Accountability Frameworks in the implementation and reporting on the SDGs, as it has been in the implementation of national plans. The government will reflect on the New Deal's Peace and Statebuilding Goals (PSGs) in domesticating the SDGs, ensuring that localization of the SDGs (i) is consistent with political inclusiveness; (ii) gives adequate focus on security and justice; (iii) promotes sound economic foundations; and (iv) promotes capacity to generate local revenue and service delivery. SDGs 6, 7, 8, 9, 16 & 17 were identified during a g7+ workshop held recently in Nairobi, Kenya. Sierra Leone being the current Chair of the g7+ gives the consideration of the New Deal a special and reinforcing appeal to the government of Sierra Leone with regard to the need for adequate adaptation of the SDGs in Fragile States. The Nairobi workshop proposed 18 indicators for monitoring the SDGs across all g7+ partner countries, with at least one indicator for each Goal, with the exception of Goal 13 at the moment. Once finalized, the agreed and final indicators will be published on the new online portal created to track the SDGs among the g7+ countries.

#### 7. Conclusion and Next Steps

This report has presented initial steps undertaken by Sierra Leone to adapt the SDGs in the country. We have made significant strides in this direction as highlighted above, which led to a proposed set of indicators (91 for now) to monitor the SDGs in Sierra Leone. The indicators will undergo further refining with the hope of having leaner set that will effectively capture the realities on the ground in terms of current and projected development of the country, and capability to report on the final indicators.

Thus, the following are among the next steps:

- a) Convene more technical consultations to refine the indicators.
- b) Follow up with key government institutions, especially the national statistical office, and nongovernmental organisations to pull out comprehensive baseline data and determine periodic SDGs targets over the course of 2016-2030. The current proposal is to do reporting for every 5 years, with projected targets.
- c) Prepare a national SDGs investment plan to determine what it will take in financial and institutional resources to achieve the SDGs in Sierra Leone by 2030.

## Annex 1:

## The SDGs and Sierra Leone's Agenda for Prosperity

The SDGs	The SDGs Target	Sierra Leone's Agenda for	Lead
		Prosperity	Actors/MDAs
Goal 1. End	Targets by 2030:	Lead Pillars:	MAFFS
poverty in all its	1.1 Eradicate extreme poverty		MFMR
forms everywhere	1.2 Reduce proportion of men, women & children in absolute poverty by at least 50 percent	Pillar 1: Diversified Economic	MoE
	1.3 Implement appropriate social protection systems & measures for all	Growth	MoHS
	1.4 All men and women, poor and the vulnerable, have equal rights to socioeconomic,	Pillar 3: Accelerating Human	MEST
	financial and technological resources	Development	MWR
	1.5 Build resilience of the poor & vulnerable, including reduction of their exposure to	Pillar 5: Labour and Employment	MLSS
	socioeconomic, environmental & all forms of threats, shocks & disaster	Pillar 6: Social Protection	MSWGCA
			MoFED
Goal 2. End	Targets by 2030:	Lead Pillar:	MAFFS
hunger, achieve	2.1 End hunger and ensure access to safe, nutritious and sufficient food all year round		
food security and	2.2 End all forms of malnutrition	Pillar 1: Diversified Economic	
improved nutrition	2.3 Double agricultural productivity and incomes of all types of small-scale food	Growth	
and promote	producers, supported by development services		
sustainable	2.4 Ensure sustainable food production systems and resilient agricultural practices		
agriculture	2.5 Maintain genetic diversity of seeds, cultivated plants, farmed & domesticated animals,		
	& related wild species, & promoting fair sharing of benefits from utilization of genetic		
	resources & traditional knowledge		
Goal 3. Ensure	Targets by 2030:	Lead Pillar:	MoHS
healthy lives and	3.1 Reduce global maternal mortality ratio to less than 70 per 100,000 live births;		NAC
promote well-	3.2 End preventable deaths of newborns and children under 5 years of age, while reducing	Pillar 3: Accelerating Human	
being for all at all ages	neonatal mortality to no more than 12 per 1,000 live births and under-5 mortality 25 per 1,000 live births;	Development	
8	3.3 End AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria & neglected tropical diseases, & combat hepatitis,		
	water-borne diseases & other communicable diseases;		
	3.4 Reduce by one third premature mortality from non-communicable diseases; & promote		
	mental health & well-being;		
	3.5 Strengthen prevention & treatment of substance abuse;		
	3.6 Halve number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents;		
	3.7 Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, & integrate		
	them into national strategies;		
	3.8 Achieve universal & quality health-care coverage and access, including financial risk		

#### Annex 1: The SDGs and Sierra Leone's Agenda for Prosperity

The SDGs	The SDGs Target	Sierra Leone's Agenda for Prosperity	Lead Actors/MDAs
Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well- being for all at all ages	<ul><li>protection.</li><li>3.9 Substantially reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination</li></ul>	<b>Lead Pillar:</b> Pillar 3: Accelerating Human Development	MoHS NAC
Goal 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>4.1 Ensure all girls and boys complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education;</li> <li>4.2 Ensure all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and pre-primary education;</li> <li>4.3 Ensure equal access for all women and men to affordable and quality technical, vocational and tertiary education.</li> <li>4.4 Substantially increase the number of youth and adults having relevant tec-voc skills;</li> <li>4.5 Eliminate gender disparities in education, and ensure equal access to all levels of education &amp; vocational training for the vulnerable;</li> <li>4.6 Ensure all youth &amp; a substantial proportion of adults, men &amp; women, achieve literacy and numeracy; &amp;</li> <li>4.7 Ensure all learners acquire the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development.</li> </ul>	Lead Pillar: Pillar 3: Accelerating Human Development	MEST
Goal 5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>5.1 End all forms of discrimination against all women and girls everywhere</li> <li>5.2 Eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls</li> <li>5.3 Eliminate all harmful practices, such as child, early and forced marriage &amp; female genital mutilation</li> <li>5.4 Recognize and value unpaid care &amp; domestic work through the provision of public services, infrastructure &amp; social protection policies &amp; the promotion of shared responsibility within the household and the family</li> <li>5.5 Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making</li> <li>5.6 Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights as agreed in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of their review conferences</li> </ul>	Lead Pillars: Pillar 7: Governance & Public Sector Reform Pillar 8: Gender & Women's Empowerment	MSWGCA MoHS

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Goal 6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>6.1 Achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all</li> <li>6.2 Achieve access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all</li> <li>6.3 Improve water quality, and halve the proportion of untreated wastewater and substantially increase recycling &amp; safe reuse</li> <li>6.4 Substantially increase water-use efficiency, ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of freshwater, &amp; substantially reduce the number of people suffering from water scarcity</li> <li>6.5 Implement integrated water resources management, including through transboundary cooperation as appropriate</li> <li>6.6 Protect &amp; restore water-related ecosystems, including mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers, aquifers &amp; lakes</li> </ul>	Lead Pillar: Pillar 3: Accelerating Human Development	MWR MoHS
Goal 7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>7.1 Ensure universal access to affordable, reliable and modern energy services;</li> <li>7.2 Increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix;</li> <li>7.3 Double the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency.</li> </ul>	<b>Lead Pillar:</b> Pillar 4: International Competitiveness	MoE
Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>8.1 Sustain per capita economic growth at not less than 7 percent annual GDP growth LDCs;</li> <li>8.2 Achieve higher levels of economic productivity, informed by labour-intensiveness &amp; other methods</li> <li>8.3 Promote development-oriented policies supporting productive activities, decent job creation, entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation, and encourage the formalization and growth of SMEs</li> <li>8.4 Improve global resource efficiency in consumption and production and endeavour to decouple economic growth from environmental degradation, in accordance with the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production</li> <li>8.5 Achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men</li> <li>8.6 Substantially reduce the proportion of youth not in employment, education or training</li> <li>8.7 Take immediate and effective measures to eradicate forced labour, end modern slavery and human trafficking, &amp; secure the prohibition and elimination of worst forms of child</li> </ul>	Lead Pillars: Pillar 1: Diversified Economic Growth Pillar 5: Labour and Employment	MAFFS MFMR MTCA MLSS MoFED

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Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all	<ul> <li>labour at work and in combat, by 2025</li> <li>8.8 Protect labour rights &amp; promote safe and secure working environ. for all workers, including all migrants</li> <li>8.9 Devise and implement policies to promote sustainable tourism, creating jobs &amp; promoting local culture &amp; products</li> <li>8.10 Strengthen capacity of domestic financial institutions to encourage and expand access to banking, insurance and financial services for all</li> </ul>	Lead Pillars: Pillar 1: Diversified Economic Growth Pillar 5: Labour and Employment	MAFFS MFMR MTCA MLSS MoFED
Goal 9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>9.1 Develop quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructure, including regional and transborder infrastructure</li> <li>9.2 Promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization, significantly raising industry's share of employment &amp; GDP, double its share LDCs</li> <li>9.3 Increase access of small-scale industrial and other enterprises to financial services</li> <li>9.4 Upgrade infrastructure and retrofit industries to make them sustainable</li> <li>9.5 Enhance scientific research, upgrade the technological capabilities of industrial sectors in all countries, in particular developing countries, including, by 2030, encouraging innovation and substantially increasing the number of research and development workers per 1 million people and public and private research and development spending</li> </ul>	<b>Lead Pillar:</b> Pillar 4: International Competitiveness	BSL MWHI MTI MEST
Goal 10. Reduce inequality within and among countries	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>10.1 Progressively achieve and sustain income growth of the bottom 40 percent of the population at a rate higher than the national average</li> <li>10.2 Empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all</li> <li>10.3 Ensure equal opportunity and reduce inequalities of outcome, eliminating discriminatory laws, policies and practices &amp; promoting appropriate legislation and policies</li> <li>10.4 Adopt policies, especially fiscal, wage and social protection policies, and progressively achieve greater equality</li> <li>10.5 Improve the regulation and monitoring of global financial markets and institutions and strengthen the implementation of such regulations</li> <li>10.6 Ensure enhanced representation and voice for developing countries in decision-making in global international economic and financial institutions</li> </ul>	Lead Pillars: Pillar 1: Diversified Economic Growth Pillar 3: Accelerating Human Dev. Pillar 5: Labour and Employment Pillar 6: Social Protection	MAFFS MFMR MEST MWR MoFED MLSS MSWGCA NaCSA MFAIC

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Goal 11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable	<ul> <li>10.7 Facilitate orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people</li> <li><b>Targets by 2030:</b></li> <li>11.1 Ensure access for all to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services and upgrade slums</li> <li>11.2 Provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all</li> <li>11.3 Enhance inclusive and sustainable urbanization and capacity for participatory, integrated and sustainable human settlement planning and management in all countries</li> <li>11.4 Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage</li> <li>11.5 Significantly reduce the number of deaths and the number of people affected and substantially decrease the direct economic losses relative to global gross domestic product caused by disasters</li> <li>11.6 Reduce the adverse per capita environmental impact of cities, including by paying special attention to air quality and municipal and other waste management</li> <li>11.7 Provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children, older persons and persons with disabilities</li> </ul>	Lead Pillars: Pillar 2: Managing Natural Resources Pillar 3: Accelerating Human Development	MLCPE MTA MoHS MTCA
Goal 12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>12.1 Implement the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns</li> <li>12.2 Achieve the sustainable management and efficient use of natural resources</li> <li>12.3 Halve per capita global food waste at the retail and consumer levels and reduce food losses along production and supply chains, including post-harvest losses</li> <li>12.4 Achieve the environmentally sound management of chemicals and all wastes throughout their life cycle, in accordance with agreed international frameworks, and significantly reduce their release to air, water and soil</li> <li>12.5 Substantially reduce waste generation through prevention, reduction, recycling and reuse</li> <li>12.6 Encourage companies, especially large and transnational companies, to adopt sustainable practices and to integrate sustainability information into their reporting cycle</li> <li>12.7 Promote public procurement practices that are sustainable, in accordance with national policies and priorities</li> <li>12.8 Ensure that people everywhere have the relevant information and awareness for sustainable development and lifestyles in harmony with nature</li> </ul>	Lead Pillar: Pillar 2: Managing Natural Resources	MAFFS MFMR MMMR MLCPE

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Goal 13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>13.1 Strengthen resilience and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards and natural disasters in all countries</li> <li>13.2 Integrate climate change measures into national policies, strategies and planning</li> <li>13.3 Improve education, awareness-raising and human and institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction and early warning</li> </ul>	Lead Pillar: Pillar 2: Managing Natural Resources	MLCPE EPA
Goal 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development	<ul> <li>Targets by 2030:</li> <li>14.1 Prevent and significantly reduce marine pollution of all kinds, in particular from landbased activities, including marine debris and nutrient pollution</li> <li>14.2 Sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems to avoid significant adverse impacts, strengthening their resilience, and take action for their restoration</li> <li>14.3 Minimize and address the impacts of ocean acidification, including through enhanced scientific cooperation at all levels</li> <li>14.4 Effectively regulate harvesting and end overfishing, illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and destructive fishing practices, and implement science-based management plans, restoring fish stocks in the shortest time feasible, at least to levels that can produce maximum sustainable yield</li> <li>14.5 Conserve at least 10 percent of coastal and marine areas, consistent with national and international law and based on the best available scientific information</li> <li>14.6 Prohibit certain forms of fisheries subsidies which contribute to overcapacity and overfishing, eliminate subsidies that contribute to illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and refrain from introducing new such subsidies</li> <li>14.7 Increase the economic benefits to small island developing States and least developed countries from the sustainable use of marine resources, including through sustainable management of fisheries, aquaculture and tourism</li> </ul>	Lead Pillar: Pillar 2: Managing Natural Res.	MFMR

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Goal 15. Protect,	Targets by 2030:	Lead Pillar:	SLEPA
restore and	15.1 Ensure the conservation, restoration and sustainable use of terrestrial and inland		MLCPE
promote	freshwater ecosystems and their services, in particular forests, wetlands, mountains	Pillar 2: Managing Natural Res.	MAFFS
sustainable use of	and dry lands, in line with obligations under international agreements		
terrestrial	15.2 Promote the implementation of sustainable management of all types of forests, halt		
ecosystems,	deforestation, restore degraded forests and substantially increase afforestation and		
sustainably	reforestation		
manage forests,	15.3 Combat desertification, restore degraded land and soil, including land affected by		
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desertification,	world		MLCPE
and halt and	15.5 Ensure the conservation of mountain ecosystems, including their biodiversity, in order	Pillar 2: Managing Natural Res.	MAFFS
reverse land	to enhance their capacity to provide benefits that are essential for sustainable		
degradation and	development		
halt biodiversity	15.6 Take urgent and significant action to reduce the degradation of natural habitats, halt		
loss	the loss of biodiversity and, by 2020, protect and prevent the extinction of threatened		
	species		
	15.7 Promote fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising from the utilization of		
	genetic resources and promote appropriate access to such resources, as internationally		
	agreed		
	15.8 Take urgent action to end poaching and trafficking of protected species of flora and		
	fauna and address both demand and supply of illegal wildlife products		
	15.9 Introduce measures to prevent the introduction and significantly reduce the impact of		
	invasive alien species on land and water ecosystems and control or eradicate the		
	priority species		
	15.10 Integrate ecosystem and biodiversity values into national and local planning,		
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Goal 16. Promote	Targets by 2030:	Lead Pillar:	MOJ
peaceful and	16.1 Significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere	Pillar 7: Governance & Public Sector	MSWGCA
inclusive societies	16.2 End abuse, exploitation, trafficking and all forms of violence against and torture of children		MIA
for sustainable		Reform	ACC
development, provide access to	16.3 Promote the rule of law at the national and international levels and ensure equal access to justice for all		
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build effective,	return of stolen assets and combat all forms of organized crime		
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The SDGs	The SDGs Target	Sierra Leone's Agenda for Prosperity	Lead Actors/MDAs
	17.12 Realize timely implementation of duty-free and quota-free market access on a lasting basis for all LDCs, consistent with WTO decisions		
	Systemic Issues		
	17.13 Enhance global macroeconomic stability through policy coordination, coherence, etc.		
	17.14 Enhance policy coherence for sustainable development		
	17.15 Respect each country's policy space/leadership to establish & implement policies for		
	poverty eradication and sustainable development	Lead Pillar:	MoFED
Goal 17.	17.16 Enhance the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development		MEST
Strengthen the	17.17 Encourage & promote effective PPP and civil society partnerships	Pillar 7: Governance & Public Sector	MTI
means of	Data, Monitoring and Accountability	Reform	SSL
implementation	17.18 By 2020, enhance capacity-building support to developing countries, including LDCs		
and revitalize the	towards availability of high-quality, timely, reliable & disaggregated data		
Global Partnership	17.19 By 2030, build on existing initiatives to develop measurements of progress on		
for Sustainable	sustainable development, complementing GDP, & support statistical capacity-building		
Development	in LDCs		

# Annex 2: Sierra Leone Specific SDGs Indicators

The SDGs	Sierra Leone Specific Indicators
Goal 1. End poverty in all its forms	1.1.1 Proportion of extremely poor population by national poverty line
	1.2.1 Proportion of national population in absolute poverty
	1.2.2 Proportion of male population in absolute poverty
	1.2.3 Proportion of female population in absolute poverty
Goal 2. End hunger, achieve food	2.1.1 Proportion of national population in food poverty
security and improved nutrition and	2.1.2 Proportion of male population in food poverty
promote sustainable agriculture	2.1.3 Proportion of female population in food poverty
	2.2.1 Proportion of under-5 children that are stunted
	2.2.1 Proportion of under-5 children that are underweight
	2.2.1 Proportion of under-5 children that are wasted
	2.3.1 Rate of national food self-sufficiency
Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives and	3.1.1 Maternal mortality ratio per 100,000 live births
promote well-being for all at all ages	3.2.1 Infant mortality ratio per 1,000 live births
	3.2.2 Under-5 mortality ratio per 1,000 live births
	3.3.1 Incidence of HIV/AIDS infections per 100 people aged 15-49
	3.3.2 Incidence of tuberculosis cases per 100,000 population
SDG 4- Ensure inclusive and equitable	4.1.1 Proportion of girls completing primary education
quality education and promote lifelong	4.1.2 Proportion of boys completing primary education
learning opportunities for all	4.1.3 Proportion of girls completing junior secondary education
	4.1.4 Proportion of boys completing junior secondary education
	4.1.5 Proportion of girls completing senior secondary education
	4.1.6 Proportion of boys completing senior secondary education
	4.2.1 Net pre-primary school enrolment rate
	4.2.2 Net primary school enrolment rate
	4.2.3 Net junior secondary school enrolment rate
	4.5.1 Ratio of girls to boys in primary education
	4.5.2 Ratio of girls to boys in junior secondary education
	4.5.3 Ratio of girls to boys in senior secondary education

The SDGs	Sierra Leone Specific Indicators
SDG 4- Ensure inclusive and equitable	
quality education and promote lifelong	4.5.4 Ratio of girls to boys in technical-vocational training
learning opportunities for all	4.5.5 Proportion of disabled persons 'in primary school age' enrolled in primary education
	4.5.6 Proportion of disabled persons 'in secondary school age' enrolled in secondary education
	4.5.7 Proportion of disabled persons (aged 15 and above) enrolled in technical-vocational training
	4.6.1 Adult literacy rate (aged 15-24) that can read and right
	4.6.2 Literacy rate among youth (aged 15-34)
Goal 5. Achieve gender equality and	5.1.1 Proportion of women (aged 15-49) taking part in major household decisions
empower all women and girls	5.3.1 Proportion of women aged 20-45 married by age 18
	5.4.1 Proportion of women aged 15-49 with secondary and higher education
	5.4.2 Share of women employed for cash in total number employed in non-agricultural activities
	5.5.1 Proportion of seats held by women in national parliament
	5.5.2 Proportion of women in Grade 7 and above in the national civil service
Goal 6. Ensure availability and	6.1.1 Proportion of population with access to improved drinking water source
sustainable management of water and	6.2.1 Proportion of population with access to improved sanitation and hygiene
Goal 7. Ensure access to affordable,	7.1.1 Proportion of households with access to electricity supply (national grid)
reliable, sustainable and modern	7.2.1 Proportion of hydro-power to total energy supply
energy for all	7.2.2 Proportion of other renewable energy use (solar, biomass, etc.) to total energy supply
	7.2.2 Proportion of overall renewable energy use (hydro, solar, biomass etc.) to total energy supply
	7.3.1 Proportion of technical loss in energy production
	7.3.2 Proportion of financial loss in energy production
Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive	8.1 Rate of per capital economic growth
and sustainable economic growth, full	8.2.1 Rate of national unemployment
and productive employment and decent	8.2.2 Proportion of youth (aged 15-34) in gainful wage employment
work for all	8.3.1 Ratio of formal to informal SME's in the country
	8.3.2 Proportion of SMEs accessing loans from financial institutions
	8.5.1 Proportion of skilled labor force to the total labor force
	8.6.2 Proportion of youth with secondary or higher education
	8.6.3 Proportion of youth with no formal education but with vocational training
	8.9.1 Annual growth of employment in the tourism sector

The SDGs	Sierra Leone Specific Indicators
	8.9.2 Ratio of revenue from tourism sector to GDP
Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive	8.10.1 Proportion of farm holdings accessing loans in the last 12 months
and sustainable economic growth, full	8.10.2 Proportion of total formal loans disbursed to rural sector
and productive employment and decent	
work for all	
Goal 9. Build resilient infrastructure,	9.1.1 Proportion of total national road network that is asphalted (all weather trunk roads)
promote inclusive and sustainable	9.2.1 Share of manufacturing in total employment
industrialization and foster innovation	9.2.2 Share of manufacturing in total GDP
Goal 10. Reduce inequality within and	10.1.1 Share of food expenditure in total consumption of the bottom 40% household income earners
among countries	10.1.2 Share of income of the bottom 40% income earners in total household income
Goal 11. Make cities and human	11.1.1 Proportion of population living in slum communities
settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable	11.5.1 Proportion of population living in disaster prone areas
Goal 12. Ensure sustainable	12.3.1 Proportion of post-harvest losses in agricultural food production
consumption and production patterns	12.4.1 Number of relevant environmental treaties and policies domesticated and reported on
Goal 13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts	13.1.1 Proportion of population aware of climate-related hazards & consequences of natural disasters
Goal 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development	14.5.1 Proportion of national coastal area under effective conservation and monitoring
Goal 15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss	15.2.1 Rate of deforestation

The SDGs	Sierra Leone Specific Indicators
16. Promote peaceful and inclusive	16.1.1 Proportion of deaths relating to violence and related activities
societies for sustainable development,	16.2.1 Proportion of court cases relating to child abuse, exploitation, trafficking & violence
provide access to justice for all and	16.3.1 Ratio of inmates on remand to total inmates in prison
build effective, accountable and	16.4.1 Annual growth rate of prosecuted organized crimes
inclusive institutions at all levels	16.5.1 Corruption perception index
Goal 17. Strengthen the means of	17.1.1 Total Domestic Revenues as % of GDP
implementation and revitalize the	17.8.1 Proportion of total households under Mobile Cellular coverage
Global Partnership for Sustainable	17.8.2 Mobile Cellular Subscribers per 100 inhabitants
Development	17.8.3 Internet Users per 100 Inhabitants
	17.9.1 Proportion of personnel from Grade 7 and above in the Civil Service
	17.11.1 Ratio of total exports to GDP
	17.11.2 Share of value added manufacturing in total merchandise exports
	17.13.1 Rate of inflation
	17.13.2 Growth rate in international reserves
	17.13.3 Public debt to GDP ratio
	17 15.1 Proportion of external funding recorded in the national budget
	17.15.2 Proportion of country public financial management systems used by donors
	17.18.1 Share of national development expenditure devoted to development of national statistical and
	monitoring and evaluation systems
	17.18.2 Proportion of external assistance towards development of national statistical and monitoring and
	evaluation systems