MDG EXPERIENCES FOR SDG TRANSITION

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BHUTAN MDG STATUS

• EITHER ACHIEVED OR ON TRACK TO ACHIEVE THE MDG GOALS AND TARGETS

• ONLY FEW TARGETS REMAIN OF CONCERN (HIV Youth Unemployment, Ratio of Females to Males in Tertiary Institutes, Underweight)
SUCCESS ATTRIBUTES

• POLITICAL WILL AND GOOD GOVERNANCE

• ALIGNMENT /HARMONY OF GLOBAL (MDG) GOALS AND NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT GOALS (GNH)

• SUPPORTIVE POLICY ENVIRONMENT
# MDG AND GNH: SYNERGIES

## Key GNH Pillars and Domains of GNH

### The Four Pillars of GNH

1. **Sustainable & Equitable Socio-Economic Development**
   - Encompasses virtually all of the MDGs but particularly relevant to Goal 1 pertaining to eradication of extreme poverty and hunger

2. **Conservation of Environment**
   - Goal 7 pertaining to environmental sustainability

3. **Preservation and promotion of Culture**
   - No direct corresponding MDGs but strong linkages with environmental sustainability, health and education MDGs

4. **Good Governance**
   - Good governance widely recognized to be critical for achievement of MDGs

## The GNH Domains

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<th>Education</th>
<th>Goals 2 and 3 pertaining to achieving universal primary education and promoting gender equality</th>
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<td>Health</td>
<td>Goals 4, 5 and 6 pertaining to reducing child mortality, improving maternal health and combating HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases</td>
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<td>Goal 1 pertaining to eradicating extreme poverty and hunger and Goal 7 for targets relating to household access to secure tenure</td>
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SUCCESS ATTRIBUTES

• NATIONAL MDG TASK FORCE
• INTEGRATION INTO NATIONAL PLANNING FRAMEWORK
• MAINSTREAMING MDG GOALS AND TARGETS INTO NATIONAL TARGETS
• PUBLIC INFORMATION AND ADVOCACY
CHALLENGES

• RESOURCES: SUSTAINING THE FINANCING

• GEOGRAPHICAL CHALLENGES

• INSTITUTIONAL AND HUMAN CAPACITY
CHALLENGES

• YOUTHFUL POPULATION

• MONITORING and EVALUATION: DATA ISSUES

• PARTNERSHIP: RHETORIC VS ACTION
RECOMMENDATION ON CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT AND PARTNERSHIP

• STRENGTHEN NATIONAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTION: (VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL INTEGRATION)

• HARMONISATION OF MONITORING AND EVALUATION SYSTEM
RECOMMENDATION ON CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT AND PARTNERSHIP

• IMPROVE DATA COLLECTION, ANALYSIS AND DISSEMINATION

• LDCS NEEDS SUPPORT FOR BUILDING THE PRODUCTIVE CAPACITY TO BECOME ECONOMICALLY SELF-RELYING

• UNTIE ODA: BUDGETARY SUPPORT
KEY TRANSFORMATIVE INITIATIVES IN BHUTAN

• NATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAMME
• REAP: RURAL ECONOMIC ALLEVIATION PROGRAMME
• THPP: TARGETTED HOUSEHOLD POVERTY REDUCTION PROGRAMME
• SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT: EV INITIATIVE