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Protecting and Advancing Human Wellbeing and Ending Poverty
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Chair,
Excellencies,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Allow me to share Indonesia’s SDGs experiences in protecting and advancing human wellbeing and ending poverty:

• Human well-being and development are Indonesia’s development priorities, although we still face some challenges.
• Indonesia has decreased its poverty rate from 14.15% in 2009 to 9.22% in 2019, which is for the first time in our history down to single digit. Access to education has also improved at all levels of education, for both the male and female population.
• These achievements were supported by policies such as cash transfer program (Program Keluarga Harapan/ PKH), Smart Indonesia Program (Program Indonesia Pintar) and development of integrated database system (Basis Data Terpadu /BDT).
• The Ministry of National Development Planning/BAPPENAS estimates that the number of people living below the national poverty line will increase with an additional 1.32% or 3.63 million people due to the COVID-19 crisis.
• In response, the Government of Indonesia is committed to reform its social system as well as prioritizing and enhancing its efforts to improve human well-being and ending poverty, including:
  o Launching economic stimulus policy and improving social safety net programs.
  o Broadening and enhancing social protection measures to ensure basic needs are met.
  o Enhancing data collection and analysis for better scientific information and evidence-based planning and implementation.
  o Building partnership and cooperation with all stakeholders, including private sector, philanthropy, academia, and civil society.

Thank you.

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