

MAKING SUSTAINABILITY THE NEXT METRIC

Post 2015 Development Agenda

South Asian Challenges

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The Current MDGs – In South Asia

Reduce Extreme poverty by Half Goal 1 Reduce Hunger by half Productive and decent employment Goal 2 Universal Primary Schooling Goal 3 Equal Girl's enrolment in Primary Schools Women's share of paid employment Women's equal representation in national parliaments Goal 4 Reduce mortality of under 5 year olds by two thirds Goal 5 Reduce maternal mortality by ³/₄ Access to reproductive health Halt and begin to reverse the spread of HIV/AIDS Goal 6 Halt and reverse the spread of TB ¹/₂ proportion of population w/o improved drinking water Goal 7 ¹/₂ proportion of population without sanitation Improve the lives of slum dwellers Goal 8 Internet Users

Progress Insufficient for 2015

Target on track for 2015

Very High Poverty Very High Hunger Very large deficit Very High Enrolment parity Low share Low representation Moderate mortality **High mortality** Moderate access Low Incidence Moderate mortality High coverage Very low coverage **High proportion** Moderate users Source: MDG

report 2013

No Progress/deterioration

the Current MDGs

- The current MDGs can be seen to have set the base
 o with narrow focus on basics human development
 income, drinking water, basic education etc
- They were measurable hence progress could be calculated
- MDGs concerted development efforts and have achieved a step up – globally
- Offered a shared and integrated framework to be used to implement and measure development

The Current MDGs Concerns

- One size fits all targets
 - Same starting point for all
 - Cannot address non-linearities costs/conditions
- Concentrated on aggregates
 - Not addressing national achievements
 - Data issues reliability, global and local data discrepancies
- Detached from rights based approach (including the MD)
 - Gaps in inequality both within and among countries
 - Not enough direct attention on marginalization of groups
- Output/Target driven, not addressing structural issues
- Was not suited to deal with environmental issues
- Weakest link– global partnerships

Challenges in the Post 2015

Leave no one behind

Requires a multi-dimensional approach (beyond \$)

 Must address asymmetries in access to knowledge and information, resources (esp. land, fisheries) services, opportunities for decent jobs and participation

In terms of monetary – more ambitious than \$1.25 dollars

- A stronger rights based approach needed
 - emphasize non-discrimination in all goals
 - Access and Quality for wellbeing
 - Must address group based inequalities gender, age, caste, disability status, race, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, privileging of some (e.g. corporate vs citizens)
 - Better re-distribution benefits direct targeting

Protecting the "future" should get greater prominence
 Disaggregated data is a must – local capacity is needed

 Transforming economies and achieving Sustainable development

- Not enough to emphasize on "transforming" the status quo of economic growth – this will only buy time
 - Need to incorporate "limits" of natural resources/systems
 the ecological dimension to growth/development
 - People centered growth and sharing of benefits
 - Need for ecological and social measures for eco. growth
 - In view of limited resources, addressing the high end of the consumption spectrum is vital
 - This requires differentiated growth targets and better distribution within and among countries
 - Switching to sustainable production and consumption
 - Creating demand for sustainable products and services.
- Transforming energy sources and use of energy is vital

