

# Governance and Accountability

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# Broad outcomes

- Four broad outcomes
  - Good governance and rule of law
  - Accountability of leaders and public servants
  - Democracy, and political and social tolerance
  - Peace, political stability, national unity and social cohesion deepened

# Cluster Goals

- Seven cluster goals assessed against nationally agreed indicators
  - Structures and systems of governance as well as rule of law be democratic-participatory, representative etc.
  - Equitable allocation of public resources with corruption effectively addressed
  - Effective public service framework in place for service delivery improvement and poverty reduction
  - Rights of poor and vulnerable groups protected
  - Reduction of political and social exclusion
  - Improve security
  - National cultural identities enhanced and promoted

# G1: Structures and systems of governance; rule of law; democracy; participation etc

- 15% of children registered at birth and 6% issued birth certificates;
  - Trend decreases
  - Regional disparities high
- High improvement in gender equity and empowerment of women
- Transparency and accountability in LGAs
  - Improved-posting financial information publicly
  - , BUT limited understanding among citizens

# G 2: Equitable allocation;

## corruption effectively addressed

- Revenue collection-nominal terms improved
  - Last few years affected by financial crisis
  - Foreign dependence still high
- Public procurement
  - Average compliance improved: 39% ('6/7) to 73% ('9/10)
  - Disparities exists among entities
- Audits of Central and LG
  - Improvements in clean reports
  - BUT limited implementation of recommendations
- Positive trend in control of corruption, though still a serious challenge

# G 3: Effective public service framework for service delivery

- No new data available: From Afrobarometer;
  - High satisfaction in education and health (81% and 64% respectively)
  - Water supply remains a challenge (42%)
    - Current data to be obtained from Afrobarometer and VoP 2012
- **G4: Rights of poor and vulnerable protected**
  - Cases pending declined: 26% ('09)-23%('08)
  - Prisoners declined: 40,066 ('08)-37,421 ('11)
    - Though prisoners population still exceeds capacity
  - Less than 23% of juveniles are in juvenile remand homes

# G5: Reduction of political and social exclusion and intolerance

- Complainants received by CHRGG decreased from 4,948 ('06/07)-1,355 ('10/11)
  - Much of the decrease associated with lack of awareness
- G6: Improve personal and material security
- Average No of inmates in detention facilities improving
  - Still prisons population is 145% of authorised capacity

# G6: Improve personal and material security (cont)

- # of criminal cases reported fluctuated significantly
  - Crime reported by police different from crime cases reported in courts
    - Could police handle crime cases?
- Sexual abuse
  - Among women increased recently
    - Awareness increase may have contributed to trend
  - Among children still high for both girls and boys
  - Overall, 33% of all women 15-49 years experienced violence act
    - **BUT**, More than 50% of male justifies beating of wife

# Conclusions and Policy Implication

- Principles of democracy, transparent and accountability enhanced
  - Simplification in documentation necessary
- Taxation and regulation in procurement improving
  - Need to bridge entity disparities
- Efforts to fight corruption needs speed up
- Need to speed up settlement of cases as well as to improve capacity of prisons
- The rights of children and women be protected

- Thank you for listening