



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY BOARD

**PSA Resolution No. 11
Series of 2019**

**APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE
NATIONAL DATA FLOW AND REPORTING MECHANISM (NDFRM)
OF THE PHILIPPINE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS INDICATORS**

WHEREAS, in September 2015, the United Nations (UN) Member States, including the Philippines, adopted a new global plan of action entitled, "Transforming Our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development," which states that the countries will develop indicators at the national and sub-national levels to complement the global indicators;

WHEREAS, during the 49th Session of the United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC), UN member states discussed the Guidelines on Global Data Flow and Reporting Mechanism for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) prepared by the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goals Indicators (IAEG-SDGs);

WHEREAS, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Board enjoined all concerned government instrumentalities to provide the necessary data support to monitor the country's performance vis-à-vis the SDGs based on the identified Philippine SDG indicators through the PSA Board Resolution No. 04 Series of 2016, "Enjoining Government Agencies to Provide Data Support to the Sustainable Development Goals";

WHEREAS, the PSA Board approved and adopted the Initial List of Sustainable Development Goals Indicators for Monitoring in the Philippines through the PSA Board Resolution No. 09 Series of 2017, which contains 155 indicators, of which 102 are global indicators, 28 proxy indicators and 25 supplemental indicators;

WHEREAS, the PSA SDG Team was established, through PSA Special Order No. 2017-02NS-0329, to carry out expeditiously the responsibilities as the official repository of SDG indicators in the Philippines and to promote an efficient and effective implementation of activities for the SDGs at the Philippine Statistical System (PSS);

WHEREAS, the PSA, as the official repository and coordinator of the PSS, will develop a NDFRM for the PSS as guided by the global data flow and reporting mechanism to establish strong data support and efficient flow of information and reporting of the Philippine SDG indicators;

WHEREAS, the NDFRM was presented in three (3) meetings of the Philippine SDGI Focal Points (SDGI-FP) starting 07 May 2018, the latest of which was in 22 January 2019 and a referendum for approval was sent on 09 July 2019 to all 34 members of the SDGI-FP;

WHEREAS, the NDFRM for the PSS ensures that high quality and internationally comparable data and statistics that are used in the SDGI monitoring will be achieved by sharing data and metadata including all adjustments or revisions in the estimates, and serve as guide to the PSA, agency data sources and other SDGI stakeholders on how they can better collaborate and coordinate to improve the transmission, validation, and communication of data and statistics for SDG indicators;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the NDFRM of the Philippine Sustainable Development Goals Indicators as shown in Annex BR 10-20190813-01A, Annex BR10-20190813-01B and Annex BR 10-20190813-01C and its corresponding Guidelines as shown in Annex BR 10-20190813-02.

RESOLVED FURTHER that:

- The PSA shall:
 - coordinate with all concerned Agency Data Sources (ADS) to regularly provide timely and accurate statistics and indicators for the SDGs;
 - compile and maintain an SDG Indicators Database and regularly update the SDG Watch;
 - establish SDGI data exchange and reporting platform that is linked to existing web-based SDG information systems;
 - facilitate on discussion of methodological issues and developments through existing statistical coordination mechanisms such as the PSA sectoral/subject-matter interagency committees;
 - ensure coordination of information exchange on SDG indicators from the national data source agencies to the international agencies;
 - promoting substantive discussion on statistical capacity building and coordinating quality assurance activities within the Philippine Statistical System;
- The Philippine SDGI-FP composed of permanent and alternate members from the different ADS shall be formally established;
- The ADS through the SDGI-FP member shall:
 - provide the necessary data support to compile and disseminate the Philippine SDG indicators;
 - ensure coordination of information exchange on SDG indicators within the Agency Source at the Department level, including its line agencies/bureaus; and
 - provide inputs and assist in facilitating on methodological developments and responding to SDGI-related questionnaires and surveys, in accordance with the approved data flow and reporting mechanism.

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RESOLVED FURTHER that the Philippine SDG Data Flow and Reporting Mechanism shall be reviewed as may be deemed necessary.

Approved this 13th day of August 2019, in Pasig City.



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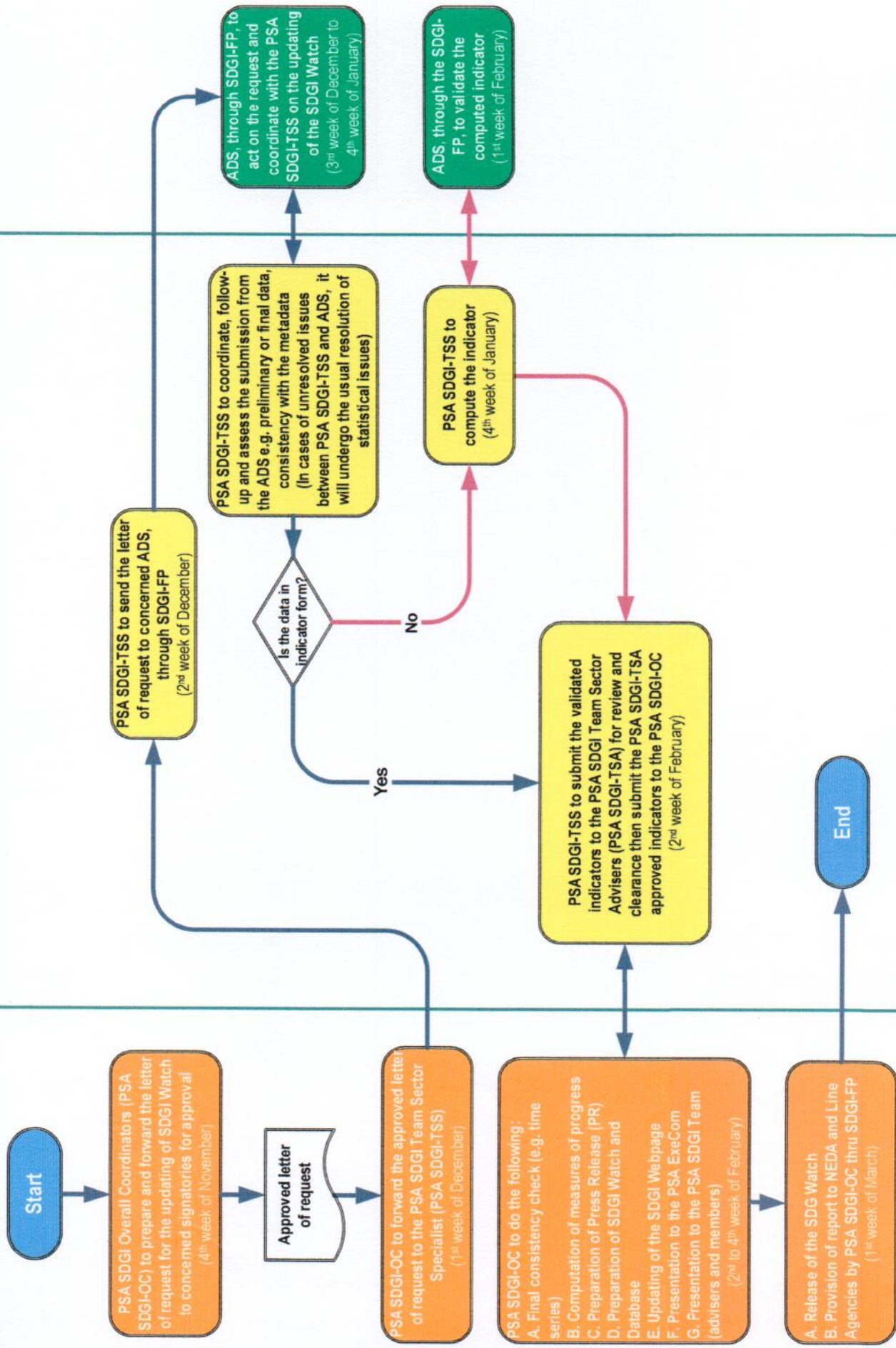
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A. PROCESS FLOWCHART FOR THE NATIONAL SDG INDICATORS (SDGI) MONITORING

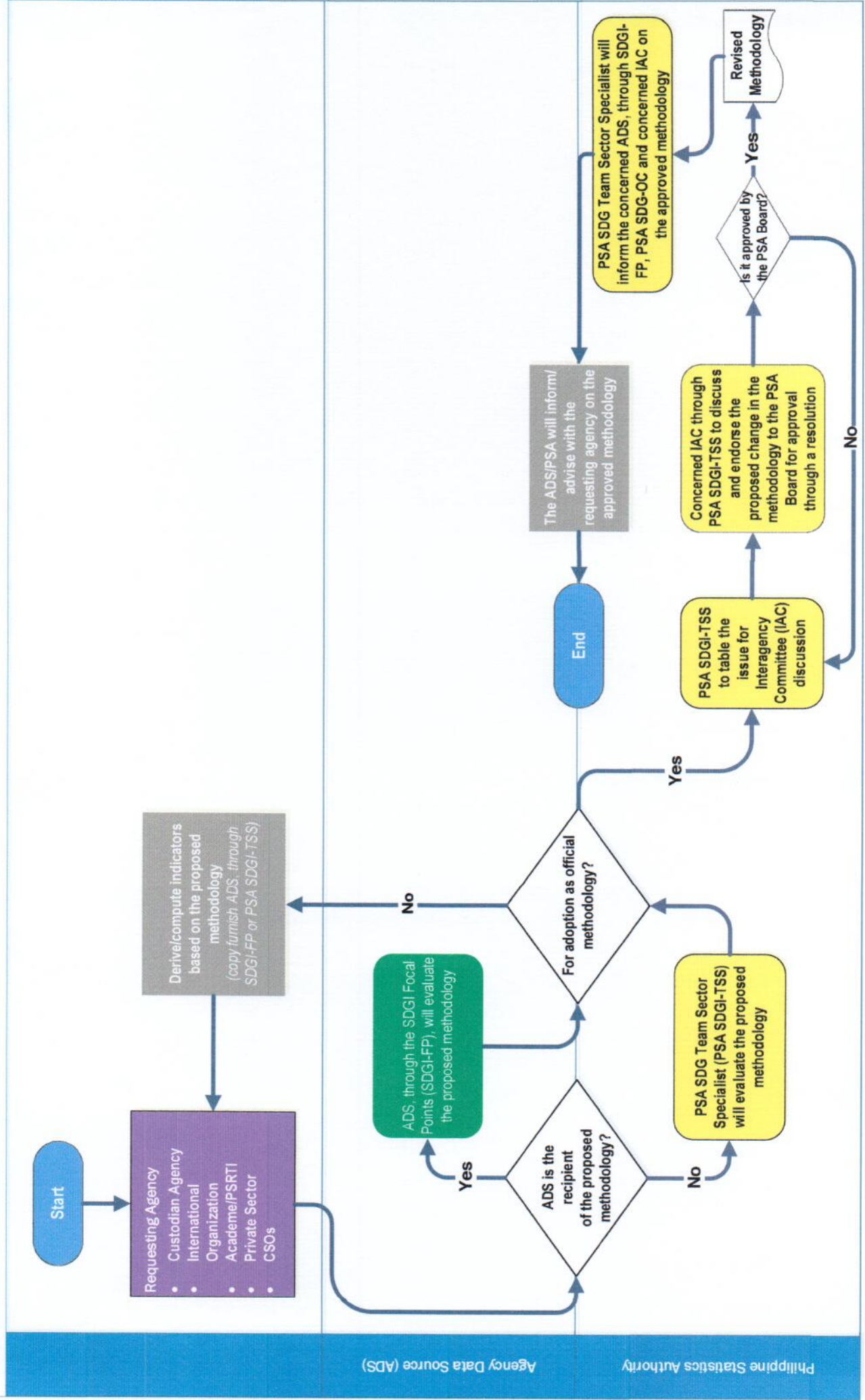


PSA SDGI Team Overall Coordinators (PSA SDGI-OC)

PSA SDG Team Sector Specialists and Advisers (PSA SDGI-TSS/TSA)

Agency Data Source (ADS), through the SDGI Focal Points (SDGI-FP)

B. METHODOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS ON THE SDG INDICATORS



Agency Data Source (ADS)

Philippine Statistics Authority

PSA SDG Team Sector Specialist (PSA SDGI-TSS)

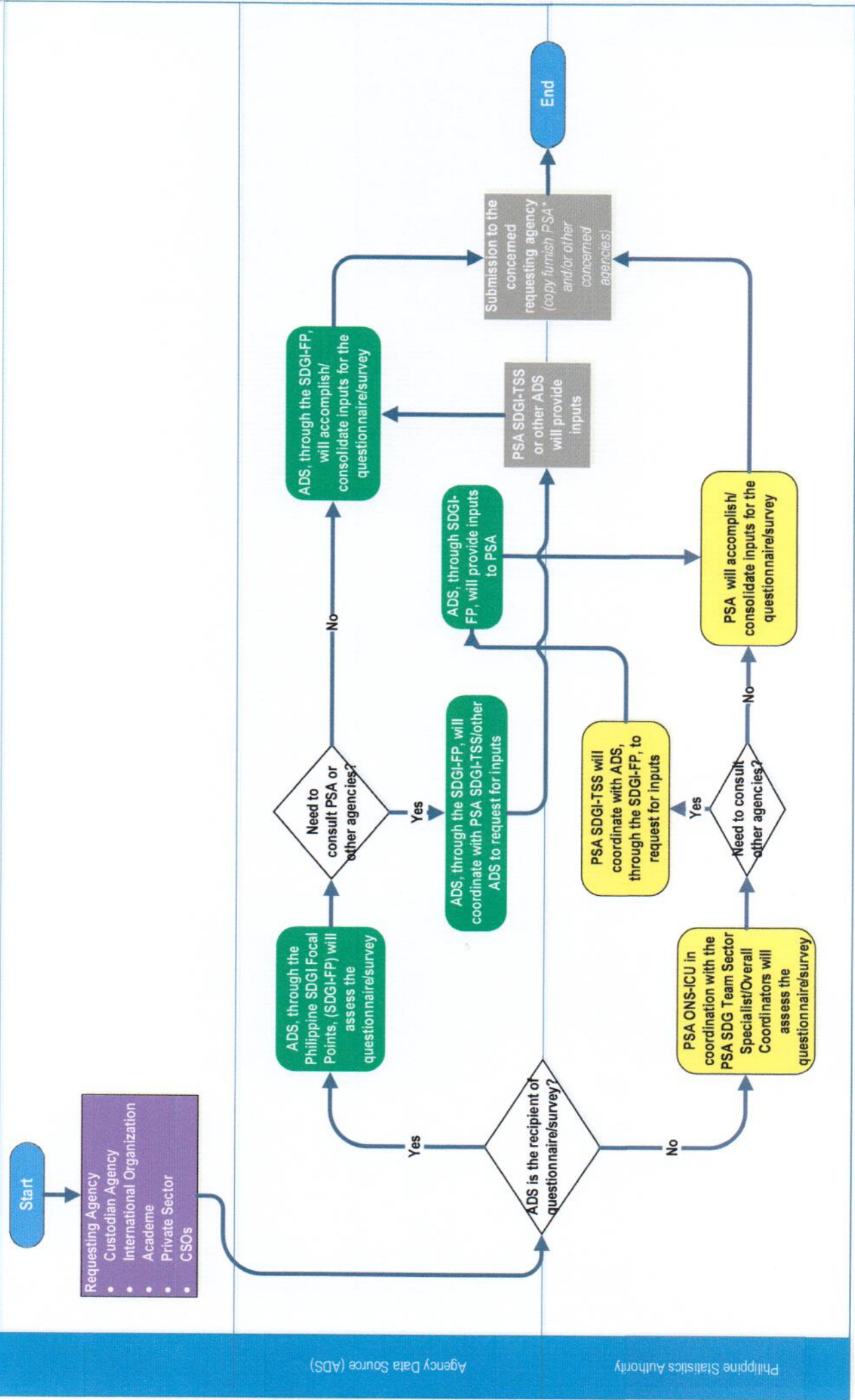
Agency Data Source (ADS), through, SDGI Focal Points (SDGI-FP)

Requesting Agency

Multi-sectoral concern



C. RESPONDING TO SDGI-RELATED QUESTIONNAIRES/SURVEYS



Requesting Agency
 Agency Data Source (ADS), through, SDGI Focal Points (SDGI-FP)
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 PSA SDGI Team Sector Specialist (PSA SDGI-TSS) / Overall Coordinators (PSA SDGI-OC)
 Multi-sectoral concern
 Requesting Agency
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*send to email of the respective PSA SDG Team Sector Specialist and sdg@psa.gov.ph

Guidelines on the National Data Flow and Reporting Mechanism of the Philippine Sustainable Development Goals Indicators (SDGI)
(As of 30 July 2019)

Background

During the 49th United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC), member states discussed the Guidelines^{1/} on Data Flows and Global Data reporting for the SDGs prepared by the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs). The main objective of the document was “to develop detailed guidelines of how custodian agencies and countries can work together to contribute to the data flows necessary to have harmonized statistics”.

Furthermore, there is a need to ensure high quality and internationally comparable data and statistics with clear metadata for global reporting. It was also emphasized that the global review will be primarily based on official statistics and data from the national statistical system (NSS).

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), as the official repository and coordinator of the Philippine Statistical System (PSS), will develop a Philippine SDG Indicators Data and Reporting Flow (PSDGIDRF) for the Philippine Statistical System guided by the global data flow. The PSDGIDRF will be consulted to the Philippine SDG Indicators Focal Points (SDGI-FP) to establish strong data support and efficient flow of information and reporting of the Philippine SDG indicators. The SDGI-FP is composed of Permanent and Alternate Focal Points (SDGI-PFP/AFP) for each of the agency data source (ADS).

To ensure that no one will be left behind, data source agencies are enjoined to provide relevant data/information for each of the SDG indicators at the required level/s of disaggregation which will be requested in a reasonable timeframe.

The PSDGIDRF reporting mechanism will be published through the SDGI Watch which will contain information on the baseline data, target data, latest data, pace of progress and source of data for each of the Philippine SDG indicators.

A. Guiding Principles

- 1.) To ensure that high quality and internationally comparable data and statistics are used in the SDGI monitoring, there is a need to share data and metadata including all adjustments or revisions of the estimates;
- 2.) To serve as a guide to the PSA, ADS and other users of SDGI statistics on how they can better collaborate and coordinate to improve the transmission, validation and communication of data and statistics for SDG indicators; and
- 3.) The data and reporting flow should be fully consulted, agreed and approved by the relevant actors.

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1/ Background document of the 49th UN Statistical Commission (<https://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/49th-session/documents/BG-Item-3a-IAEG-SDGs-DataFlowsGuidelines-E.pdf>)

B. Process Flows

There are three process flows that were included in this narrative guideline; a.) Flow for the national SDGI monitoring, b.) Methodological developments on the SDG indicators and c.) Responding to various SDG-related questionnaires/surveys from international custodian agencies, private, international organizations, private sector and CSOs.

a) Process Flow for the National SDGI Monitoring

- I. PSA SDGI Team overall coordinators (PSA SDGI-OC) will prepare and forward the letter of request for the updating of the SDGI Watch to concerned signatories for approval. The letter will be addressed to the head of the agency and attention to the SDGI-PFP. The letter of request will be signed by the PSA National Statistician or Officer-In-Charge.
- II. PSA SDGI-OC will forward the approved letter of request to the concerned PSA SDGI Team Sector Specialist (PSA SDGI-TSS).
- III. PSA SDGI-TSS will send the letter of request to concerned ADS, through the SDGI-FP
- IV. ADS, through the SDGI-FP will act on the request and coordinate with their respective PSA SDGI-TSS for the updating of the SDGI Watch within a reasonable timeframe of seven (7) weeks.
- V. PSA SDGI-TSS will coordinate, follow-up and assess the submission from the ADS (e.g. preliminary/final data, consistency with the metadata). In cases of unresolved issues between PSA SDGI-TSS and ADS, through the SDGI-FP, it will undergo the usual resolution of statistical issues goes through the discussion in the IAC and ends with the approval of the PSA Board.
 - i. If the data is already in indicator form, the PSA SDGI-TSS will validate the indicator/s through consistency checking and submit the validated indicator/s to the PSA SDGI Team Sector Adviser (PSA SDGI-TSA) for review and give clearance/approval for submission to the PSA SDGI-OC.
 - ii. If data not yet in indicator form, but it is still an input, that is, either a numerator or denominator to the computation of the SDG indicator, the PSA SDGI-TSS will compute the indicator and coordinate with the ADS for the validation of the computed indicator. The PSA SDGI-TSA will review and give clearance/approval for submission to the PSA SDGI-OC.

An example of an input data is the SDG indicator "13.1.1 Number of deaths, missing persons and directly affected persons attributed to disasters per 100,000 population" wherein ADS could only provide the number of deaths and not yet per 100,000 population. Thus, the concerned PSA SDGI-TSS will derive the indicator by utilizing population projection released by PSA.

Non-approval/response from the ADS means that there will be no update for their concerned SDG indicators.

- VI. The PSA SDGI-OC will do the following:
 - A. Final consistency check (e.g. time series);
 - B. Computation of measures of progress;
 - C. Preparation of press release;

- D. Preparation of the SDGI Watch and Database;
- E. Updating of the SDGI webpage;
- F. Presentation to the PSA Executive Committee; and
- G. Presentation to the SDGI Team (advisers and members)

VII. Press release on the updated SDGI Watch will be posted.

VIII. Similar with the case of the MDGs, the updated SDGI watch will be submitted to NEDA for monitoring and reporting and to the ADS, through the SDGI-FPs.

Timeline for the updating of the SDGI Watch

The updating of the SDGI Watch is scheduled from 1st week of November to 1st week of March of the succeeding year.

Activity	Timeline		Lead
	Start	End	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation and approval of letter of request • Forwarding to the PSA SDGI-TSS 	1 st week of November	2 nd week of November	PSA SDGI-OC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sending of letter of request to the ADS 	2 nd week of November	2 nd week of November	PSA SDGI-TSS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission of updated data from the ADS 	3 rd week of November	1 st week of January	ADS through SDGI-FP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computation of data to indicator form 	2 nd week of January	2 nd week of January	PSA SDGI-TSS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consistency checking of the PSA SDGI-TSS • Review/clearance from the PSA SDGI-TSA 	3 rd week of January	4 th week of January	PSA SDGI-TSS and PSA SDGI-TSA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final consistency check; • Computation of measures of progress; • Preparation of Press Release; • Preparation of SDGI Watch and SDGI database; • Updating of SDG Webpage; • Presentation to the PSA SDG Team 	1 st week of February	4 th week of February	PSA SDGI-OC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1. Release of the updated SDGI Watch • 2. Submission to NEDA and ADS through SDGI-FPs 	1 st week of March	1 st week of March	PSA SDGI-OC

b) Methodological developments on the SDG indicators

The international custodian agencies, academe, Philippine Statistical Research and Training Institute, private, and civil society organizations (CSOs) will coordinate their proposed methodology, specifically for Tier 2 and 3 SDG indicators, to the concerned ADS or PSA.

- I. The ADS or PSA, through the SDGI-FPs, will **evaluate the proposed methodology** of the requesting agency whether it is ready for adoption in the country as official methodology with respect to its feasibility and sustainability of the proposed methodology. The requesting agency and the ADS or PSA will agree on a reasonable timeframe to provide inputs.

- i. If the proposed methodology is not yet ready for adoption as official methodology to produce official statistics, the ADS/PSA will derive/compute the indicator based on the proposed methodology in coordination with the requesting agency. Some examples of this modality were: the pilot module of WASH and wastewater in the Annual Poverty Indicators Survey (APIS) 2017 proposed by UN WHO; and the Evidence and Data for Gender Equality (EDGE) pilot survey conducted in Cavite that was proposed by the UN Statistics Division and ADB.
- ii. If the proposed methodology is ready for adoption to produce official statistics:
 1. PSA SDGI-TSS will table the issue for discussion in the concerned IAC;
 2. The IAC will discuss and endorse the proposed methodology for approval of the PSA Board.
 3. Upon approval of the methodology by the PSA Board, the PSA SDGI-TSS will inform the ADS, through the SDGI-FP, PSA SDGI-OC and the members of the IAC on the approval of the Board Resolution.
 4. The ADS or PSA will coordinate with the requesting agency on the approved methodology including the metadata. The assigned PSA SDG Team sector specialist or the SDGI-FP should be copied/informed in the submission of any SDG related inputs to the requesting agency.

The timeline of activities including the request for inputs for the PSA/other ADS will vary depending on the deadline of the requesting agency.

c) Responding to various SDG-related questionnaires/surveys from international custodian agencies, private, international organizations, private sector and CSOs.

- I. If the questionnaire/survey was provided to the PSA by the requesting agency, the International Cooperation Unit of the PSA in coordination with the PSA SDGI-TSS and PSA SDGI-OC will assess the questionnaire/survey.
 - i. If there is a need to consult the ADS,
 1. the PSA SDGI-TSS will coordinate to ADS through the SDGI-FP and will request for inputs within a reasonable timeframe, considering the deadline of the requesting agency;
 2. The ADS, through the SDGI-FP, will provide inputs to PSA;
 3. The PSA SDGI-TSS will accomplish/consolidate inputs for the questionnaire/survey; and
 4. Submit to the requesting agency copy furnish the concerned ADS.
 - ii. If there is no need to consult other agencies:
 1. The PSA SDG Team sector specialist will accomplish the questionnaire/survey; and
 2. Submit to the requesting agency copy furnish the concerned ADS.
- II. If the questionnaire/survey was provided to the ADS by the requesting agency, the SDGI-FPs will assess whether there is a need to consult or request for inputs from PSA or other data source agencies

- i. If there is a need to consult the PSA or other data source agencies:
 1. ADS through the SDGI-FP will coordinate through their respective PSA SDGI-TSS or SDGI-FP counterparts from the other agencies and will request inputs within a reasonable timeframe, considering the deadline of the requesting agency;
 2. The PSA SDGI TSS or other ADS will provide inputs to the ADS through the SDGI-FP who will accomplish questionnaire/survey.
 3. The ADS SDG-FP will submit the accomplished questionnaire to the requesting Agency copy furnish the PSA.
- ii. If there is no need to consult:
 1. The ADS through the SDGI-FPs will accomplish the questionnaire/survey;
 2. The ADS SDG-FP will submit the accomplished questionnaire/survey to the requesting Agency copy furnish the PSA through the email address sdg@psa.gov.ph

The timeline of activities including the request for inputs for the PSA/other ADS will vary depending on the deadline of the requesting agency. In cases that the questionnaire is being administered online e.g. SurveyMonkey, Google Forms, etc., the SDGI-FPs or PSA SDGI-TSS could request for soft copies of their submission from the requesting agency to facilitate sharing to the PSA and/or SDGI-FPs.

C. Data Collection Calendar of Global SDG Focal Points

During the 48th UN Statistical Commission, the IAEG-SDGs was requested to compile the list of focal points from international custodian agencies which will lead in the global data collection process and methodological developments of the SDG indicators. The list of focal points for each of the global SDG indicator, together with their respective collection calendar and data requirements, was already posted in the IAEG-SDGs webpage.

Considering the various data collection calendar of the focal points and that the SDG Watch is only updated annually, the Philippine SDGI-FPs may coordinate directly with the international focal points on the provision of latest SDG-related data and other methodological developments. However, the concerned PSA SDG sector specialist should be copied in the submission of any information related to SDG indicators for proper documentation.

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