

Theme 4

Better data for enhancing implementation

- Overview of G7 discussions and Japan's experience -

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Overview of G7 discussions (2016):

G7 Vision for Action on Food Security and Nutrition

Why better data?

Data and statistics are essential for:

- ✓ Evidence-based decision-making
- ✓ Effective implementation, monitoring and evaluation
= Accountability

BUT, huge gaps and challenges still remain



SO, we need...

“Data revolution”

- Capacity development
- Open data
- Big data
- SDG indicators

etc...

G7 commits to:

Improve its efforts, and support developing country efforts, to measure hunger and malnutrition

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Data-related actions

1) Empowering women within agriculture and food systems

Promote the use of the Women's Empowerment in Agriculture Index and other **outcome metrics for women's empowerment**, and systematically **disaggregate results by sex**.

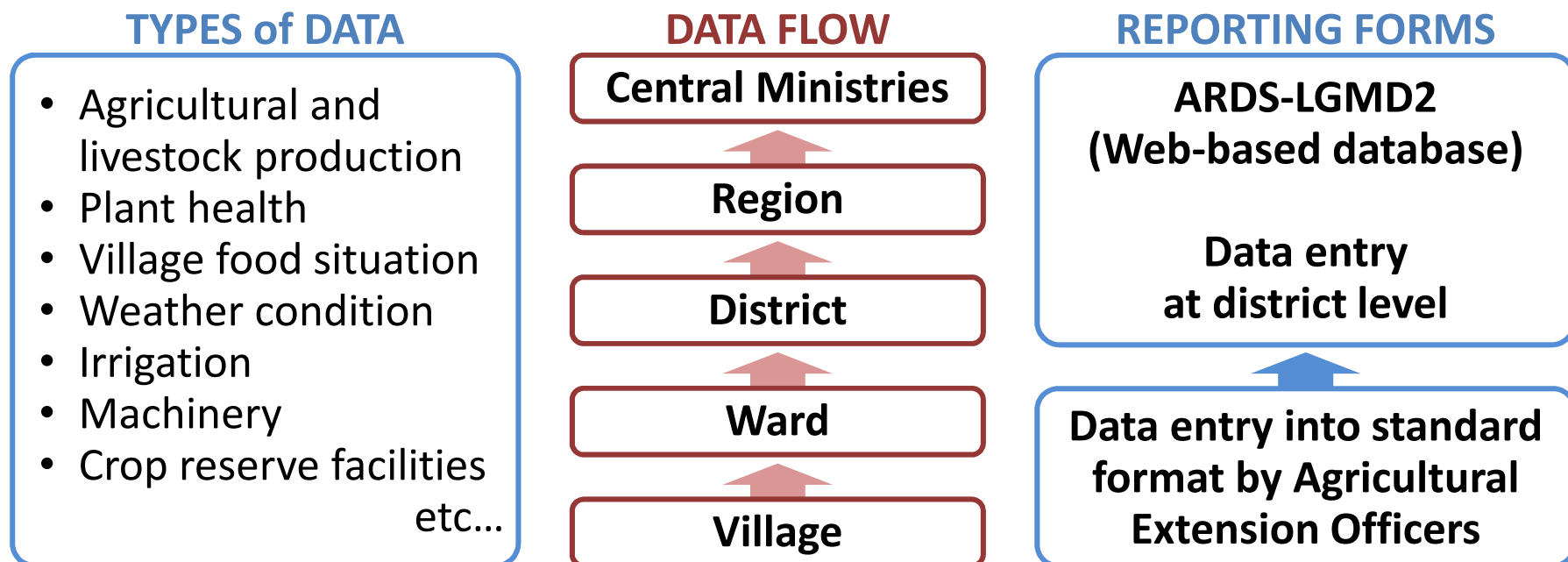
2) Improving nutrition through a people-centered approach

Support the **collection and application of SDG2 indicators**, in particular the expansion of the Food Insecurity Experience Scale (FIES) to improve **disaggregation of data**, including by sex and rural and urban location; promote the inclusion of **indicators of dietary diversity**, especially among children and women of reproductive age, in household surveys.

Japan's experience: Statistical capacity development in Tanzania

Supporting Agricultural Routine Data System (ARDS)

- Developed to monitor and evaluate Tanzania's Agricultural Sector Development Programme started in 2006
- **Regular data collection and reporting** (monthly/quarterly/annually) from village up to central government level



Japan's experience: Statistical capacity development in Tanzania

Project results (achieved and expected)

2008-11

Development of ARDS
through pilot operations ,
using standardized format

2011-15

Nationwide roll-out of ARDS
and strengthened support
system through training

2015-19
(ongoing)

More timely reporting,
improved data quality and
collection methodology

**Promote agricultural policy dialogue
based on better data and statistics**



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↑ Training provided to central
ministry officials, who then train
region/district officials ↓



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Japan's future contribution: **Initiative for Food and Nutrition Security in Africa**

Objective

- To establish a framework of collaboration with African governments for **accelerating and up-scaling actions on nutrition**

Principles of IFNA include:

- To **strengthen the monitoring and evaluation of interventions**, as well as analytical work on enabling environment and policy framework

Activities under IFNA include:

- **Collection and analysis of data** and lessons, as well as the sharing of information



More accurate measurement of nutrition improvement in Africa

Thank You



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