PARIS21 Statement
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- The Partnership in Statistics for Development in the 21st Century (PARIS21) congratulates the organizers and the member countries of the Asia and the Pacific Region for its Regional Action Framework on CRVS.

- PARIS21 stands ready to support countries to implement the action framework, in particular along the areas of:
  
  o Creation of Public awareness – e.g advocacy (video),
  o Policies, legislation and implementation of regulations – e.g. formulation of statistical laws,
  o Coordination among key stakeholders through the NSDS process
  o Produce and use of vital statistics through data management tools

- The overall objective of the PARIS21 strategy are two-fold:
  
  o **Strengthening the National Statistical System and the linkages between NSO and the CRVS system**, to ensure the generation and use of quality vital statistics from civil registration in support for better policymaking, governance, and public administration
  o **Promoting the improvement in administrative-based statistics, such as CRVS as complementary source of data for monitoring national and global development goals**

- We suggest 5 specific activities of PARIS21:
  
  o Country and regional advocacy on vital statistics *(the CRVS video we have presented yesterday is one example of this support)*
  o Facilitation of user-producer dialogue among stakeholders of CRVS through the NSDS process
  o Review and revision of national statistical laws to incorporate CRVS-related provisions;
  o Inclusion of CRVS-related capacity building programs and activities in the national strategy for the development of statistics (NSDS) focusing on coordination mechanisms within the national statistical system compatible with or aligned with the CRVS system; and
Assist in statistical capacity development in data management