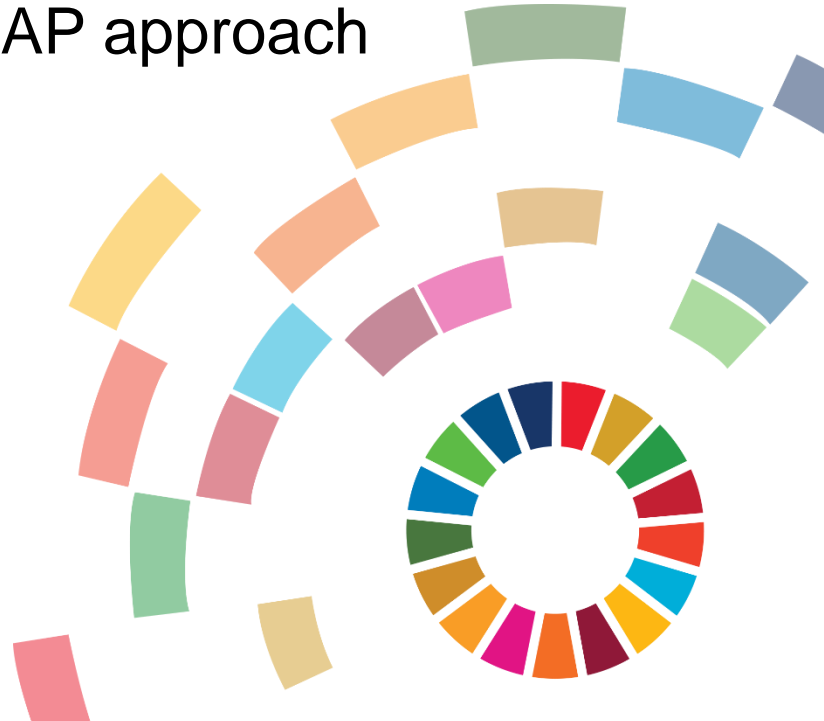


Progress towards the SDGs

A demonstration of ESCAP approach

UNESCAP- Statistics Division



Why SDG progress assessment?

How do we know we have all the policies needed and they work?

Two important questions:

How much progress have we made?

Continuing business as usual, will we achieve our targets by 2030?



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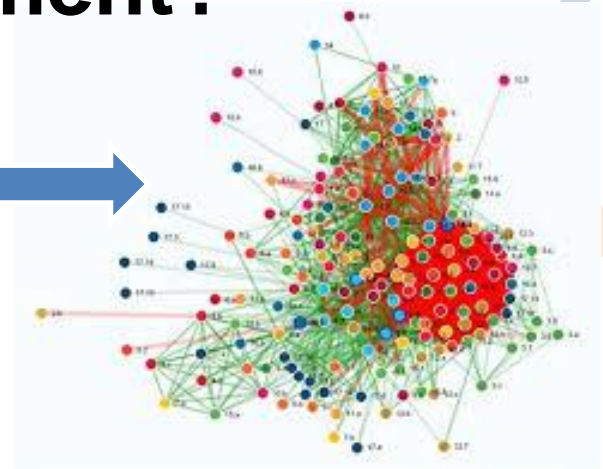
The Challenge:

17 goals, 169 targets, 231 indicators,
++ disaggregations

Where to start?

Get the **“Big Picture”**

*Communicate, Advocate, Prioritize,
Analyze*



UNESCAP's Methodology: **Guiding principles**

1

Assess regional “progress”

- Numeric regional target values, time series data, fixed baseline

2

Utilize “entire” SDG indicator framework

- Global SDG data and indicators, accommodate for disaggregated data

3

Provide a tool and methodology for countries

- Standard methodology, capacity building, Asia-Pacific SDG gateway:

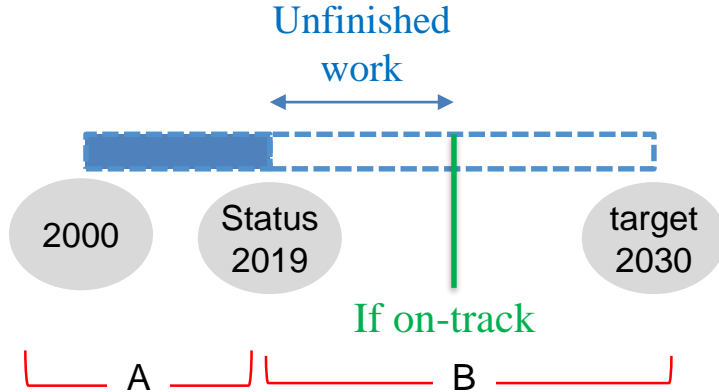


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UNESCAP's Methodology: **Two measures**

Current status index:

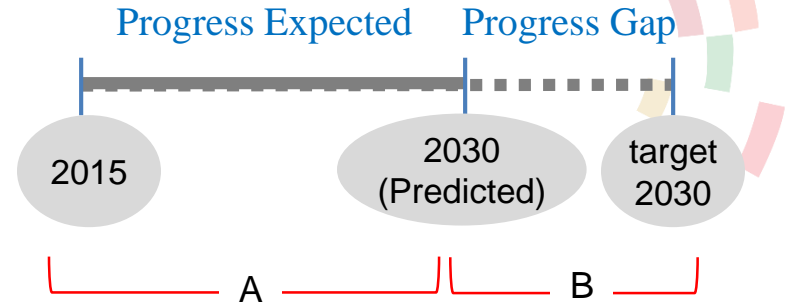
How much progress has been made since 2000?



$$\text{Index} = \frac{A}{A + B}$$

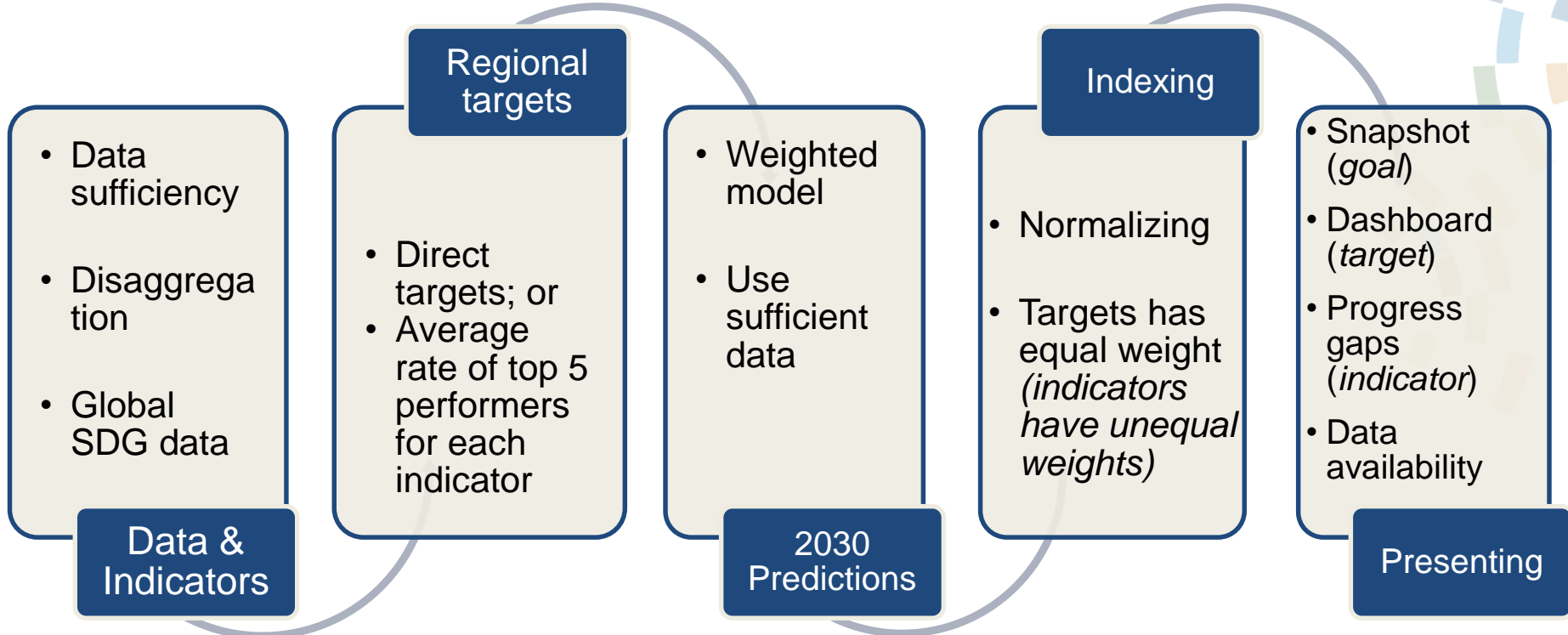
Anticipated status index

How likely will the target be achieved by 2030?

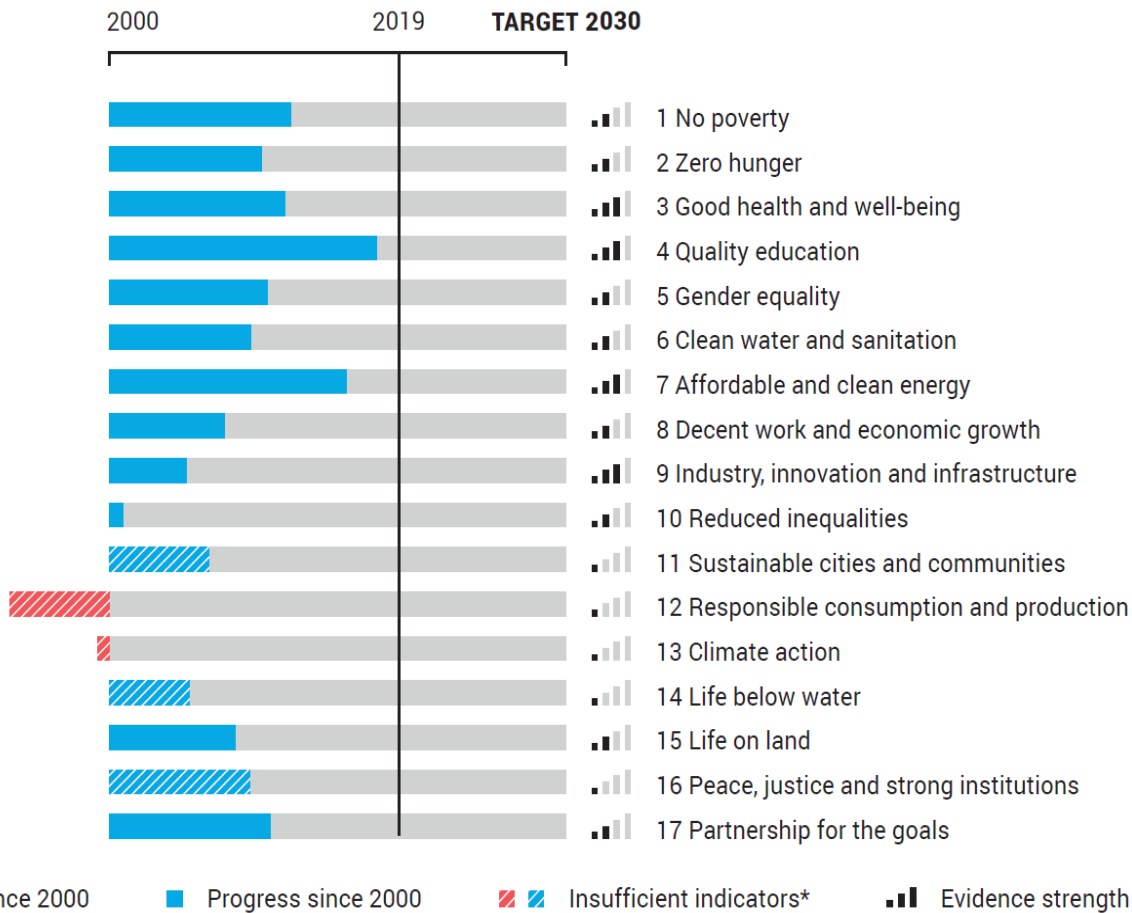


$$\text{Index} = \frac{B}{A + B}$$

UNESCAP's Methodology: **Steps**



Progress so far: SDG Snapshot for Asia-Pacific region



Where will Asia and the Pacific be in 2030?



Asia-Pacific subregional progress

On-track

Stagnant

Regressed

East and North-East Asia



North and Central Asia



Pacific



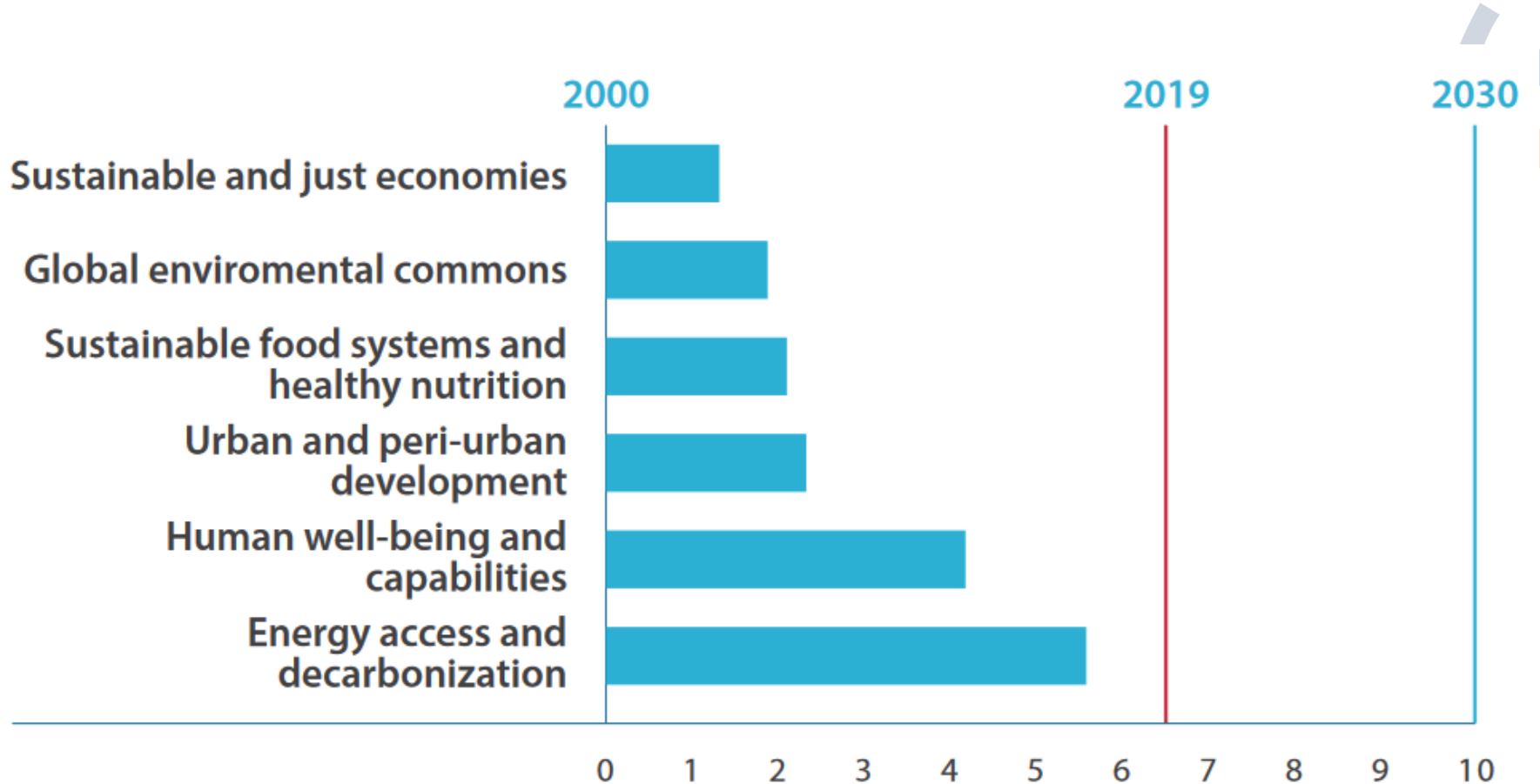
South East Asia



South and South West Asia



Asia-Pacific SDG progress in transformative entry points



Where are we likely to be in 2030 on the SDG Targets in the ESCAP region?

Maintain Progress to achieve SDG Target

Accelerate Progress to achieve SDG Target

Reverse Trend to achieve SDG target

Climate and Nature

32 targets measured out of 72

Ref: Measuring environmental dimension of SDGs (UNEP)

3.9 Health impact of pollution
6.b Participatory water & sanitation mgmt.
7.1 Access to energy services
7.a Int. cooperation on energy
12.c Fossil-fuel subsidies
15.b Resources for forest management

19%

1.4 Access to basic services
2.4 Sustainable agriculture
6.1 Safe drinking water
6.6 Water-related ecosystems
6.a Int. cooperation on water & sanitation
7.3 Energy efficiency
7.b Investing in energy infrastructure

8.4 Material resource efficiency
9.4 Sustainable & clean industries
11.2 Public transport systems
11.6 Urban air quality & waste mgmt.
12.2 Sustainable use of natural resources
12.4 Managing chemicals & wastes
14.1 Marine pollution
14.5 Conservation of coastal areas

15.2 Sustainable forests management
15.4 Conservation of mountain ecosystems
17.6 Science and tech int. cooperation
17.9 Capacity building for SDGs

59%

1.5 Resilience to disasters
7.2 Share of renewable energy
11.5 Resilience to disasters
13.1 Resilience & adaptive capacity
13.2 Climate change policies
15.1 Terrestrial & freshwater ecosystems
15.5 Loss of biodiversity

22%

Gender equality

22 targets measured out of 38

Ref: The Gender Snapshot 2019 (UN Women)

1.1 International poverty
1.2 National poverty
3.1 Maternal mortality
16.1 Reduction of violence & related deaths

18%

1.3 Social protection
1.4 Access to basic services
2.3 Small-scale food producers
3.3 Communicable diseases
3.7 Sexual & reproductive health
3.8 Universal health coverage
4.1 Effective learning outcomes

4.2 Early childhood development
4.3 TVET & tertiary education
4.5 Equal access to education
4.6 Adult literacy & numeracy
5.1 Discrimination against women & girls
5.5 Women in leadership

73%

8.3 Formalization of SMEs
10.2 Inclusion (social, economic & political)
11.2 Public transport systems

8.5 Full employment & decent work
16.2 Human trafficking

9%

Poverty and Inequality

10 targets measured out of 17

Ref: Goals 1 and 10

1.1 International poverty
1.2 National poverty

20%

1.3 Social protection
1.4 Access to basic services
1.a Resources for poverty programs
10.1 Income growth (bottom 40%)

10.2 Inclusion (social, economic & political)
10.b Resource flows for development
10.c Remittance costs

70%

1.5 Resilience to disasters

10%

What does this approach offer?






- Global, regional and subregional SDG progress assessment
- A methodology for assessing national progress towards the SDGs
 - Not national assessment
 - Not target values
 - Not used for comparing or ranking countries
- A package of technical support and a tool for implementing the method
- Objective: use national SDG indicators to improve **communication** and **inform policies for** national implementation of the SDGs



THANK YOU

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