

FY20 Work Plan - May 2019 to April 2020: Government Finance Statistics (GFS)

TA Area	Objective	Country	Statistics Dept Outcome Targeted	Activity	May 2019 - April 2020 (in person-days)			Number of Missions/ Activities	Milestones	Comments	Planned Date	Experts	
					PFTAC resident advisors	ST experts	Total						
Government Finance Statistics	1. Strengthened macroeconomic and financial statistics compilation and dissemination for decision making: compilation methodologies in line with international standards for GFS	Cook Islands	1.9 Data are compiled and disseminated using appropriate statistical techniques, including to deal with data sources, and/or assessment and validation of intermediate data and statistical outputs.	Refine compilation techniques for using various administrative data sources to reduce statistical discrepancies.	5	-	5	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cook Islands National Statistics Office (CINSO) and Crown Accounts Divisions (CAD) to work with departments to reconcile discrepancies for the flows recorded in the accounting system and the asset registers, as well as reconciliation of changes in cash balances for the financial balance sheet. Chart of accounts (CoA) reform to include the automation of the GFS with <i>GFSM 2014</i> economic and functional codes. [RBM – GO – 9.8]. 	Improved data for GFS compilation and dissemination.	Jul-19	LTX	
			1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Compile, review and disseminate data to the IMF Statistics Department.				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CINSO to compile and disseminate consolidated general government annual data for the GFS database FY2018. The CINSO to produce and disseminate quarterly data for the <i>International Financial Statistics (IFS)</i>. [RBM – GO – 12.3] 	GFS for general government operations are compiled and disseminated on a annual/quarterly basis.				
		Fiji	1.9 Data are compiled and disseminated using appropriate statistical techniques, including to deal with data sources, and/or assessment and validation of intermediate data and statistical outputs.	Bridge tables facilitate the compilation of budgetary central government (BCG) GFS.					1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the economic and functional classification segments of the new chart of accounts (CoA). Ensure grants to GG units and public corporations as well as subsidies are clearly distinguished in the coding for consolidation purposes. Reduce miscellaneous categories for revenue and expense. [RBM-GO-9.6] 	GFS compilation for the BCG is automated through the new CoA.	Sep-19	LTX
			1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Compile, review and disseminate data to the IMF Statistics Department.	12	-	12	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and reconcile general government (GG) elimination entries for consolidation [grants / transfers / loans and revenue and expense interest cost]. Finalize estimates for local government data breaks for the cashflow statements (FY2010-16) in preparation for general government consolidation. Compile and disseminate annual GFS data for BCG (FY2018). Compile and disseminate consolidated annual GFS for GG (FY2010 –16). Compile annual public sector debt statistics (PSDS) covering GG and Public Nonfinancial Corporations (PNFC). [RBM – GO – 12.1 and 12.3] 	GFS for general government operations are compiled and disseminated on a annual basis.			
			1.20 Metadata released internally and/or to the public have been strengthened consistent with the dataset to enhance interpretation and analysis.	A comprehensive sources and methods document is disseminated and updated regularly.					1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile a methodological guideline for GG GFS compilation which addresses annual and quarterly compilation and dissemination. Update the metadata of GFS for GG and PSDS on the e-GDDS website. [RBM-GO-20.1] 	Enhanced metadata and compilation guidelines are produced.		
		FSM	1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Compile, review and disseminate data to the IMF Statistics Department.	5	-	5	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile and disseminate annual data for budgetary central government and state government, FY18 and start expanding the coverage to the general government. Compile and disseminate annual public sector debt statistics. [RBM – GO – 12.3] 	GFS for general government operations are compiled and disseminated on a annual basis.	Oct-19	LTX	
		Nauru	1.5 Data are compiled and disseminated using the coverage and scope of the latest manual/guide.	Compile the institutional unit table for the public sector and investigate source data for GFS compilation purposes.					Remote	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and refine the list of all institutional units covered for public sector GFS. Compile and disseminate annual GFS data for BCG FY2018. Introduce a first draft of the budget summary statements in the <i>GFSM 2014</i> format. [RBM – GO – 5.7, 5.8 and 10.2] 	The institutional scope includes all significant central government institutional units and its associated transactions.	Remote	LTX
			1.9 Data are compiled and disseminated using appropriate statistical techniques, including to deal with data sources, and/or assessment and validation of intermediate data and statistical outputs.	Mapping the national chart of accounts (COA) to GFS.	2	-	2	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automate the GFS economic and functional codes in the financial system. [RBM – GO – 9.6] 	Bridge tables from national source data to GFS classifications have been constructed and are used to compile GFS.			
		Palau	1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Compile, review and disseminate data to the IMF Statistics Department.	5	-	5	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile and disseminate annual data for budgetary central government, FY18 and start expanding the coverage to the general government. Compile and disseminate annual public sector debt statistics. [RBM – GO – 12.3] 	GFS for general government operations are compiled and disseminated on a annual basis.	Oct-19	LTX	
		PNG	1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Assist in the verification and revisions of the COA mapping and associated compilation procedures for quarterly reporting.					1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compilation process for completing quarterly GFS reports and provisions for regular revisions to be completed. GFS for BCG operations are compiled and disseminated on a quarterly basis. [RBM – GO – 12.1] 	GFS for budgetary central government operations are compiled and disseminated on a monthly (or quarterly) basis.	Nov-19	LTX
1.15 Macroeconomic data sets used by policy-makers have been made more intersectorally consistent (reduced discrepancies).	Prepare a reconciliation and include data for the financial balance sheet and public sector data to the monetary statistics and balance of payments.		12	-	12	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consistent reporting of financial assets and liabilities data (financial balance sheet) for consolidation with GFS on a annual and quarterly basis for general government. Refine and improve the process for collecting debt and foreign aid data. Collect and compile accounts receivable and payable (arears) information for at least 1 completed fiscal year and continue to produce the data. [RBM – GO – 15.3 and 15.14] 	GFS and debt are consistent or reconcilable with monetary and financial statistics and external sector debt statistics.					

		1.18 A new data set has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Assist in the verification and revisions of data compiled for GFS.						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual GFS are compiled and disseminated for the BCG FY2018. Annual GFS are compiled and disseminated for the GG FY2019. [RBM – GO – 18.1] 	A new set of GFS are compiled and disseminated for the general government as recommended by the GFSM 2014 guidelines. The institutional table need to be updated to in parallel to cover all statutory bodies.		
	RMI	1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Compile, review and disseminate data to the IMF Statistics Department.	5	-	5	1		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile and disseminate annual data for budgetary central government, FY18 and start expanding the coverage to the general government. Compile and disseminate annual public sector debt statistics. [RBM – GO – 12.3] 	GFS for general government operations are compiled and disseminated on an annual basis.	Oct-19	LTX
	Samoa	1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Compile, review and disseminate data to the IMF Statistics Department.	3	-	3	Remote		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete GG consolidation FY2018. Start expanding coverage to public sector and start disseminating public sector debt statistics. [RBM – GO – 12.3] 	GFS for general government operations are compiled and disseminated on an annual basis.	Remote	LTX
	Solomon Islands	1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Compile, review and disseminate data to the IMF Statistics Department.	3	-	3	Remote		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile and disseminate annual data for BCG FY2018. Investigate statistical discrepancies and reconcile changes in cash balances. Reconcile grants paid and received and compile GG consolidation FY2010-18. Compile and disseminate annual public sector debt statistics. [RBM – GO – 12.3] 	GFS for general government operations are compiled and disseminated on an annual basis.	Remote	LTX
	Timor-Leste	1.9 Data are compiled and disseminated using appropriate statistical techniques, including to deal with data sources, and/or assessment and validation of intermediate data and statistical outputs.	Imbalances using various data sources to compile GFS are investigated and resolved.	2	-	2	Remote		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile GG GFS FY2018. Review and complete updates between various source systems to resolve discrepancies, e.g. balance sheet transactions. Updates to the CoA in ProClarity transparency portal to facilitate GFS compilation. Resume the compilation and dissemination of the quarterly GFS report. Compile and disseminate annual public sector debt statistics. [RBM – GO – 9.8] 	Statistical discrepancies and other potential indicators of problems in statistical outputs are investigated. With support of the Information Technology Free balance international team.	Remote	LTX
	Tonga	1.5 Data are compiled and disseminated using the coverage and scope of the latest manual/guide.	Complete the institutional unit table for the public sector and investigate source data for GFS compilation purposes.	12	-	12	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and finalize the list of institutional units for the public sector. [RBM – GO – 5.13, 5.14 and 10.3] 	The institutional scope includes all significant general government institutional units and its associated transactions.	Jan-20	LTX	
		1.9 Data are compiled and disseminated using appropriate statistical techniques, including to deal with data sources, and/or assessment and validation of intermediate data and statistical outputs.	Mapping the national chart of accounts (CoA) to GFS.					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The revised CoA for BCG include the <i>GFSM 2014</i> economic and functional coding for automating the GFS compilation. [RBM – GO – 9.6] 	Bridge tables from national source data to GFS classifications have been constructed and are used to compile GFS.			
	Tuvalu	1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Compile, review and disseminate data to the IMF Statistics Department.	7	-	7	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile and disseminate annual data for BCG FY2018. Compile and disseminate annual public sector debt statistics. [RBM – GO – 12.3] 	GFS for general government operations are compiled and disseminated on an annual basis.	Feb-20	LTX	
	Vanuatu	1.9 Data are compiled and disseminated using appropriate statistical techniques, including to deal with data sources, and/or assessment and validation of intermediate data and statistical outputs.	Imbalances using various data sources to compile GFS are investigated and resolved.	-	21	21	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish a GFS technical workgroup between DoFT, VNSO and RBV to reconcile data before its published and disseminated. A reconciliation of transactions in the net investment of nonfinancial assets between various source data causing statistical discrepancies be finalized. Update the Financial Management Information System with <i>GFSM 2014</i> economic and functional codes enabling the automation of the GFS for BCG. [RBM – GO – 9.6 and 9.8] 	Statistical discrepancies and other potential indicators of problems in statistical outputs are investigated.	Jun-19	Expert	
		1.12 Higher frequency data has been compiled and disseminated internally and/or to the public.	Compile, review and disseminate data to the IMF Statistics Department.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile and disseminate annual data for BCG FY2018. Compile and disseminate annual public sector debt statistics. [RBM – GO – 12.1 and 12.3] 	GFS for general government operations are compiled and disseminated on an annual / quarterly basis.							
	Regional	Capacity Development in GFS.	Workshop on GFS and Debt Sustainability	5	-	5		GFS balance sheet data is produced	The workshop will be joint with Macro and STI.	Feb-20	LTX	
		Capacity Development in GFS.	GFS methodological training, practical workgroup exercises and country data compilation.	5	17	22	1	Workshop delivered and staff trained.	Workshop for selected PFTAC member countries to be held in Fiji. This activity will include a segment of country specific technical assistance to Kiribati.	Aug-19	LTX/ Expert	
Total Days:				83	38	121	10					