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Inclusive development approach to reach the unreached

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Inclusive Development Approach

- GNH is the overall guiding development philosophy of Bhutan.
- Operationalization of GNH was made through legislation, policy and adopting the Nine Domain approach as the Planning Framework.
- The Constitution of the Kingdom of Bhutan mandates the state “to promote those conditions that will enable the pursuit of GNH.
- Objective of the 12th Five Year Plan is “Just Harmonious and sustainable Society through enhanced decentralization.

12th PLAN STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK





Innovative approaches in the 12th FYP

- Triple C : Coordination, Collaboration and Consolidation : *NKRAs assigned to one or more Agencies as Lead agency who will be coordinating to the Agency Results for the particular NKRA.*
- Division of Responsibilities Framework : enhance decentralization
- Flagship programs

NKRA	LEAD AGENCY	CONTRIBUTOR/ COLLABORATOR
Quality of Education and Skills Improved	MoE	MoLHR, RUB, KGUMS, BCSEA, RIM, REC, and other relevant agencies.
Economic Diversity and Productivity Enhanced	MoEA	MoF, RMA, TCB, MoAF, DHI, LGs, Private Sector
Poverty Eradicated and Inequality Reduced	GNHC	MoEA, MoF, MoLHR, TCB, LGs, MoAF, MoH, MoE, CSOs etc
Water, Food, and Nutrition Security Enhanced	NEC & MoAF	Water: MoAF, MoEA, LGs, MoH, DHI, MoWHS and other relevant agencies Food and Nutrition: MoH, MoE
Infrastructure, Communication and Public Service Delivery Improved	Cabinet/MoiC/ MoWHS	All Agencies and LGs
Gender Equality Improved, Women and Girls Empowered	NCWC	All Agencies
Productive and Gainful Employment Created	MoLHR	All Economic Sectors (MoEA, MoIC, TCB, MoAF, LGs etc)



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Democracy and Decentralization Strengthened	ECB (Democracy) Cabinet (Decentralization)	Democracy: All Agencies including Constitutional Bodies. Decentralization: MoHCA, MoF, LGs, GNHCS
Healthy and Caring Society Enhanced	MoH	MoHCA, MoWHS, Dratshang Lhentshog, GNHCS , MoE, LGs
Livability, Safety, and Sustainability of Human Settlement Improved	MoWHS	MoHCA, RBP, NLC, MoAF, MoIC, LGs
Justice Services and Institutions Strengthened	OAG/ Judiciary	ACC, RBP, LGs, BNLI, JSW School of Law, NAB, NC, Media, Regulatory Agencies etc





Inclusive Development Approach

- Bhutan has always strived to pursue inclusive and broad-based development policies and programmes.
- The provision of free access to basic public health services and education to all citizens, representing two important social equalisers, have been prioritized since the beginning of development planning in 1961.
- At the household level, inequality can lead to adverse outcomes in education and health outcomes including mental illness, social mobility and level of trust within the community.



Strategies for inclusive development

- *Target the poor: Groups most vulnerable will be identified and focus on creating income generating opportunities through skills enhancement and capacity development, ensuring food security and improving overall health and wellbeing.*
- *Continue broad based social investments: Broad-based social sector programmes in areas of health, education and agriculture shall be implemented by both central agencies and LGs. The focus shall be on enhancing equitable access to social services as well as pursuing improvements in overall quality of services provided.*
- *RAF : Implement specific policy measures: Specific policy measures that are pro-poor to reduce inequality shall be pursued. To ensure that Dzongkhags, Gewogs and Thromdes with high incidence of poverty receive adequate resources, poverty shall be used as a criterion to determine resource allocation among LGs.*
- *The national minimum wage rate for the national workforce shall be reviewed.*
- *Allowances for women in rural areas during initial months of child birth shall also be explored.*
- *Provision of free nutritious lunch for needy children in identified schools and institutes shall be launched.*
- *To provide equitable access, well-equipped permanent mobile medical teams offering specialist services to unreached pockets and populations will be instituted.*
- *Efforts to support the informal sector will also be undertaken.*