

Policy and Regulatory Framework

In developing the indicators under this theme, the initial questions asked were:

“How is Policy and Regulatory Framework defined?” and ***“How can ICT4D impact Policy and Regulatory Framework?”***

Definition

Policy and Regulatory Framework is defined as *“the existence of the necessary infrastructure which supports the control, direction or implementation of a proposed or adopted course of action, rule, principle or law.”*

The key issues arising from the definition stated above and used as the ‘Sub-Themes’ are:

- Development or existence of necessary infrastructure
- Development of a proposed or adopted course of action, rule, principle or law
- Support of the process of control, direction or implementation of a proposed or adopted course of action, rule, principle or law.

Development or existence of necessary infrastructure

This sub-theme refers to the plans to develop or the existence of any mechanism on which a proposed course of action or law will operate. The analysis under this sub-theme will seek to address how important is ICT in developing or supporting infrastructure relative to Policy and Regulatory Framework.

The following table shows the proposed indicators and the information they can help to gather.

Indicator No.	Indicator	Justification
	What percentage of agencies completed research/ analysis on the development/ existence of the infrastructure to support a Policy and Regulatory framework via newspapers/magazine?	Provides information on the various forms of ICT used relative to the development/existence of the infrastructure to support a Policy and Regulatory Framework.
	What percentage of agencies completed research/ analysis on the development/ existence of the infrastructure to support a Policy and Regulatory framework via radio/television?	

	What percentage of agencies completed research/ analysis on the development/ existence of the infrastructure to support a Policy and Regulatory framework via the internet?	
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Development of a proposed or adopted course of action, rule, principle or law

This sub-theme refers to the involvement of ICT in establishing a rule, principle or law.

The analysis seeks to determine the degree to which ICT facilitates the development or adoption of a course of action, rule or law.

The following table shows the proposed indicators and the justification.

Indicator No.	Indicator	Justification
	What percentage of agencies use magazines/newspapers to support the development of a proposed course of action/law?	Provides information on the degree to which different forms of ICT are used in developing a proposed course of action or law.
	What percentage of agencies use radio/television to support the development of a proposed course of action/law?	
	What percentage of agencies use the internet to support the development of a proposed course of action/law?	
	What percentage of agencies reported achievement of this objective via the use of magazines/newspapers?	Provides information on the effectiveness of the different forms of ICT relative to the achievement of the objective of developing a proposed course of action or law.
	What percentage of agencies reported achievement of this objective via the use of radio/television?	
	What percentage of agencies reported achievement of this objective via the use of the internet?	

Support of the process of control, direction or implementation of a proposed or adopted course of action, rule, principle or law

The analysis under this sub-theme seeks to determine how ICT supports the process of controlling, directing or implementing a proposed course of action, rule or law.

The following table shows the proposed indicators and the justification.

Indicator No.	Indicator	Justification
	What percentage of agencies currently uses magazines/newspapers to implement, direct or control a proposed course of action?	Measures the use of various forms of ICT in implementing or controlling a proposed course of action or law.
	What percentage of agencies currently uses radio/television to implement, direct or control a proposed course of action?	
	What percentage of agencies currently uses the internet to implement, direct or control a proposed course of action?	
	What percentage of agencies plan to monitor the implementation, direction or control a proposed course of action via newspapers/magazines?	Provides information on the future plans of agencies regarding the use of ICT to support the directing or controlling of a proposed course of action or law.
	What percentage of agencies plan to monitor the implementation, direction or control a proposed course of action via radio/television?	
	What percentage of agencies plan to monitor the implementation, direction or control a proposed course of action via the internet?	