



# LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND: EVALUATION for 2030

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# Background

- Lesotho is situated in the Southern African Region
- Constitutional Monarchy
- 2,007,201 (2016)
- 10 Administration Districts
- Poverty Level 49% (2018) from 57 (2003)
- Unemployment Rate 32.8%

# Evolution of M&E - Lesotho's Experience

- The concept of M&E Systems for Lesotho dates as far back as 2008.
- Support from Joint UNCT and other Development Partners
- To monitor development progress in the country
  - ❖ Specifically: Vision 2020, PRS, UNDAF and MDGs
- Develop NM&E Systems and strengthen statistical capacities
- Introduced DevInfo— demand for info, analysis and decision making (Poverty monitoring)
- Other national agendas were considered – emphasis on decentralisation but **there is slow implementation**
- Development of NSDP I (2012/17)

# Evolution of M&E - Lesotho's Experience

- In 2014 M&E guidelines were developed with clear Institutional Arrangements but structures were never set up resulting in M&E system not fully functional
- MDGs Reports and NSDP I Review undertaken
  - ❖ Insufficient integration of MDGs in national and sectoral plans, policies and strategies
  - ❖ The country developed the National Strategy for Development of Statistics.
  - ❖ Weak monitoring and evaluation systems for establishing baselines
  - ❖ MDGs Unfinished Business

# Initiatives to Strengthen M&E

- Training on RBM for Ministries
- NSDP II (Theory of Change) and its monitoring framework (MDGs & SDGs)
- Developed SDGs Baseline Report with trends
- Establishment and Capacitation of Parliament SDGs Committees (As Champions)
- Development Coordination structure—Prime Minister at the apex
- Undertaken 2019 VNR and strengthening structures
- BIG FAST RESULTS- to accelerate implementation of NSDP II priority projects



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