

## **DM&A Division:**

### **1.7 Boards, Councils, Committees and other Bodies constituted as part of the Public Authority [Section 4(1)(b)(viii)]**

#### **Details regarding Committees/Working Groups pertaining to DM&A**

##### **1. Steering Committee on Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP):**

The Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) was launched by NITI Aayog in 2018 as an aggregator platform to enable last mile discovery of information relating to government initiatives and other initiatives towards promoting women entrepreneurship. While WEP was ideated and incubated in NITI, it was decided to operate it as a public private initiative with focus on developing a robust digital public good.

2. As a PPP initiative, WEP has a two-tier governance structure, viz. steering committee that has a leadership role and executive committee with more operational functions.

3. The Steering Committee is the top tier constituted to give overall direction and review the development of the initiative with following composition:

- I. Sh. B. V. R. Subrahmanyam, CEO, NITI Aayog, Chairperson
- II. Dr. Sangita Reddy, JMD, Apollo Hospitals, Co-chair

##### **Ex-Officio Members:**

- I. Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), GoI
- II. Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, GoI
- III. Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development, GoI
- IV. Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, GoI
- V. Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), GoI
- VI. Mr. Shombi Sharp, UN Resident Coordinator

##### **Expert Ecosystems:**

- I. Ms. Debjani Ghosh, Former President, NASSCOM
- II. Dr. Renu Swarup, Former Secretary of DBT, GoI
- III. Ms. Zarina Screwvala, Co-Founder, Swades Foundation
- IV. Ms. Chetna Gala Sinha, Founder, Mann Deshi Foundation
- V. Sri Rajan, Advisory Partner, Bain & Company
- VI. Ms. Archana Vyas, Director, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- VII. Ms. Jyoti Vij, Director General, FICCI

##### **2. Taskforce on Indian Statistical System:**

A Roundtable discussion was held on March 29, 2022, under the chairmanship of Vice Chairman NITI Aayog to discuss data-related issues in India in the context of recommendations of the World Development Report (WDR) 2021. In the meeting, it was decided to constitute a

Taskforce to examine issues relating to Indian statistical systems and creating a cohesive strategy for leveraging data for governance. The Taskforce decided to constitute an Expert Group to conduct in-depth assessments into specific areas and propose solutions in regards to improving survey quality, harmonization of survey data, and identifying use cases of data. Due to a large range of data domains that could be considered, it was decided that the Expert Group conduct a baseline study and analysis in the areas of Nutrition, Labour and Business Statistics. The Expert Group convened its first meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 under the chairmanship of VC NITI Aayog and decided to split into four technical working groups as per the following domains:

- a. Nutrition Statistics
- b. Labour Market Statistics
- c. Business Statistics
- d. Commitment to equity

The Technical Working Groups were formed to undertake the following activities - review existing data products, assessment of the way in which quality monitoring takes place, Assessment of institutional, technical and training needs to take advantage of evolving technologies. and developing a roadmap for Task Force consideration.

### **3. Constitution of an Inter-Ministerial Committee for Implementation of Integrated Official Business Statistics -reg.**

A technical Working Group on Business Statistics under the Taskforce on Indian Statistical System was constituted by NITI Aayog to assess the potential for integrating data related to commercial establishments generated through digital transactions, censuses, and survey and administrative processes, and use this to produce statistical outputs that can be used for economic planning, monitoring, and policy formulation. The Working Group in its final report suggested for an integrated system of official business statistics.

2. In order to implement and establish an Integrated Official Business Statistics, an Inter-Ministerial Committee was constituted with the following composition:

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Designation, Organisation</b>	<b>Role</b>
1	CEO, NITI Aayog	Chairman
2	Secretary, DPIIT	Member
3	Secretary, Department of Revenue, MoF	Member
4	Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs	Member
5	Secretary, Ministry of Labour & Employment	Member
6	Secretary, MoSPI	Member
7	Secretary, MSME	Member
8	Chief Economic Adviser, MoF	Member
9	Principal Economic Adviser, NITI Aayog	Member
10	Mr. Thomas Danielwitz, World Bank	Expert Member
11	Director (DM&A), NITI Aayog	Member Secretary

3. The Committee was constituted to prepare an implementation plan for Integrated Official Business statistics as per the report of the Working Group and also monitor the implementation.