The International Monetary Fund South Asia Regional Training and Technical Assistance Center (SARTTAC) and Real Sector Statistics (RSS) is organizing a Regional Webinar on The Non-Observed Economy on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. IST. This webinar is the second of a four part webinar series on selected advanced topics in the System of National Accounts.

The Non-observed economy (NOE) refers to all productive activities that may not be captured in the basic data sources used for compiling national accounts. These activities include underground, informal, illegal, and other activities omitted due to deficiencies in the basic data collection program. This webinar will review the theory and concepts of the non-observed economy and provide practical strategies national statistics compilers can use to improve their estimates and coverage of this activity. As many SARTTAC countries are currently rebasing GDP, this webinar will provide compilers an opportunity to gain knowledge on this subject, and potentially increase the scope of their national accounts program.

WEBINAR OBJECTIVES
- Each topic will provide participants with general and specific knowledge on advanced national accounts issues frequently encountered by compilers.
- The webinar will review the concepts of the non-observed economy. More importantly, country practices, estimation methods and templates will be presented which will enable compilers to improve these estimates with limited source data.

TARGET AUDIENCE
The webinar is primarily designed for national accounts compilers and statisticians of statistical offices in the SARTTAC-member countries. There is no limit on the number of attendees, so the event is open to all those interested.

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