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Start date	January (1)	2018 (19)
End date	2011 (12)	2019 (20)

B1. TOBACCO CONSUMPTION

Prevalence of tobacco use

Smoking prevalence in the adult population (all)

(Please provide prevalence data for total adult population, and identify the age considered, e.g. 15 years old and over, 18-64 years; see B112)

Current smokers

	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)	Average number of the most-consumed smoking tobacco product used per day
MALE	25.4	
FEMALE	0.7	
TOTAL (males and females)	13.1	

Daily smokers

	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)	Average number of the most-consumed smoking tobacco product used per day
MALE	20.1	
FEMALE	0.5	
TOTAL (males and females)	10.3	

Occasional smokers

Prevalence (%)
(please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)

Former smokers

Prevalence (%)
(please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)

Never smokers

Prevalence (%)
(please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)

Please indicate the smoking tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question B11:

Any smoking Tobacco

Please indicate the age range to which the data used to answer question B11 refer:

	From	To
Age range	15	100

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B11:

2018

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B11:

Demographic Health Survey, 2018

Please provide the definitions of “current smoker”, “daily smoker”, “occasional smoker”, “former smoker” and “never smoker” used in this report.

Current smoker	Those smoking at present
Daily smoker	Those who smoke continuously by day
Occasional smoker	Those who smoke from time to time. Meaning frequent smokers
Former smoker	Those who smoke before but quit
Never smoker	Those who never experience tobacco use

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in smoking prevalence in the adult population in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

The trend of smoking among the adult population is decreasing comparing the STEPS Survey 2010 and the Demographic Health Survey 2018.

Smoking prevalence in the adult population (by age groups)

(If data are available, please provide prevalence data by age group, and identify the age group considered, preferably by 10-year categories, e.g. 25-34, 35-44 years)

	Range - start age	Range - end age	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)
MALES - current smokers ¹	25	34	31
MALES - current smokers ¹	35	44	31
MALES - current smokers ¹	45	54	27
MALES - current smokers ¹	55	64	21
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	25	34	1
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	35	44	0
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	45	54	1
FEMALES - current smokers ¹	55	64	1
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	25	34	15
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	35	44	15
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	45	54	14
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ¹	55	64	11

Please indicate the smoking tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question B12:

Manufactured Tobacco

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B12:

2010

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B12:

WHO STEPWISE SURVEY 2010

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in current smoking prevalence by age group in the past two years or since submission of your last report, if data are available.

There is no available data in the country to compare as whether smoking prevalence is decreasing or increasing by age group.

Prevalence of smokeless tobacco use in the adult population (all)

(Please provide prevalence data for total adult population, and identify the age considered in B132, e.g. 15 years old and over, 18–64 years; see B132)

Males

Prevalence (%)	
(please include all smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)	
Current users	0.8
Daily users	0.4
Occasional users	0.4
Never users	99.2

Females

Prevalence (%)	
(please include all smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)	
Current users	1.4
Daily users	1.3
Occasional users	0.1
Never users	98.6

TOTAL (males and females)

Prevalence (%)
(please include all smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)

Current users	1.2
Daily users	0.9
Occasional users	0.3
Never users	98.9

Please indicate the smokeless tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question B13:

Sniff

Please indicate the age range to which the data used to answer question B13 refer:

	From	To
Age range	25	64

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B13:

2010

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B13:

WHO STEPWISE SURVEY 2010

Please provide the definitions of “current user”, “daily user”, “occasional user”, “former user” and “never user” (of smokeless tobacco products) used in this report in the space below.

Current user	Those smoking at present
Daily user	Those who smoke continuously by day
Occasional user	Those who smoke from time to time. Meaning frequent sm
Former user	Those who smoke before but quit
Never user	Those who never experience tobacco use

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in smokeless tobacco use in the adult population in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

There is no available data to compare and determine the trend in smokeless tobacco use in the adult population.

Prevalence of smokeless tobacco use in the adult population (current users) by age group (by age groups)

(If data are available, please provide prevalence data by age group, and identify the age group considered, preferably by 10-year categories, e.g. 25-34, 35-44 years)

	Range - start age	Range - end age	Prevalence (%) (please include all smoking tobacco products in prevalence data)
MALES - current smokers ²	25	34	0
MALES - current smokers ²	35	44	0
MALES - current smokers ²	45	54	1
MALES - current smokers ²	55	64	2
FEMALES - current smokers ²	25	34	0
FEMALES - current smokers ²	35	44	0
FEMALES - current smokers ²	45	54	3
FEMALES - current smokers ²	55	64	7
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	25	34	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	35	44	0
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	45	54	2
TOTAL (males and females) - current smokers ²	55	64	4

Please indicate the smokeless tobacco products included in the answer to question B14:

Sniff

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B14:

2010

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B14:

WHO STEPWISE SURVEY

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in current use of smokeless tobacco by adult age groups in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Well, no study has been done for the past 5 years but due to observation, Smokeless Tobacco is generally used among the older populations but its decreasing now.

Tobacco use by ethnic group(s)

(please include all smoking or smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)

Ethnic group(s)	MALES - Prevalence (%)	FEMALES - Prevalence (%)	TOTAL (males and females) - Prevalence (%)
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Please indicate the tobacco products included in the answer to question B15:

Please indicate the age range to which the data used to answer question B15 refer:

	From	To
Age range	0	0

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B15:

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B15:

Tobacco use by young persons

(please include all smoking or smokeless tobacco products in prevalence data)

	Age range	SMOKING TOBACCO - Prevalence (%)	SMOKELESS TOBACCO - Prevalence (%)	WATER PIPE - Prevalence (%)
BOYS - Current users ⁴	13-15	15.9	2.3	
GIRLS - Current users ⁴	13-15	4.2	0.9	
TOTAL (boys and girls) - Current users ⁴	13-15	9.2	1.5	

Please indicate the tobacco products included in calculating prevalence for question B16:

Manufactured (cigarettes) and roll your own.

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B16:

2017

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B16:

GYTS 2017 GAMBIA

Please provide the definition of "current smoking/tobacco use" used to answer question B16 in the space below.

Any one that is currently using any tobacco product at the time of the survey

Please provide a brief explanation of the trend in tobacco use by young persons in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Compared to the GYTS 2008, there is a decline in the prevalence of smoking/tobacco use among young person.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

GYTS 2017

No comment

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Fact Sheet

Gambia

Use of novel and emerging tobacco and nicotine products

Age range	Heated tobacco products (HTPs) - Prevalence (%)	Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS) - Prevalence (%)	Electronic Non-Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENNDS) - Prevalence (%)	Other products - Prevalence (%)
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B2-B9. HEALTH, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Exposure to tobacco smoke

Do you have any data on exposure to tobacco smoke in your population?

Yes ✓

Please provide details in the space below (e.g. exposure by gender, at home, in the workplace, on public transport).

AT Home: Male 61.6 and Female 44.8

At Workplace Male 47.0 and Female 19.4

The only available data on exposure is the STEPS Survey 2010.

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B21:

2010

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B21:

WHO STEP WISE SURVEY

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Tobacco-related mortality

Do you have information on tobacco-related mortality in your population?

No

If available, please provide any additional information on mortality attributable to tobacco use (e.g. lung cancer, cardiovascular diseases) in your jurisdiction.

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B32 and 33:

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions B32 and B33:

Please submit a copy of the study you refer to:

Tobacco-related costs

Do you have information on the economic burden of tobacco use in your population, e.g. the overall cost of tobacco use imposed on your society?

No

Please submit a copy of the study you refer to:

Supply of tobacco and tobacco products

(with reference to Articles 6.2(b), 20.4(c), and 15.5)

Licit supply of tobacco products

	Product	Unit (e.g. pieces, tonnes)	Domestic production	Retail sales	Exports	Imports
Smoking tobacco products	Cigarette	Kilograms	NIL		NIL	465300
Other tobacco products	Unmanufactured tobacco	Kilograms	NIL		NIL	5350

Please provide information on the volumes of duty-free sales (e.g. product, unit, quantity), if available.

Not available.

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B51 and 52:

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions B51 and B52:

Remained the same since the last report date.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Seizures of illicit tobacco products

(with reference to Article 15.5)

Seizures of illicit tobacco

Year	Product	Unit (e.g. pieces, tonnes)	Quantity seized
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Do you have any information on the percentage of illicit tobacco products on the national tobacco market?

Yes ✓

What percentage of the national tobacco market do illicit tobacco products constitute? (%)

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What is the trend over the past two years or since submission of your last report in the percentage of illicit tobacco products in relation to the national tobacco market?

This is the only published data on illicit cigarettes consumption in the country, 2019.

Please provide any further information on illicit tobacco products.

NONE

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions in section B6:
Consumption of legal and illegal cigarettes in The Gambia

Please attach the relevant documentation.

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Tobacco-growing

Is there any tobacco-growing in your jurisdiction?

No

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer questions in section B7:

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions in section B7:

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Taxation of tobacco products

(with reference to Articles 6.2(a) and 6.3)

What proportion of the retail price of the most popular price category of tobacco product consists of taxes (e.g. sum of excise, sales and import duties (if applicable) and value added tax/goods and services tax (VAT/GST))?

How are the excise taxes levied (what types of taxes are levied)?

Specific tax only	Yes
Ad valorem tax only	No
Combination of specific and ad valorem taxes	No
More complex structure (please explain below)	No

If available, please provide details on the rates of taxation for tobacco products at all levels of Government and be as specific as possible (specify the type of tax, e.g. VAT, sales, import duties)

	Product	Type of tax	Rate or amount	Base of tax⁵
Smoking tobacco products	Cigarette	Duty	20%	CIF Value
Smoking tobacco products	Cigarette	VAT	15%	CIF + Duty+Excise
Smoking tobacco products	Cigarette	EXcise	D12.00	per pack of 20 sticks
Smoking tobacco products	Cigarette	Environment Tax	D2.20	per pack of 20 sticks
Smoking tobacco products	Cigarette	Processing fee	1.55%	CIF Value
Smoking tobacco products	Cigarette	ECOWAS levy	1%	CIF Value
Other tobacco products	Unmanufactured tobacco	Duty	20%	CIF Value
Other tobacco products	Unmanufactured tobacco	VAT	15%	CIF, DUTY and EXCISE
Other tobacco products	Unmanufactured tobacco	Excise	D200	per Kilo
Other tobacco products	Unmanufactured tobacco	Environment	D110	Per Kilo
Other tobacco products	Unmanufactured tobacco	Processing fee	1.55%	CIF Value
Other tobacco products	Unmanufactured tobacco	ECOWAS Levy	1%	CIF Value

Please briefly describe the trends in taxation for tobacco products in the past two years or since submission of your last report in your jurisdiction.

Government has been increasing excise tax on tobacco products from 2013 to 2016.

Do you earmark any percentage of your taxation income for funding any national plan or strategy on tobacco control in your jurisdiction?

No ✘

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer questions B81 to B86:

2020

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer questions B81 to B86:

Gambia Revenue Authority

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Price of tobacco products

(with reference to Articles 6.2(a))

Domestic

Please provide the retail prices of the three most widely sold brands of domestic tobacco products at the most widely used point of sale in your capital city.

Name of the most widely sold brands	Number of units or amount per package	Retail price	Currency
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Imported

Please provide the retail prices of the three most widely sold brands of imported tobacco products at the most widely used point of sale in your capital city.

	Name of the most widely sold brands	Number of units or amount per package	Retail price	Currency
Smoking tobacco products	Piccadilly	20 sticks	60 per pack	Dalasis
Smoking tobacco products	Benson	20 sticks	70 per pack	Dalasis
Smoking tobacco products	Bond	20 sticks	60 per pack	Dalasis

Please indicate the year of the data used to answer question B91:

2020

Please indicate the source of the data used to answer question B91:

Gambia Revenue Authority and self observation (Kairaba Shopping Center, 5/05/2020)

Please briefly describe the trend in the prices of tobacco products in the past two years or since submission of your last report in your jurisdiction.

The trend in the prices of tobacco products is increasing as the tax on tobacco products increases.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

C1. GENERAL OBLIGATIONS

With reference to Article 5

Have you developed and implemented comprehensive multisectoral national tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes in accordance with the Convention?

Yes ✓

Have you established or reinforced and financed:

a focal point for tobacco control?	Yes
a tobacco control unit?	Yes
a national coordinating mechanism for tobacco control?	Yes

Please provide details (e.g. the nature of the national coordinating mechanism, the institution to which the focal point for tobacco control or the tobacco control unit belongs).

There is a Multisectoral Working Group on Tobacco control which comprises of representatives from government ministries, NGOs and CBOs in the country. The focal point for Tobacco control is from the Ministry of Health and the Tobacco control unit is under the same ministry.

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 5.1 and 5.2 (*General obligations*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

The Gambia has a comprehensive tobacco control law called "Tobacco Control Act, 2016" which came into force in December 2018. There is also a "Tobacco Control Regulations" which was published in the Gazette in July 2019 and enforced in October 2019. A Tobacco Control Committee has been established and launched in April 2019.

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Protection of public health policies with respect to tobacco control from commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

protecting public health policies with respect to tobacco control from commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry?

Yes ✓

ensuring that the public has access, in accordance with Article 12(c), to a wide range of information on tobacco industry activities relevant to the objectives of the Convention, such as in a public repository?

Yes ✓

If you answered "Yes" to any of the questions under C121 or C122, please provide details in the space below (specifically, please refer, if relevant, to whether your government or any of its departments 1) have raised awareness on tobacco industry tactics and the need to prevent interference by the tobacco industry with decision making; 2) have avoided entering into any partnerships or voluntary agreements with the tobacco industry; 3) have established any measures to limit interaction of public officials with the tobacco industry, including in the form of a code of conduct; 4) have not granted any incentives, privileges, benefits or preferential tax exemptions to the tobacco industry to establish or run their business; etc.).

The Tobacco Control Programme under the NCD Unit has been conducting series of awareness campaigns on tobacco use and health and on the new tobacco law. The Unit also developed a TOR for the members of the Tobacco Control Committee and a consent form to sign.

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 5.3 in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

The Tobacco Control Act 2016 has been in force since December 2018 which is in compliance with the WHOFCTC.

Have you utilized the "Guidelines for implementation of Article 5.3 of the WHO FCTC" when developing or implementing policies in this area?

Yes ✓

Please provide details in the space below or refer to section I of the additional questionnaire. Response to this question or to the additional questionnaire is **voluntary**. <https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en> (<https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en>)

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Please attach the relevant documentation.

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C2. MEASURES RELATING TO THE REDUCTION OF DEMAND FOR TOBACCO

With reference to Articles 6–14

Price and tax measures to reduce the demand for tobacco

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

tax policies and, where appropriate, price policies on tobacco products so as to contribute to the health objectives aimed at reducing tobacco consumption?

Yes ✓

prohibiting or restricting, as appropriate, sales to international travellers of tax- and duty-free tobacco products?

Yes ✓

prohibiting or restricting, as appropriate, imports by international travellers of tax- and duty-free tobacco products?

Yes ✓

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 6 (*Price and tax measures to reduce the demand for tobacco*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Tobacco tax increasing annually by 5 dalasis per pack and this is reflected on the market price of products.

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 6 of the WHO FCTC” when developing or implementing policies in this area?

Yes ✓

If you answered “Yes” to question C215 please provide details in the space below or refer to section H of the additional questionnaire available at this link. Response to this question or to the additional questionnaire is **voluntary**. <https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en> (<https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en>)

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

banning tobacco smoking in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places ?

Yes ✓

What is the type/nature of the measure providing for the ban?

national law	Yes
subnational law(s)	No
administrative and executive orders	No
voluntary agreements	No
other measures (please specify in C223 below)	No

Please provide a brief explanation of the type/nature and content of the measures providing for the ban.

There was a ban on public smoking in 1998 called the Public Smoking Act (smoking in public places). This act bans smoking in all public places being it public transport, work places, streets, markets among others. The New Tobacco Control Act, 2016 has a section prohibiting smoking in Public Places and it has specified Public Places.

Do any of these measures provide for a mechanism/ infrastructure for enforcement?

Yes ✓

Please provide details of this system.

The law enforcement authorities of the country and the Public Health officers are to implement this act.

Please specify the settings and extent/comprehensiveness of measures applied in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places.

Indoor workplaces:

government buildings	Complete
health-care facilities	Complete
educational facilities ⁶	None
universities	Complete
private workplaces	Complete
other (please specify below)	

Please specify the settings and extent/comprehensiveness of measures applied in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places.

Public transport:

airplanes	None
trains	None
ferries	Complete
ground public transport (buses, trolleybuses, trams)	Complete
motor vehicles used as places of work (taxis, ambulances, delivery vehicles)	Complete
private vehicles	Complete
other (please specify below)	Complete

Please provide a brief explanation of any "other" policies in the space below

Commercial public transport vehicles (Taxis, Vans)

Please specify the settings and extent/comprehensiveness of measures applied in indoor workplaces, public transport, indoor public places and, as appropriate, other public places.

Indoor public places:

cultural facilities	Complete
shopping malls	Complete
pubs and bars	Complete
nightclubs	Complete
restaurants	Complete
other (please specify below)	

Please provide a brief summary of complete and partial measures, with specific details of the partial measures that have been implemented:

Banning tobacco smoking in indoor workplaces

Smoking is ban completely in all indoor work places in the country including both public and private work places.

Banning tobacco smoking in public transport

Smoking in public transport is completely banned

Banning tobacco smoking in indoor public places

Smoking in indoor public places is banned

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 8 (*Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

The coming into force of the "Tobacco Control Act, 2016" in December 2018 has provided protection from second hand smoke.

Have you utilized the "Guidelines for implementation of Article 8 of the WHO FCTC" when developing or implementing policies in this area?

Yes ✓

If you answered "Yes" to question C229 please provide details in the space below or refer to section B of the additional questionnaire available at this link. Response to this question or to the additional questionnaire is **voluntary**. <https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en> (<https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en>)

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Regulation of the contents of tobacco products

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

testing and measuring the contents of tobacco products?

No

testing and measuring the emissions of tobacco products?

No

regulating the contents of tobacco products?

No

regulating the emissions of tobacco products?

No

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 9 (*Regulation of the contents of tobacco products*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Have you utilized the "Guidelines for implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of the WHO FCTC" when developing or implementing policies in this area?

No

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below (e.g., whether your country 1) has incorporated product regulation in the national tobacco control legislation; 2) has access to either governmental or independent – not owned or controlled by the tobacco industry – laboratories for testing contents and/or emissions of tobacco products; 3) has regulated ingredients, such as flavours (e.g. menthol); 4) has regulated product characteristics, such as design features (e.g., cigarette ventilation); etc.).

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Regulation of tobacco product disclosures

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

requiring manufacturers or importers of tobacco products to disclose to Government authorities information about the:

contents of tobacco products?	No
emissions of tobacco products?	No

requiring public disclosure of information about the:

contents of tobacco products?	No
emissions of tobacco products?	No

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 10 (*Regulation of tobacco product disclosures*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of the WHO FCTC” when developing or implementing policies in this area?

No ✘

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below (e.g. whether your country has incorporated tobacco product disclosures in the national tobacco control legislation; has regulated the public disclosure of toxic constituents and emissions of tobacco products, aiming to raise public awareness and advance tobacco control policy; etc.).

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Packaging and labelling of tobacco products

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

requiring that packaging, individual cigarettes or other tobacco products do not carry advertising or promotion?

Yes ✔

requiring that packaging and labelling do not promote a product by any means that are false, misleading, deceptive or likely to create an erroneous impression about its characteristics, health effects, hazards or emissions?

No ✘

requiring that each unit packet and package of tobacco products and any outside packaging and labelling of such products carry health warnings describing the harmful effects of tobacco use?

Yes ✔

ensuring that the health warnings are approved by the competent national authority?

No ✘

ensuring that the health warnings are rotated?

No ✘

ensuring that the health warnings are clear, visible and legible?

Yes ✔

Does your law mandate, as a minimum, a style, size and colour of font to render the warning clear, visible and legible?

No ✘

ensuring that the health warnings occupy no less than 30% of the principal display areas?

Yes ✔

ensuring that the health warnings occupy 50% or more of the principal display areas?

No ✘

ensuring that health warnings are in the form of, or include, pictures or pictograms?

No ✘

requiring that each unit packet and package of tobacco products and any outside packaging and labelling of such products contain information on relevant:

constituents of tobacco products? No

emissions of tobacco products? No

requiring that the warnings and other textual information appear on each unit packet and package and on any outside packaging and labelling in the principal language or languages of the country?

No ✘

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 11 (*Packaging and labelling of tobacco products*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

The Tobacco Control Act, 2016 has been enacted and came into force in December 2018. Pictorials Health Warnings has been developed and should be printed on cigarettes packs for country by the end of 2020.

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 11 of the WHO FCTC” when developing or implementing policies in this area?

Yes ✓

If you answered “Yes” to question C2516 please provide details in the space below or refer to section D of the additional questionnaire available at this link. Response to this question or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary. <https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en> (<https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en>)

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Please attach the relevant documentation.

Education, communication, training and public awareness

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

educational and public awareness programmes? (*Please refer to programmes implemented since submission of your two-year report.*)

Yes ✓

To whom are these programmes targeted?

- adults or the general public
 - children and young people
 - men
 - women
 - pregnant women
 - ethnic groups
 - other (please specify)
 - Other
-

Do you reflect the following key differences among targeted population groups in educational and public awareness programmes?

- age
 - gender
 - educational background
 - cultural background
 - socioeconomic status
 - other (please specify)
 - Other
-

Do these educational and public awareness programmes cover:

- health risks of tobacco consumption?
 - health risks of exposure to tobacco smoke?
 - benefits of the cessation of tobacco use and tobacco-free lifestyles?
 - adverse economic consequences of tobacco production?
 - adverse economic consequences of tobacco consumption?
 - adverse environmental consequences of tobacco production?
 - adverse environmental consequences of tobacco consumption?
-

awareness and participation of the following agencies and organizations in development and implementation of intersectoral programmes and strategies for tobacco control:

- public agencies?
 - nongovernmental organizations not affiliated with the tobacco industry?
 - private organizations?
 - other (please specify)?
 - Other
-

Are the elaboration, management and implementation of communication, education, training and public awareness programmes guided by research and do they undergo pre-testing, monitoring and evaluation?

Yes ✓

Are appropriate and special training or sensitization and awareness programmes on tobacco control addressed to:

- health workers?
- community workers?
- social workers?
- media professionals?
- educators?
- decision-makers?
- administrators?
- other (please specify)
- Other

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 12 (*Education, communication, training and public awareness*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Mass media campaign using various channels, community dialogue, advocacy meetings, orientation meetings and sensitisation, training of health care providers and organised community structures on tobacco cessation among others. There has been a nationwide sensitisation of Hotels, Restaurants and Bar owners on the Tobacco Control Act, 2016 and the Tobacco Control Regulations 2019.

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 12 of the WHO FCTC” when developing and implementing policies in this area?

Yes ✓

If you answered “Yes” to question C269 please provide details in the space below or refer to section E of the additional questionnaire available at this link. Response to this question or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary. <https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en> (<https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en>)

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, any legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes:

instituting a comprehensive ban on all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?

Yes ✓

Does your ban cover:

- display and visibility of tobacco products at points of sales?
- the domestic Internet?
the global Internet?
brand stretching and/or brand sharing?
- product placement as a means of advertising or promotion?
- the depiction of tobacco or tobacco use in entertainment media products?
- tobacco sponsorship of international events or activities and/or participants therein?
- contributions from tobacco companies to any other entity for “socially responsible causes” and/or any other activities implemented under the umbrella of “corporate social responsibility” by the tobacco industry?
- cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from your territory?
- the same forms of cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship entering your territory for which domestic regulation apply?

cooperating with other Parties in the development of technologies and other means necessary to facilitate the elimination of cross-border advertising?

No ✗

imposing penalties for cross-border advertising equal to those applicable to domestic advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from your territory in accordance with national law?

No ✗

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 13 (*Tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Tobacco Control Act, 2016 enacted and enforce in December 2018

Have you utilized the “Guidelines for implementation of Article 13 of the WHO FCTC” when developing and implementing policies in this area?

Yes ✓

If you answered “Yes” to question C2715 please provide details in the space below or refer to section F of the additional questionnaire available at this link. Response to this question or to the additional questionnaire is voluntary. [https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?](https://extranet.who.int/dataform/655321?token=sgv7mubs7j5vwje&lang=en)

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If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

developing and disseminating appropriate, comprehensive and integrated guidelines based on scientific evidence and best practices?

Yes ✓

programmes to promote cessation of tobacco use, including:

- media campaigns emphasizing the importance of quitting?
 - programmes specially designed for underage girls and young women?
 - programmes specially designed for women?
 - programmes specially designed for pregnant women?
 - telephone quitlines?
 - local events, such as activities related to World No Tobacco Day or National No Smoking Day, if appropriate?
 - other (please specify)?
 - Other
-

design and implementation of programmes aimed at promoting the cessation of tobacco use, in such locations as:

- educational institutions?
 - health-care facilities?
 - workplaces?
 - sporting environments?
 - other (please specify)?
 - Other
-

inclusion of diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence and counselling services for cessation of tobacco use in national programmes, plans and strategies for:

- tobacco control?
 - health?
 - education?
-

inclusion of programmes on the diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence in your health-care system?

Yes ✓

Which structures in your health-care system provide programmes for the diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence?

- primary health care
 - secondary and tertiary health care
 - specialist health-care systems (please specify below)
 - specialized centres for cessation counselling and treatment of tobacco dependence
 - rehabilitation centres
 - Other
-

Are the services provided in these settings covered by public funding or reimbursement schemes?

- | | |
|---|------|
| primary health care | None |
| secondary and tertiary health care | None |
| specialist health-care systems (please specify below) | None |
| specialized centres for cessation counselling and treatment of tobacco dependence | None |
| rehabilitation centres | None |
| other (please specify below) | None |
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Which health and other professionals are involved in programmes offering treatment for tobacco dependence and counselling services?

Health professionals including:

physicians
dentists
family doctors
practitioners of traditional medicine
other medical professionals (please specify below)
nurses
midwives
pharmacists
Community workers
Social workers
other (please specify)
Other

training on tobacco dependence treatment incorporated into the curricula of health professional training at pre- and post-qualification levels at the following schools:

medical?
dental?
nursing?
pharmacy?
Other

facilitating accessibility and/or affordability of pharmaceutical products for the treatment of tobacco dependence?

No ✘

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 14 (*Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

The Tobacco clinical cessation guidelines was developed and launched recently in April 2016. This was followed by the training of policy makers and next is the step down training of health care providers. Twenty healthcare providers from five different facilities were trained on these guidelines in 2017.

Have you utilized the "Guidelines for implementation of Article 14 of the WHO FCTC" when developing and implementing policies in this area?

Yes ✔

Please provide details in the space below or refer to section G of the additional questionnaire.

Response to this question or to the additional questionnaire is **voluntary**.

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Please attach the relevant documentation.

C3. MEASURES RELATING TO THE REDUCTION OF THE SUPPLY OF TOBACCO

With reference to Articles 15–17

Illicit trade in tobacco products

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

requiring marking of all unit packets and packages of tobacco products and any outside packaging of such products to assist in determining the origin of the product?

Yes ✓

requiring marking of all unit packets and packages of tobacco products and any outside packaging of such products to assist in determining whether the product is legally sold on the domestic market?

Yes ✓

requiring that unit packets and packages of tobacco products for retail and wholesale use that are sold on the domestic market carry the statement: “Sales only allowed in ...” or carry any other effective marking indicating the final destination of the product?

Yes ✓

developing a practical tracking and tracing regime that would further secure the distribution system and assist in the investigation of illicit trade?

No ✗

requiring that marking is presented in legible form and/or appears in the principal language or languages of the country?

Yes ✓

requiring the monitoring and collection of data on cross-border trade in tobacco products, including illicit trade?

Yes ✓

facilitating the exchange of this information among customs, tax and other authorities, as appropriate, and in accordance with national law and applicable bilateral and multilateral agreements?

Yes ✓

enacting or strengthening legislation, with appropriate penalties and remedies, against illicit trade in tobacco products, including counterfeit and contraband cigarettes?

Yes ✓

requiring that confiscated manufacturing equipment, counterfeit and contraband cigarettes and other tobacco products derived from illicit trade are destroyed, using environment-friendly methods where possible, or disposed of in accordance with national law?

Yes ✓

adopting and implementing measures to monitor, document and control the storage and distribution of tobacco products held or moving under suspension of taxes or duties?

Yes ✓

enabling the confiscation of proceeds derived from illicit trade in tobacco products?

Yes ✓

promoting cooperation between national agencies and relevant regional and international intergovernmental organizations in investigations, prosecutions and proceedings, with a view to eliminating illicit trade in tobacco products, with special emphasis on cooperation at regional and subregional levels?

Yes ✓

licensing or other actions to control or regulate production and distribution in order to prevent illicit trade?

No ✘

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 15 (*Illicit trade in tobacco products*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Tobacco Control Act, 2016 has been enacted and into force since December 2018.

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Sales to and by minors

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

prohibiting the sales of tobacco products to minors?

No ✘

requiring that all sellers of tobacco products place a clear and prominent indicator inside their point of sale about the prohibition of tobacco sales to minors?

No ✘

requiring that, in case of doubt, each seller of tobacco products requests that the purchaser provides appropriate evidence of having reached full legal age?

No ✘

banning the sale of tobacco products in any manner by which they are directly accessible, such as open store shelves?

No ✘

prohibiting the manufacture and sale of sweets, snacks, toys or any other objects in the form of tobacco products which appeal to minors?

No ✘

prohibiting the sale of tobacco products from vending machines?

No ✘

Do you ensure that tobacco vending machines are not accessible to minors and/or do not promote the sale of tobacco products to minors?

No ✘

prohibiting and/or promoting the prohibition of the distribution of free tobacco products:

- to the public?
 - to minors?
-

prohibiting the sale of cigarettes individually or in small packets?

No

providing for penalties against sellers and distributors in order to ensure compliance?

No

prohibiting the sales of tobacco products by minors?

No

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 16 (*Sales to and by minors*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Tobacco Control Act, 2016 has a section on "Exposure to and by Minors". The Act is in force since December 2018.

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Provision of support for economically viable alternative activities

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, measures or programmes on any of the following:

promoting economically viable and sustainable alternatives for:

tobacco growers?	Not applicable
tobacco workers?	No
tobacco individual sellers?	No

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 17 (*Provision of support for economically viable alternative activities*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

This is not applicable in the country as we are not growing tobacco. There is no individual seller of tobacco products that is entirely selling on tobacco products. Those selling tobacco products are selling or items along with tobacco products.

Have you utilized the “Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing (in relation to Articles 17 and 18 of the WHO FCTC)” when developing and implementing policies in this area?

No

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

C4. OTHER MEASURES AND POLICIES

With reference to Articles 18–21

Protection of the environment and the health of persons

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

implementing measures in respect of tobacco cultivation within your territory, which take into consideration:

the protection of the environment?	Not applicable
the health of persons in relation to the environment?	Not applicable

implementing measures in respect of tobacco manufacturing within your territory, which take into consideration:

the protection of the environment?	Not applicable
the health of persons in relation to the environment?	Not applicable

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 18 (*Protection of the environment and the health of persons*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Not Applicable

Have you utilized the “Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing (in relation to Articles 17 and 18 of the WHO FCTC)” when developing and implementing policies in this area?

No

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Liability

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

Does your tobacco control legislation contain measures regarding criminal liability for any violations of that tobacco control legislation?

Yes

Do you have separate criminal liability provisions in relation to tobacco control (outside of the tobacco control legislation)?

Yes

Do you have any civil liability measures that are specific to tobacco control?

Yes

Do you have any general civil liability provisions that could apply to tobacco control?

No

Do you have civil or criminal liability provisions that provide for compensation for adverse health effects and/or for reimbursement of medical, social or other relevant costs?

No

Has any person in your jurisdiction launched any criminal and/or civil liability action, including compensation where appropriate, against any tobacco company in relation to any adverse health effect caused by tobacco use?

No

Have you taken, as appropriate, any legislative, executive, administrative and/or other action against the tobacco industry for full or partial reimbursement of medical, social and other relevant costs related to tobacco use in your jurisdiction?

No

Please provide a brief description of any progress made, as appropriate, in implementing Article 19 (*Liability*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

Tobacco Control Act, 2016 has been enacted and is in force since December 2018. This is covered in the Act.

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below.

Please attach the relevant documentation.

Research, surveillance and exchange of information

Have you adopted and implemented, where appropriate, legislative, executive, administrative or other measures or have you implemented, where appropriate, programmes on any of the following:

developing and/or promoting research that addresses:

- determinants of tobacco consumption?
 - consequences of tobacco consumption?
 - social and economic indicators related to tobacco consumption?
 - tobacco use among women, with special regard to pregnant women?
 - the determinants and consequences of exposure to tobacco smoke?
 - identification of effective programmes for the treatment of tobacco dependence?
 - identification of alternative livelihoods?
 - Other
-

training and support for all persons engaged in tobacco control activities, including research, implementation and evaluation?

Yes ✓

a national system for epidemiological surveillance of:

- patterns of tobacco consumption?
- determinants of tobacco consumption?
- consequences of tobacco consumption?
- social, economic and health indicators related to tobacco consumption?
- exposure to tobacco smoke?
- Other

Please list all surveys, including the year of the survey, that you have undertaken in the past.

WHO STEPWISE 2010

Demographic Health Survey 2018

Global Youth Tobacco Survey 2017

Does your country have any plans to repeat any of the above or to undertake a new tobacco survey within three to five years of your last survey? Please provide details in the space below.

There are plans to conduct Global Adult Tobacco Survey, STEPS Survey and GYTS.

regional and global exchange of publicly available national:

- scientific, technical, socioeconomic, commercial and legal information?
- information on the practices of the tobacco industry?
- information on the cultivation of tobacco?

an updated database of:

- laws and regulations on tobacco control?
- information about the enforcement of laws on tobacco control?
- pertinent jurisprudence?

Please provide a brief description of the progress made in implementing Article 20 (*Research, surveillance and exchange of information*) in the past two years or since submission of your last report.

with regards to the issue of enforcement, we dont have any database but we have developed compliance and enforcement plan

If you have any other relevant information pertaining to but not covered in this section, please provide details in the space below (e.g. whether you included information on WHO FCTC implementation in your Voluntary National Review (VNR) on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), related to target 3.a).

None

Please attach the relevant documentation.

D. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE

Pursuant to Article 21.1(c) and in accordance with Article 26, have you either provided or received financial or technical assistance (be it through unilateral, bilateral, regional, subregional or other multilateral channels, including relevant regional and international intergovernmental or nongovernmental organizations and financial and development institutions) for the development and strengthening of multisectoral, comprehensive tobacco control programmes of developing country Parties and Parties with economies in transition in any of the following areas:

development, transfer and acquisition of technology, knowledge, skills, capacity and expertise related to tobacco control?

Assistance provided	Yes
Assistance received	Yes

provision of technical, scientific, legal and other expertise to establish and strengthen national tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes?

Assistance provided	Yes
Assistance received	Yes

appropriate training or sensitization programmes for appropriate personnel in accordance with Article 12?

Assistance provided	Yes
Assistance received	Yes

provision of the necessary material, equipment and supplies, as well as logistic support, for tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes?

Assistance provided Yes

Assistance received Yes

identification of methods for tobacco control, including comprehensive treatment of nicotine addiction?

Assistance provided No

Assistance received No

promotion of research to increase the affordability of comprehensive treatment of nicotine addiction?

Assistance provided No

Assistance received No

Please identify the Party or Parties from which assistance was received or to which assistance was provided.

Assistance was received from WHO and Center for Tobacco Control In Africa

Please provide information about any assistance provided or received in the space below, including any support received from nongovernmental organizations (please, specify).

Assistance was provided on training workshops, advocacy meetings, development of the draft national tobacco control policy and strategic plan, tobacco control bill and enforcement plan, development of the national tobacco cessation clinical guidelines, mass campaigns, community outreach programs . Just recently, in late 2016 yo date, support was given to have a orientation meeting with parliamentarian, to launch to tobacco control act,2016, developed abridged version of the act, production of some copies of the act, development of the enforcement plan training of the enforcers, need assessment of tobacco control programme, development tobacco control regulations. Conducted training of enforcers on the Tobacco Control Act, 2016, Sensitisation of Hotel, Restaurant an Bar owners on the TCA 2016 and tobacco control Regulations 2019, Inauguration of the Tobacco Control Committee, Training of the members of the Tobacco Control Committee (TCC),

If you have not received or provided assistance in any of the aforementioned areas, please identify any financial or technical assistance that may be under consideration, if appropriate.

logistics support in terms of monitoring vehicle, capacity building of program staff still stands as major challenge. We need to enforce the new act and therefore mobility to facilitate our movement is very limited. Also limited funds for proper and efficient intervention programmes. These challenges still stand.

Have you encouraged relevant regional and international intergovernmental organizations and financial and development institutions in which you are represented to provide financial assistance for developing country Parties and for Parties with economies in transition to assist them in meeting their obligations under the Convention?

No ✘

E. PRIORITIES AND COMMENTS

What are the priorities for implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in your jurisdiction?

Implementation plan activities for the enforcement of the TC Act, 2016

1. Engagement meeting with the new government to support the implementation of the new TC Act, 2016
 2. Sensitisation of regional authorities
 3. Training of enforcer
 4. development of graphic health warnings on cigarette packs
 5. training of health care providers on the national tobacco cessation clinical guidelines
 6. to scale up both the training on tobacco cessation and clinics for counseling
 7. strengthen the mass media campaign and interactive film shows on dangers related to tobacco use.
 8. advocate for allocation of government resources for tobacco control
 9. strengthen the community dialogue and outreach programs on tobacco control
 10. support school intervention programs
 11. support the orientation of front line communicators on tobacco use
 12. support capacity building of program staff and health care providers
 13. support researches on tobacco control eg GATS
 14. support monitoring and evaluation
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Have you identified any specific gaps between the resources available and the needs assessed for implementing the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control?

Yes ✔

Please provide details in the space below.

the needs assessment on the implementation of fctc in 2012 addressed the gaps and the challenges in the implementation of the convention on tobacco control.

Though the gaps are slowly been addressed but still have issues like:

- 1.Capacity gaps
- 2.limited UN system participation on tobacco control apart of WHO
3. Limited NGO participation.
- 4.Limited support from Government as still no budget line created for NCD prevention/tobacco.
- 5.Limited financial resources
- 6.comprehensive tobacco control programme
7. Support research areas

What, if any, are the constraints or barriers, other than lack of resources, you have encountered in implementing the Convention?

Capacity development to meet the growing challenges faced by the tobacco industries and strengthening the community engagement. Tobacco Industry Interference.

Do you have any of the following products available on your national tobacco market?

- smokeless tobacco products
- water pipe tobacco
- Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)
- Electronic Non-Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENNDS)
- heated tobacco products (HTPs)
- Shisha Other

Have you adopted and implemented any policy or regulation that is specific to the following tobacco products?

- smokeless tobacco products
 - water pipe tobacco
 - Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)
 - Electronic Non-Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENNDS)
 - heated tobacco products (HTPs)
 - Other
-

If you have any relevant information related to questions E5 and E6, please provide details in the space below.

For E6, we have TC regulation addressing the issues of smokeless tobacco. See attached the Tobacco Control Regulations 2019.

Please provide any other relevant information not covered elsewhere that you consider important.

The issue of shisha is becoming a challenge and it needs urgent action.

Your suggestions for further development and revision of the reporting instrument:

we will suggest that the template be prepared and sent as an attachment so that it can be filled even in the absence of good internet connection because not all countries are opportune to have good internet connections. Confirmed.

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