

Using SDG 6 Policy Support System (SDG-PSS) in “Country”

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Overall status of SDG 6 at the national level

- Overall status of SDG 6 achievement (Achievements, key water- and sanitation-related challenges). Potential impact (how many people may benefit) if SDG 6 targets and indicators are achieved in your country by 2030?
- Target 6.1 – Virtually 100% at Baseline. Threatened by climate vulnerability of critical infrastructure.
- Target 6.2 – Virtually achieved following Pit Latrine Eradication Programme under Housing Revolution and Sanitation Project.
- Target 6.3 – Water quality generally good. Pollution low, however, few wastewater treatment projects. 20% centralized sewerage (primary treatment), 80% septic tank plus soak-away.
- Target 6.4 – Percentage abstraction is very low due to abundance of freshwater resources, however, high level of Non-Revenue Water (58.5% including 30% real losses).
- Target 6.5 – Room for IWRM improvement (enabling environment, financing). Lack of approved IWRM Policy. No water resource authority.
- Target 6.6 - Pristine water-related ecosystems. Legislation and monitoring in place.

National agencies involved in SDG 6 achievement

- Names of the ministries, national institutions, any other relevant entity:
 - Ministry of Public Works, Public Utilities and Digital Economy
 - Dominica Water and Sewerage Company
 - Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Blue and Green Economy
 - Ministry of Culture, Sports and Community Development
 - Basic Needs Trust Fund
 - Ministry of Housing and Urban Development
 - Ministry of Health, Wellness and Social Services
 - Ministry of Finance, Economic Development, Climate Resilience and Social Security
 - Ministry of Environment, Rural Modernisation, Kalinago Upliftment and Constituency Empowerment
 - Dominica Solid Waste Management Corporation
 - Ministry of Tourism
 - Climate Resilience Execution Agency for Dominica
 - Dominica Meteorological Services

SDG 6 target(s) and indicator(s)

- Most important target(s) and indicator(s)
 - Target 6.3 – “...Halving proportion of untreated wastewater...”
 - Indicator 6.3.1 – Proportion of domestic and industrial wastewater flows safely treated
 - Indicator 6.3.2 – Proportion of bodies of water with good ambient water quality

LBS Protocol needs ratification.
 - Target 6.4 - “...Water-use efficiency...”
 - Indicator 6.4.1 – Change in water use efficiency over time (reduce NRW)
 - Target 6.5 – “...Implement IWRM at all levels...”
 - Indicator 6.5.1. – Degree of IWRM

More collaborative approaches needed. IWRM policy to be revised and adopted. Formalize committees.
- Least important target(s) and indicator(s)
 - Target 6.1 – “...achieve universal and equitable access...”

Virtually achieved.

Reflections on SDG-PSS and its online course

- Contribution of SDG-PSS online course in using SDG-PSS and navigating its main features? Was the course helpful in using SDG-PSS or not? What is needed to improve the course further?
- I started the course, used the tool, then completed the course afterwards.
- The course is great, but the SDG-PSS is simple enough and self-explanatory. The user guide on its own may be adequate to teach use of the tool.
- The course is adequate and no major improvements necessary.

Relevance of SDG-PSS Components

- Most relevant components of SDG-PSS in the national context and why?
 - Finance – financing is often regarded as the preeminent challenge for Dominica in achieving water-related objectives.

- Least relevant components of SDG-PSS in the national context and why?
 - Gender – with virtually universal access to water and sanitation in Dominica, this component is not as critical as the others.

Summary Page of SDG-PSS

- 1) Other feedback or comments on SDG 6 in your country, other SDGs, and your overall assessment of the SDG-PSS.
 - SDG-PSS is a wonderful tool.
 - User-friendly. Excellent interface.
 - Presents outputs in a very clear and straightforward way.
 - Will greatly improve the process of collaboration and review during the SDG reporting process.