



REPÚBLICA DEMOCRÁTICA DE TIMOR-LESTE
IX GOVERNO CONSTITUCIONAL
MINISTRO COORDENADOR ASSUNTO SOCIAIS



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Vice-Primer Ministry, Ministry Coordinating for Social Affairs

Distinguished Members of the IX Constitutional Government,
Excellencies, Ambassadors, and Representatives of the International Community,
Excellencies, Representatives of Development Partners,
Distinguished Representatives of International and National NGOs and Civil Society
Organizations present here today,

Distinguished Guests,

As the Coordinating Ministry for Social Affairs, which oversees and coordinates six ministries, we bear the responsibility of conducting this regular coordination meeting with members of the Government in order to update and evaluate the implementation of programmes in the social sector and to address the challenges faced by the country of Timor-Leste.

In addition to this role, the Office of the Coordinating Ministry for Social Affairs has conducted regular meetings with the Integrated Planning Unit under the Ministry of Planning and Strategic Investment (MPIE) to review the results of the implementation monitoring of the Strategic Development Plan (SDP) 2011–2030. Through this process, we seek to identify where we currently stand, the challenges we are facing, what we have achieved, and to strengthen the Mid-Term Plan 2027–2030 under the three pillars of the social sector: Education, Health, and Social Protection, in support of the goals established in the Strategic Development Plan.

Excellencies and Distinguished Guests,

After several days of technical coordination and information-sharing discussions, today, on this second day, we gather together in this important and strategic forum with all our valued development partners. We stand united under one common objective: to strengthen our coordination and identify priority areas in which our respective partners may engage and provide support.

The Government of Timor-Leste firmly believes that all development partners possess valuable practical experience gained throughout many years of cooperation with our country, particularly in the implementation of programmes in the social sectors. Such experiences and lessons learned are highly valuable and may be shared through this official forum.

Excellencies and Distinguished Guests,

Statistical data shows that Timor-Leste continues to face serious social challenges. These include persistent malnutrition, a high rate of stunting, which stood at 47% in 2020, while our national target is to reduce this figure to below 25% by 2030. Regarding maternal mortality, in 2023 there were 143 deaths per 100,000 population, whereas our goal by 2030 is to reduce this number to below 70 per 100,000 population.

In addition, many people living in remote areas continue to face challenges related to access to clean water, sanitation systems, and food security.

Excellencies,

In response to these challenges faced by our country, the IX Constitutional Government is committed to placing social development at the center of national priorities, with a strong focus on human development across all sectors. This commitment is reflected in the following priority programmes:

1. Health Sector

Through the Ministry of Health, the Government continues to prioritize maternal and child healthcare, as well as primary healthcare services through the Integrated Health Programme (Programa Integrado Saúde – PIS). Efforts are being made to improve healthcare services for communities in remote areas and to address communicable diseases such as Tuberculosis (TBC), Malaria, HIV/AIDS, and Leprosy.

The Government also continues to strengthen services related to non-communicable diseases, including hypertension, diabetes, and mental health. In addition, the Government remains committed to improving pharmaceutical management, medical equipment, and medical supply systems, while continuing the construction of health infrastructure and housing for healthcare professionals.

2. Education Sector

Through the Ministry of Education, the Government continues to prioritize inclusive education, curriculum reform for elementary education, particularly Grade 3, and the development of a national curriculum for secondary education. The Government also seeks to ensure access to pre-school education, including preparation programmes for school readiness, while continuing to focus on the development of school infrastructure and housing for teachers.

3. Higher Education, Science and Culture

The Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Culture continues to focus on the establishment of higher education infrastructure and the development of human capital through doctoral scholarship programmes aimed at strengthening capacity development and improving the quality of lecturers and teachers. The Ministry also seeks to improve the data management system for higher education in Timor-Leste (SGDES-TL).

4. Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture

The Ministry remains committed to strengthening youth organizations across various sectors, promoting civic leadership among youth, improving athletes' performance for high-level competitions, encouraging community sports, and continuing the development of sports infrastructure.

5. **Social Solidarity and Inclusion**

Through the Ministry of Social Solidarity and Inclusion, the Government continues to support vulnerable groups, including the elderly, through social protection programmes such as *Bolsa da Mãe*. The Ministry also continues efforts to register and support people with mental health conditions and to establish and operate a 24/7 hotline service for victims of domestic violence and gender-based violence.

Excellencies,

As the Coordinating Ministry for Social Affairs, and on behalf of the Government, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all development partners for their continued engagement and support to the Autonomous Ministries and Institutions in implementing programmes and strategic activities within the social sectors.

My colleagues and I are here today to listen, respond, and take note of your suggestions, inputs, and new ideas. The Government remains committed to strengthening coordination, integration, and cooperation with all partners, while responding to the realities and needs of the people of Timor-Leste.

Thank you very much.

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If the Status is Resolved but the Resolution is not specified, raise an error to prevent the data from being saved

You must select a resolution.

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If the Status is Closed but the Resolution is not specified,
raise an error to prevent the data from being saved

An issue must be resolved before it can be closed.

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Resolution is specified, clear the resolution

Resolution

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Make sure the Status and Resolution fields are in sync

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If the Status is Resolved but the Resolution is not specified, raise an error to prevent the data from being saved

You must select a resolution.

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If the Status is Closed but the Resolution is not specified, raise an error to prevent the data from being saved

An issue must be resolved before it can be closed.

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Percent Complete: 0=0%, 1=100%

[Percent Complete]=0

Percent Complete is default - check Status

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If Status is changed to Completed set Percent Complete to 100%

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[Percent Complete]=1

If Percent Complete is 100% set Status to Completed

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[Status]="Completed" Or [Status]="Not Started"

If Percent Complete is between 0% and 100% and the Status is either Completed or Not Started, set Status to In Progress

Status

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This data macro makes sure the Status is set correctly if the Percent Complete is updated or it makes sure the Percent Complete is set correctly if the Status is updated.
Percent Complete: 0=0%, 1=100%

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[Percent Complete]=1

If Percent Complete is changed to 100% and Status is not set to Completed, set Status to Completed

[Status] <> "Completed"

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[Percent Complete]=0

If Percent Complete is changed to 0% and Status is Completed, set Status to Not Started

[Status]="Completed"

Status

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[Status]="Completed" Or [Status]="Not Started"

If Percent Complete is between 0% and 100% and the Status is either Completed or Not Started, set Status to In Progress

Status

"In Progress"

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[Status]="Completed"

If Status is changed to Completed and Percent Complete is not 100%, set Percent Complete to 100%

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[Percent Complete]=1

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