Technical R Training

We have successfully wrapped up our first LNOB trainings across 5 countries and are now in full preparation for the Technical R Training. We are planning on hosting this training in person with statisticians or analysts who have prior programming experience. The training will use the open-source statistical software R, where we will replicate the results on the LNOB platform and train participants to replicate the methodology on different indicators and if available different data sets. This will enable participants to use the LNOB methodology in their area of focus to identify and support the furthest behind.

New Indicators and Circumstances

Thanks to feedback from many of you we have a better idea of which new indicators to cover in the Technical R Training. If you haven’t reached out yet, but there is an indicator or circumstance that you would like to be covered, please do reach out to us by email right away.

ESCAP Social Development Division

This month our division published the Social Outlook for Asia and the Pacific: The Workforce We Need. The Report lays out the evidence and arguments for the urgent need to build a productive, healthy and protected workforce in Asia and the Pacific. In Chapter 2 and 4, we used LNOB analysis in the context of social protection. We wondered what would happen to furthest behind households and their access to productivity-boosting opportunities if universal and adequate child benefits were provided to all. Check out the results for Armenia, Cambodia, Kiribati, Mongolia and Türkiye.

What’s next?

We are currently working with the RCOs in participating countries to finalize dates and venues for the Technical R Training. If there are any colleagues or contacts from the government, UN or even private sector that might benefit from this training, kindly forward or put us in touch via email at escap-lnob@un.org.

Look forward to seeing you soon in our next training together!