

**2004 STATUS REPORT**  
**NATIONAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES (NSDS)**

**Survey**

Please indicate the stages of NSDS (see Annex II for the list of key characteristics) development/implementation in your country, by responding to the questions below:

1. Is your country implementing an approved NSDS or its equivalent?  
✓ Yes    No

If No, go directly to question #2

If Yes:

- a) Do you have a national body designated to implement and/or monitor your country's

NSDS (or its equivalent)?

✓ Yes    No

Please give the year it started: (The Sustainable Development Commission was set up in 2000)

Please also give the name and composition of such a body:

Sustainable development cannot be delivered by a single department; it is a cross-Government responsibility. To support this, every department has a Green Minister and a senior official with responsibility for sustainable development, for championing sustainable development in their own department.

The Sustainable Development Commission has a monitoring and advisory role - The SDC has a valuable role in advocating sustainable development across all sectors in the UK, reviewing progress towards it and building consensus on the actions needed if further progress is to be achieved

- b) How is your NSDS (or its equivalent) being implemented? Please give specific actions/activities undertaken for this purpose:

Implementation of policies is the responsibility of individual Departments through the use of the principles and approaches set out in the Strategy. Our Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA) for policy making now includes consideration of sustainable development as mandatory, therefore increasing the requirement for sustainable development evidence of costs and benefits.

The current NSDS is under review, with a new Strategy expected early in 2005.

- c) Is the implementation of NSDS (or its equivalent) being monitored and evaluated?
- Monitored on a regular basis (Annual report to end of 2003)
  - Not monitored on a regular basis
  - Has been evaluated (By Sustainable Development Commission and the Parliamentary Environmental Audit Committee)
  - Has not yet been evaluated

2. Does your country have a NSDS\* or its equivalent approved by the government but not yet implemented?
- Yes  No (We have an approved NSDS being implemented “a better quality of life” 1999)

If **yes**, please give the name of NSDS or its equivalent and the year of approval:  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of approval: \_\_\_\_\_

*Countries which are already implementing NSDS: please skip questions # 3-5*

3. Has your country already developed an NSDS, but not yet formally approved?
- Yes, a NSDS has been developed, waiting for a formal approval;
  - NSDS is under development.
- If your country is in the process of developing an NSDS, has there been:
- Multi-stakeholder consultations;
  - Training or workshops undertaken;
  - National coordination body established or designated?
- No, NSDS has not yet been developed but under consideration.
4. If your country does not have NSDS process (or its equivalent) in place, do you have any of the following components that could contribute to an NSDS (please check all that apply):
- Poverty Reduction Strategy (PRS)
  - National Development Plan
  - National Environmental Action Plan
  - Other – please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
5.  Click here if no action has been taken regarding NSDS or its equivalent

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\* For countries with federal governments, this may mean having a federal strategy for sustainable development.

6. If your country has developed PRS but not NSDS,

Does your country's PRS incorporates and integrates environmental, economic and social aspects of development?

Yes  No

7. If your country has developed both NSDS and PRS, is PRS linked to NSDS?

Yes  No

8. Does your PRS or NSDS addresses Millenium Development Goals (MDGs) in your country?

Yes  No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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