Preparations for the Population and Housing Census 2022 in Turkmenistan: Main Organizational and Methodological Plans

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On 25 October 2017, Resolution of the President of Turkmenistan no. 410 “On Taking a Complete Population and Housing Census 2022 in Turkmenistan” was adopted.


According to the Resolution, State Committee for Census Preparation and Conduct was created to coordinate and organize a complete population and housing census of Turkmenistan. Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of Turkmenistan is in charge of the Committee.

Working groups for the preparation and conduct of the population and housing census were established at the State Committee on Statistics of Turkmenistan and at the regional level (provinces, districts).
Complete Population and Housing Census 2022 in Turkmenistan Action Plan for 2018-2024 was approved, and functions of government bodies participating in the census preparation and conduct were defined.

Main methodological approaches to the organization and conduct of the population census were developed in line with the Conference of European Statisticians Recommendations for the 2020 Censuses of Population and Housing adopted by the United Nations in 2015, modified to suit the national context of taking a population census.
Population subject to enumeration as part of the Complete Population and Housing Census 2022

Population of Turkmenistan

Persons temporarily staying in Turkmenistan, permanently residing abroad

Resident population of Turkmenistan

Citizens of Turkmenistan staying abroad due to a long-term business trip as a government employee for a year and more
According to the Complete Population and Housing Census 2022 in Turkmenistan Action Plan the following activities are currently implemented:

- Drafting regulatory legal acts (Resolution of the President of Turkmenistan);
- Development and approval of methodological guidelines, census forms, classification codes (directories) and protocols;
- Updating the boundaries of populated areas and provision of road signs with street names, house and flat numbers (work continues with local executive authorities - municipal administrations)
- Updating cartographic material and maintaining an address base;
- Preparation to structures and households listing.
The census data will be collected using six census forms:

• **Census form 1** - contains questions describing a building used for residential purposes

• **Census form 2** - contains questions describing each residential unit and the housing facilities of a household living in this residential unit

• **Census form 3** - a checklist with the list of persons in the households subject to Population Census 2022.

• **Census form 3-I** - a checklist containing the list of persons staying at the residential institutions subject to Population Census 2022.

• **Census form 4** - is completed separately for each person residing permanently, residing temporarily, and temporarily absent from a residential unit

• **Census form 5** - is completed individually for each institutional unit
With the technical support of the UN Population Fund
- working meetings were conducted to discuss draft census forms with the members of the TurkmenStat Working Group, ministries and agencies of Turkmenistan

- an online workshop to make a preliminary estimate of the cost of the complete population and housing census was conducted with the participation of Valentina Istrati, UNFPA International Expert for Population Censuses
Thank you for your attention!