PCBS has organized a workshop on the System of National Accounts in the Palestinian Territory

The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) has organized a workshop on the "System of National Accounts in the Palestinian Territory", at PCBS headquarters in Al-Bireh, December 13, 2006. Many concerns and stakeholders from ministries, universities, local and international agencies and others concerns participated in this workshop.

The workshop was aimed to meet the following objectives:

- Updating the related parties on the progress done on the System of National Health Accounts and sharing with them the plan for the next steps
- Clarifying the importance of the System of National Health Accounts specially in the Palestinian Territory.
- Review the progress made in the 2006 in preparing the infrastructure for the compilation of NHAs, presentation of PCBS experience in health surveys relevant to system of NHAs .
- Reviewing the role of data sources in the process of compiling NHAs, and emphasizing their importance in preparing the data according to the system needs, with review to alternatives in data collections.
- Strengthening in an organized manner the roles of; PCBS, ministry of health, non- profit institution serving households (NPISH), and relevant private sector institutions in constructing the system for NHAs in Palestine, and to avoid any expected overlap.
- Setting up a priority list of urgent activities to be done by stakeholders for the sake of the project, and to agree on the follow up actions and meetings for the participants.

The Participants discussed the presented issues and provided their comments and recommendations to fulfill the national needs from the project.