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Realizing 2030 Agenda through inclusive economic transformation during Covid-19: Case of Namibia

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• Practical relevance of SDGs is made by domesticating them into national development frameworks: NDP5 (2017-2022), HPPII (2021)
• Launch of the Development Finance Assessment (DFA) Report in 2021, holistic approach on the financing frameworks in achieving SDGs, Vision 2030 and the NDPs.
VNR contribution to policy and programme reform to aid in recovery from COVID-19

- Environmental sustainability
- Economic stimulus measures: Addressing poverty
- Employment-related measures
- Enhanced access to public healthcare
• Key stakeholders; Government institutions/ministries, Private sector, Civil Society Organisations, Trade unions
• Stakeholder roles in implementation of the SDGs and nation development
• Multi-stakeholder technical committee: Representatives in various national platforms and committees
Challenges encountered in addressing development

• Slow economic growth as a result of persistent drought, Namibia recorded the deepest economic shrinkage due to COVID-19 in 2020.
• Namibia’s upper middle income status; a trap?
• Slow pace in growth of middle class
• Slow pace in vaccination, 15-16%, risk problems by investors for such a young nation
• The Boy child and access to education, magnified by Covid-19 crises
• Rise in suicide due to socio-economic positions
Measures and changes needed to strengthen VNR and addressing economic development challenges

• Encourage and ensure proactive broad-based participation in sustainable development
• Need for resource assistance and funding from regional and global development partners
• AfCFTA: Encourage intra-Africa trade
• Investment in human capital development
• Robust contribution to climate change
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