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***Standard Set of Questions for
Poverty Assessment Survey:
Challenges and Opportunities***

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Standards of Living Survey

- ✓ **Coverage** – *City of Minsk and its greater area*
- ✓ **Sample size is 6 000 private households – 0,2% of the general population**
- ✓ **General population** is a total number of the households residing in the Republic of Belarus, except for the residents of state institutions, student, pupils and military cadets dorms and shelters for homeless people
- ✓ **Rotation – 50% of the households**



Tools

Annual Periodicity

- 1-hh (basic) «Questionnaire for the basic interview»
- 1-hh (welfare) «Household Welfare Level Questionnaire»
- 1-hh (ICT) «Access of the household to ICT Questionnaire»

Quarter Periodicity

- 4-hh (diary) “Food Products Expenditures Diary”
- 4-hh (questionnaire) “Quarterly Questionnaire on Household Income and Expenditure”

Monthly Periodicity

- 12-hh (journal) «Monthly Income and Expenditure Journal»



1-hh (basic)

“Basic Interview Questionnaire”

- ✓ **Basic characteristics of *the household***
(household composition, housing conditions, satisfaction with the living conditions and quality of the supplied utilities)
- ✓ **Basic characteristics of *the household members***
(health condition, attitude towards sport and smoking)
- ✓ **Additional *thematic modules***
(access to the social infrastructure, health services, attitude towards healthy style of life, participation in the decision making process, etc.)



1-hh (welfare)

“Household Welfare Level Questionnaire”

- ✓ **Material situation of the *household***
(subjective evaluation of the material situation, changes in the material situation in the current and the future year, savings and its purpose)
- ✓ **Ownership of the *durable goods***
(22 items)
- ✓ **Household members’ opinions *on poverty signs***
(material deprivation – 14 items)



1-hh (ICT)

“Access of the household to ICT Questionnaire”

- ✓ **Usage of *computer***
(usage skills: copy, paste, sending information, installing the software, etc.)
- ✓ **Usage of *Internet***
(place of usage, goals and frequency of using internet, satisfaction with quality of internet connection)
- ✓ **Usage of *mobile phone***
(usage of the telephone, satisfaction with the mobile service quality)



Quarterly Periodicity of Data Collection

- ✓ **4-hh (diary)**
“Food Products Expenditures Diary”
(expenditures for groceries and alcohol, for restaurants, groceries consumption)
- ✓ **4-hh (questionnaire)**
“Quarterly Questionnaire on Household Income and Expenditure”
(all types of consumer (except for groceries) and non-consumer expenditures; all types of individual and family income)



SC (statistical classifier) 17.008-2016 “Household Expenditures” (1)

- ✓ *Implemented on **January 1, 2017***
- ✓ *Harmonized with COICOP **at the 4 digit level** in the are of consumer goods*
- ✓ ***Sections 01-12** – consumer expenditures*
- ✓ ***Sections 13-19** – non-consumer expenditures*
- ✓ *Successor of the Household Income and Expenditure Classifier*



SC (statistical classifier) 17.008-2016 “Household Expenditures” (2)

Groups and classes of expenditures that were missing in the previous classifier

- ✓ **02.3** *Narcotic substances (illegal)*
- ✓ **10.3** *Postsecondary Education*
- ✓ **12.2** *Prostitution (illegal)*
- ✓ **04.4.1 – 04.4.3** – *water supply, garbage collection, sewage collection system*



Standard Set of Questions (1)

4-hh (diary)

4-hh (questionnaire)

Expenditure QUESTIONNAIRE



Standard Set of Questions (2)

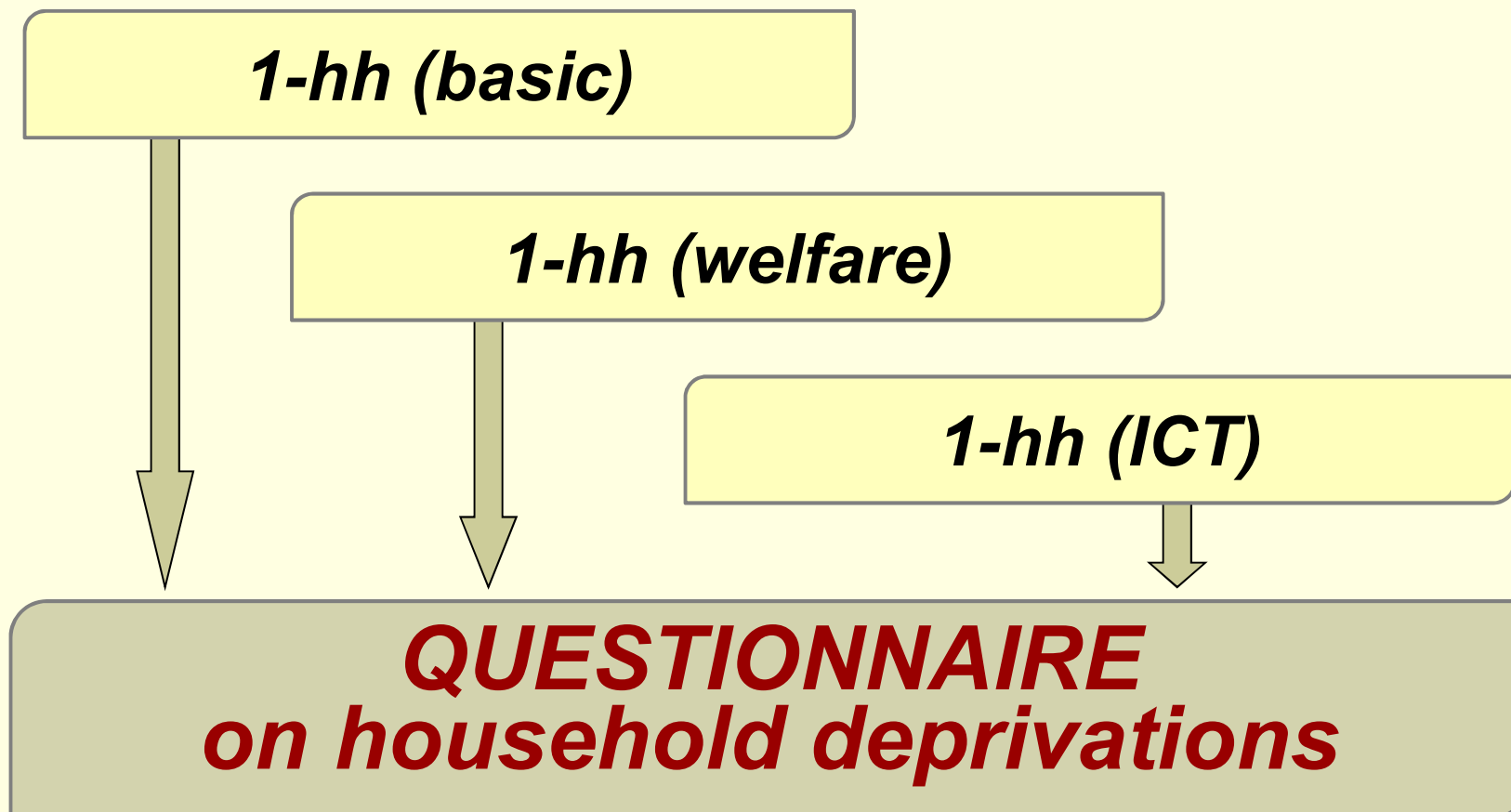
4-hh (questionnaire)



Income QUESTIONNAIRE



Standard Set of Questions (3)



Thank you for your attention!

