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Q3 Does your national development strategy include trade priorities ? (i.e. Aid-for-Trade priorities) **Yes**

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Q4 If yes, please indicate your Aid-for-Trade priorities: Below are listed the most common priority areas grouped according to broad Aid-for-Trade categories. Please rank the top 5 priority areas among the ones listed below. (1 being the most important)

Export diversification	1
Services development	3
Trade policy analysis, negotiations and implementation	2
WTO accession	5
Other priority areas including: MSMEs, Women's economic empowerment, Youth, etc. (please specify)	4

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Q5 Have your Aid-for-Trade priorities changed since 2016? **No**

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Q6 If yes, please rank the top 3 drivers of these changes :(Please choose no more than 3 options)

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Have these changes been reflected in your dialogue with development partners?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q8 Please provide names, titles, references or weblinks to policy documents relevant to Aid for Trade in your country.

www.moea.gov.bt, www.gnhc.gopv.bt, www.enhancedif.org

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Q9 Is economic diversification a priority in your national or regional development strategy?

Yes,
If yes, please provide additional information (including as to how economic diversification is defined and measured).: Diversification of export products & markets and focussing more on service sector such as tourism.

Q10 What are the main constraints to economic diversification identified in your national or regional development strategy?(You may tick more than 1 box)

- High input costs**
- High trade costs**
- Limited access to trade finance**
- Limited agricultural production capacity**
- Limited inward foreign direct investment**
- Limited industrial or manufacturing capacity**
- Low levels of training and skills**
- Small domestic market**
- Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)**

Q11 Please indicate in which of category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing you receive aid-for-trade support for economic diversification.(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Trade policy and administrative management** ,
- Trade facilitation,**
- Regional trade agreements (RTAs)** ,
- Multilateral trade negotiations** ,
- Trade education/training,**
- Transport and storage infrastructure** ,
- Energy supply and generation infrastructure** ,
- Trade development (Including investment promotion, analysis and institutional support for trade in services, business support services and institutions, public-private sector networking, e-commerce, trade finance, trade promotion, market analysis and development)** ,
- Building productive capacity** ,
- Agriculture,**
- Industry**

Q12 Does the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification align with the priorities established in your national or regional trade and development strategy(ies)?

Yes,
 Additional information on how the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification aligns with the priorities established in your national or regional trade and development strategy(ies).:
 Aid for Trade support is channeled through the Gross National Happiness Commission(Government institution responsible for national planning and aligning donors' support with national priorities).

Q13 Has your government recorded progress in economic diversification since the launch of the Aid-for-Trade initiative in 2006?

Yes

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Q14 If yes, please specify in which area(s):(You may tick more than 1 box)

- Export diversification** ,
- Structural transformation,**
- Industrialization, including manufacturing value added**

Q15 If yes, please also indicate in which sector(s): (You may tick more than 1 box)

- Agriculture,**
- Industry,**
- Services,**

Additional information on the sector(s) where progress in economic diversification has been made.:
 Services sector such as Tourism and ICT.

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Q16 In which category(ies) of Aid for Trade is the support you receive impactful for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Trade policy and administrative management** ,
- Trade facilitation,**
- Regional trade agreements (RTAs)** ,
- Multilateral trade negotiations** ,
- Trade education/training,**
- Transport and storage infrastructure** ,
- Building productive capacity** ,
- Industry**

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Q17 What factors contribute to the success of the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities** ,
- Capacity to draft funding applications** ,
- Country ownership,**
- Donor interest in specific projects/programmes** ,
- Institutional capacity to implement projects**

Q18 What factors may limit the success of the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors.)

Diverging priorities between partner and donor ,
Inadequate infrastructure,
Lack of country ownership ,
Lack of donor interest in specific projects/programmes
 ,
Weak institutional capacity

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Q19 Does the Aid for Trade you receive help mobilize other forms of development finance for economic diversification (i.e. non-concessional financing, foreign direct investment, remittances, trade finance, etc.).

Yes

Q20 Which development partner(s) are the most important source of aid-for-trade financing for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Australia,
European Union,
Asian Development Bank (AsDB) ,
Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF),
International Trade Centre (ITC) ,
UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP)
 ,
World Bank ,
World Trade Organization (WTO)

Q21 Which South-South partner(s) are the most important source of financing for your economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Thailand,
India

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Q22 Looking ahead, in which sector(s) will future support for economic diversification be most required? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Agriculture,
Industry,
Services

Q23 Looking ahead, in which category of aid-for-trade financing do you think that your government will require aid-for-trade support for economic diversification.(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Trade policy and administrative management
- Trade facilitation,
- Trade education/training,
- Transport and storage infrastructure
- Communications infrastructure,
- Building productive capacity
- Agriculture,
- Industry,
- Travel and tourism

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Q24 Is there any Aid-for-Trade project or programme for economic diversification that you would like to showcase as an example of best practice?(Please provide additional information and include weblinks as relevant)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q25 Is economic empowerment a priority in your national or regional development strategy?

Yes,
 If yes, please provide additional information on how economic empowerment is prioritized in your national or regional strategy.:
 Support to women entrepreneurs, youth and cottage and small Industry included in Aid for Trade programme.

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Q26 For which groups does your national or regional development strategy seek to promote economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box)

- Women's economic empowerment
- Micro, Small and Medium Sized Enterprises
- Youth economic empowerment

Q27 Does the national or regional development strategy propose any indicators to track economic empowerment or include any targets to achieve?

Yes,

If yes, please provide additional information on the indicators, or targets, on economic empowerment that are included in your national or regional development strategy.:

National planning framework.

Q28 Does the national or regional development strategy link economic empowerment to participation in international trade?

No

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Q29 Please indicate in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing you receive aid-for-trade support for economic empowerment.(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Trade education/training

Q30 Does the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic empowerment align with the empowerment priorities established in your national or regional trade and development strategy(ies)?

Yes

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Q31 How best can Aid for Trade make a contribution to women's economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

Improving access to information ,

Improving access to foreign markets ,

Improving access to global value chains ,

Improving the provision of services ,

Providing access to finance ,

Supporting rural trade

Q32 What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support women's economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards).

Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)

Business support services,

Banking and financial services

Q33 What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting women's economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities

Country ownership,

Donor interest in specific projects/programmes

Leveraging of foreign direct investment

Institutional capacity to implement projects

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Q34 How best can Aid for Trade make a contribution to the economic empowerment of MSMEs?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

Providing access to finance

Supporting the growth and economic development of women

Upgrading business skills,

Improving access to foreign markets

Improving access to global value chains

Q35 What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support the economic empowerment of MSMEs? (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Business support services,**
- Banking and financial services** ,
- Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards).**
- ,
- Trade facilitation,**
- Trade education/training,**
- Transport and storage infrastructure**

Q36 What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting the economic empowerment of MSMEs? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities** ,
- Country ownership,**
- Donor interest in specific projects/programmes** ,
- Institutional capacity to implement projects** ,
- Sufficient funding and appropriate implementation timelines**

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Q37 How best can Aid for Trade make a contribution to Youth economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Providing access to finance** ,
- Upgrading business skills,**
- Improving access to information** ,
- Improving digital connectivity** ,
- Improving the provision of services**

Q38 What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support to Youth economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Banking and financial services ,
Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards).
 ,
Trade education/training

Q39 What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting to Youth economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities ,
Country ownership,
Mobilization of domestic private investment

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Q40 In your view, can Aid for Trade make a contribution to the achievement of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda ?

Yes,
 Please provide a weblink to the relevant national strategy or policy document in which SDGs are referred to.:
www.ghnc.gov.bt, www.undp.org/bhutan

Q41 If yes, please specify which Sustainable Development Goal or Goals (SDGs) Aid for Trade can help to achieve.(You may tick more than 1 box)Sustainable Development Goals:

1. No poverty ,
5. Gender equality ,
7. Affordable and clean energy ,
8. Decent work and economic growth ,
9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure

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Q42 Which donor(s) are now the most important source aid-for-trade financing for your economic empowerment.(You may tick more than 1 box)

European Union,
Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF)

Q43 Which South-South partner(s) are the most important source of financing for your economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

Q44 Looking ahead, in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing do you think that further support for economic empowerment will be required.(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Business support services,
Agriculture,
Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards).
 ,
Trade facilitation,
Trade education/training,
Transport and storage infrastructure ,
Industry

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Q45 Please provide any additional information that you think may be relevant.(Please references in the form or weblinks, document symbols etc.)

Respondent skipped this question

Q46 Is there any Aid for Trade project or programme for economic empowerment you would like to showcase as particularly important for your country or as an example of best practice?(Please provide any relevant additional information and include weblinks as relevant)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q47 CONSULTATION (Other ministries/agencies consulted in preparing this questionnaire reply):

Gross National Happiness Commission