

Amiri Decision N° 25 of 2007
Establishing the Statistics Authority

We, Hamad Bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar,
Having perused the Constitution,
And the Amiri Decision N° 39 of 2006 Establishing the General Secretariat for
Development Planning,
And the proposal of the Council of Ministers,
Have decided as follows:

Article (1):

An agency called "The Qatar Statistics Authority" shall be established. It shall have a legal entity and a budget attached to the General Budget of the State.

Article (2):

The Statistics Authority shall be placed under the authority of the Heir Apparent. Its headquarters shall be located in the city of Doha.

Article (3):

The Statistics Authority shall aim at establishing a statistical system in the State and preparing the necessary plans and programs for the organization and supervision of official statistical operations. To that end, the Statistics Authority shall be entitled to exercise the following competences:

- 1- To perform economic, demographic and social statistical operations in addition to the statistics of work force and the annual and periodical statistics.
- 2- To prepare the necessary programs and activities in order to perform the surveys, studies and statistical researches and define the priorities thereof.
- 3- To design and apply the automatic system of statistical data and information in whole
- 4- To compile, classify and publish the results of the statistical data
- 5- To issue the annual and periodical statistical bulletins, supported by graphics as necessary
- 6- To prepare forms, schedules and samples and meet all the requirements of statistical operations
- 7- To use the recommendations and prepare socio-economic classifications according to the internationally applicable methods, concepts and terms
- 8- To approve the statistical data and the information that can be exchanged whilst keeping the safety thereof
- 9- To coordinate with regional and international authorities and provide them with the necessary data and information

Article (4):

The Statistics Authority shall be the official source of all the official statistical data and operations in the State.

Article (5):

A Chairman and a Deputy Chairman who shall assist the Chairman in his functions and exercise the competences delegated to him shall manage the Statistics Authority. Both shall be appointed by virtue of an Amiri Decision. The Deputy Chairman shall replace the Chairman in his absence or in case the position becomes vacant.

Article (6):

The Chairman of the Statistics Authority shall have the necessary powers and competences to manage the affairs of the Statistics Authority and achieve his goals. To that end, he shall perform the following tasks:

- 1- To establish the general policy of the Statistics Authority and supervise the execution thereof
 - 2- To adopt the plans and programs of the Statistics Authority and follow-up their implementation
 - 3- To supervise the administrative units of the Statistics Authority .
 - 4- To approve the Statistics Authority' s organizational chart and issue the administrative, financial and technical by-laws as well as the regulation related to the affairs of the employees
 - 5- To approve the Statistics Authority' s annual approximate budget and final account
 - 6- To accomplish any other missions delegated to him by the Heir Apparent
- The decisions provided for in items (1, 4 and 5) shall not enter into effect unless approved by the Heir Apparent.

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Article (7):

The Chairman of the Statistics Authority shall represent the it before all courts and in its relationships with third parties.

Article (8):

The Chairman of the Statistics Authority, the Deputy Chairman or any employee therein shall not have any direct or indirect personal interest in the contracts that are concluded by the Statistics Authority or for its account or in the projects it carries out.

Article (9):

The Statistics Authority shall be entitled to seek the assistance of whomever it deems useful among the technical experts, specialists and specialized offices and authorities, in order to be assisted in accomplishing its missions and achieving its objectives. Such assistants shall prepare any plans, programs, studies, researches, surveys or statistics that are deemed necessary.

Article (10):

The Chairman of the Statistics Authority shall submit to the Heir Apparent quarterly reports in addition to a detailed report about the aspects of the activity of the Statistics Authority and its projects, the work procedure and the Statistics Authority' s financial position, within a period not exceeding three months as of the end of the financial year. Such report shall include

the proposals and recommendations of the Chairman.

Article (11):

For any other matter not provided for herein or in the Regulation on the affairs of the employees, the employees of the Statistics Authority shall be subject to the provisions of the Civil Service Law .

Article (12):

All relevant authorities shall, each in its own competence, implement this decision that shall enter into force as of 12/6/2007 and that shall be published in the Official Gazette.

Hamad Bin Khalifa Al Thani

Emir of the State of Qatar

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