# Ethiopia

## Development and Progression Prospects

### Implement Information Communication Technology

The CSA's top priority in the next four to five years is to aggressively deal on improving its data collection, management and dissemination system by making an effective use of Information Communication Technology (ICT). Accordingly, the CSA has formulated a new service called Information Communication Technology Development Service (ICT Service) with a vision that pursues the following action plans.

The first action plan deals with improvement of the CSA's existing internal capabilities of the implementation of ICT for efficient accomplishment of its objectives. This includes the development of central data bank and the establishment of socio-economic database. The second action plan is to use the Woreda Net Project in enhancing the Medium Term National Statistical Program.

The accomplishment of this project will enable the CSA to be capable of disseminating the socio-economic data collected to users very easily and efficiently. This involves disseminating through an electronic media and via an Internet. The accessibility of data/Information will not be limited to national level but will extend to regional and International level. Moreover, the establishment of the Wide Area Network connecting the branch offices will facilitate the data analysis processes, which is done only at the central office here in the capital. Therefore, the scope covers all the branch offices and all the weredas through the Wereda Net and the International level through the Internet.