First of all, the Mongolian CSOs network for SDGs appreciates the Government for their cooperation and inclusion of the network during the preparations of VNR.

However, we have several demands based on our joint report on the implementation of SDGs.

- First, disaggregated data are still not fully available on all targets. No work has been done to plan and budget activities to implement the SDGs. The Government needs to ensure that all SDGs, targets and indicators are fully incorporated and defined in the Mongolian Sustainable Development Vision-2030, the Government policies and programs including activities and programmes of the various line Ministries.
- Because of lack of integrated policy approach, there are serious contradictions of interests within the government institutions and bodies at all levels, between the various line ministries; and between local and national development programs and projects, for example, the contradictions between mining and environment. The Government needs to establish a structure and mechanism to implement integrated policy approach to ensure coordination and coherence of various policies within the social, environment, economic and governance paradigms of SDGs.
- It’s common that the public interest issues which are supposed to be discussed and decided jointly by CSOs are attempted to be resolved by one party. Therefore, we urge the Government to institutionalize the participation of CSOs in the SDGs implementation to ensure our regular participation in developing, planning, assessing and monitoring of development policies. Otherwise you will continue to leave people behind.

Follow up questions:
1. What are the VNR follow-up plans of the Government of Mongolia?
2. When will the Government complete defining the targets and indicators to measure the implementation of SDGs?
3. What is the plan of Government for integration of SDGs into the socio-economic development guideline of 2020 and onwards?