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Summary

National Accounts Advisor: with over 20+ years of working with Government Entities (such as Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics and Kuwait Central Bureau of Statistics), and International Organizations such as International Monetary Fund. During this period my work was in the field of national accounts, where Building national accounts in several countries, that corresponds to the system of national accounts.

Professional and Work Experience

2008 to Present

International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Oct.2011 to present Kuwait Central Bureau of Statistics(CSB)

Sep., 1998 to 2008

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

Ramallah, West Bank

Economic and National Accounts Statistics

- National Accounts Consultant (Kuwait Central Bureau of Statistics)
- National Accounts Short term expert at IMF
- National Accounts Director (Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics)
- Economic Researcher.
- Economic Surveys.
- Macroeconomic prediction and analysis.
- Projects Coordination
- Statistical Report Writing
- Writing of Training Manuals for Special Studies and Surveys
- Designing and Development of Questionnaires
- Supervision of Fieldwork
- Training of Fieldworkers
- Standard of living and poverty.
- Food Security coordinator.

Work experiences and skills

National Accounts-(Main field of interest)

- Designing and building Computerized Systems for National Accounts Compilation.
- Practical and deep experience in compiling and processing national accounts data at current and constant prices (annual national accounts, quarterly national accounts, institutional sectors accounts).
- The ability of building supply and use tables and input output tables.
- Practical experience in compiling institutional sectors accounts

	<p>including rest of the world.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practical experience in covering the informal sector for national accounts coverage purpose. • Producing and writing training manuals and papers (Manuals and relevant documents) for practicing and compiling National Accounts. • Designing the Master plan for the Palestinian National Accounts, Sudan national accounts, and Kuwait national accounts Department to implement SNA,93. • Writing reports for the National Accounts. <p>Economic and Social surveys</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good experience in Planning, management and supervision of building official economic statistical programs (with applied experience as director of many statistical economic projects at PCBS). • Conducting training courses in Macro and Micro economic. • Designing and developing questionnaires for economic statistics. • Designing statistical reports on the statistical results of the economic surveys. • Long work on updating economic classifications according to international recommendations and classifications. • Good experience in management, supervision, communication and evaluation of performance for staff members. • Good experience in reporting skills, preparing financial, progress and administrative reports to the “Highest Administration”. • Experience in measuring and conducting informal economic surveys. • Leadership skills, since I am participating in different meeting and training courses belong to the coordination between different international. • Good experience in measuring poverty and other living standards such as (level of consumption expenditure).
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Work Experience

There are a lot of stages that I passed through my academic background and working experience, I will mention the following, including:

1 - In the scientific field

Where a specialized scientific, whether in undergraduate or master's is the economy, and practical academic assistant at Birzeit University in the field of macroeconomic and microeconomic.

2- Working in the field of National accounts and Balance of payments (Rest of the world accounts)¹

Working in the Department of National Accounts in Palestine, and then director of this department until 2008 (**it is necessary to point out that, in Palestine, two separate systems for national accounts compilation have been constructed: the primary system is for resident/resident transactions, and the secondary system is for resident/non-resident transactions – the latter are recorded in the so-called rest of the world account.**), I built the national accounts in Palestine in accordance with the 1993 SNA, I supervised the compilation and collection of national accounts at current and constant prices and in the various economic ways, I produced short-term-indicators (quarterly accounts), and institutional accounts including the rest of the world accounts, as well as issuing reports of national accounts and the development of various methods of disseminating the national accounts in Palestine, in addition to that my contribution to the development of forms and ques. for collecting data for the economic surveys and national accounts. and I wish to refer to the following:

- The ability of building supply and use tables and input output tables.
- Building and designing all the files that related to the rest of the world account. (Travel files, Household files, labor force files, economic surveys files, Education and Health files and----etc).
- Foreign investment survey, including:
 - Designing and Developing Questionnaires
 - Preparing the work plan and budget for the survey.
 - Coordination to prepare the sample, methodology, and the preliminary file of the survey
 - Training fieldworkers staff.
 - Supervise the data-entry .
 - Extraction and analysis of the results.
 - Preparing the final results and reports.
- Good experience in Planning, management and supervision of building official economic statistical programs (with applied experience as director of many statistical economic projects at PCBS).

¹ When a central bank compiles the transactions between residents and non-residents, the account is generally referred to as a balance of payments. Even though the presentation and some classifications differ, the balance of payments is essentially the same account as the rest of the world account. However, the balance of payments is construed as a separate account from the national accounts, but the rest of the world account is an integral part of the latter.

In both the balance of payments and the rest of the world account, all transactions involving a resident and a non-resident entity should be recorded. Therefore, the main results are the same. However, there are some differences between the two accounts, the most important of which are:

1. In the balance of payments transactions are recorded from the perspective of residents, but the in the rest of the world account, they are recorded from the perspective of the rest of the world, i.e. non-residents. This implies that all entries recorded on the credit side in one account appear on the debit side in the other account and *vice versa*;
2. Some items that are recorded as services in the balance of payments (for example *travel*) are identified as goods in the rest of the world account;
3. Contrary to the balance of payments, there is no overall balance, and thus no distinction between *above-* and *below-the-line* items in the rest of the world account. The overall balance makes the balance of payments suitable for analysis of the external position of a country, whereas the rest of the world account is of a more descriptive nature.
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- Producing standard training materials (Manuals and relevant documents) for practicing and compiling National Accounts.
- Conducting training courses in Macro and Micro economic.
- Designing and Developing Questionnaires for economic statistics.
- Designing the Master plan for the Palestinian National Accounts Department to implement SNA,93.
- Designing statistical reports on the statistical results of the economic surveys and writing reports for the National Accounts.
- Good experience in management, supervision, communication and evaluation of performance for staff members.
- Good experience in reporting skills, preparing financial, progress and administrative reports to the “Highest Administration”.
- good experience in the informal economies.
- Leadership skills, since I am participating in different meeting and training courses belong to the coordination between different international.

3- Working in the field of social statistics as a director of living standards and poverty department, where I achieved improvements to the department, such as improve the Ques. Of the expenditure and consumption survey according to SNA,93.

4- Short term expert at IMF

I visited Republic of Sudan 4 times in 2008 and 2009, 2010, 2012 where I designed and build, the data of national accounts according to the system of national accounts, and Developed a practical plan to move from SNA,68 to SNA,93.

I suggested many important technical recommendations aiming to improve and develop the process of preparing the national accounts by production and expenditure methods.

In 2013, I visited Amman , Jordan to provide technical assistance on national accounts statistics to the Central Office for Statistics and Information Technology (COSIT) of Iraq.

5. Working as National accounts Consultant in Kuwait Statistics:

Through my work in Kuwait can refer to the following major achievements: a- Building the data base for National Accounts (Construct the Compilation system for N.A).

b- Bridged the gap of the N.A at constant prices, and moving to a new base year (year 2010).

c- Various improvement such as: Capital formation, Taxes and subsidies, Rents, Separate the activity dimension from the institutional dimension, developing the methodology of calculating some activities and transactions, and covering some informal activities like education.

d- Recalculating the GDP at Basic and market prices.

E- Quarterly national accounts at constant and current prices.

Education:

Institution: [Date from-Date to]	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
Al-najah Univercsty / Palestine 1994 – 1998	BA in: Economics

Birziet University 2004 – 2007	Master degree: Economics
Morocco/2000	Poverty Analysis and Policies
JICA / Japan 2002	Training course of development Policies (Project Appraisal, Macroeconomic and Development Economics, Empirical Analysis, Microeconomic).
Rome/Italy 2006	Training course in Food Security.
Pavia/Italy 2007	Training Course on Economic Models and Forecasting.

Language skills: Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
English	2	2	2
Arabic	1	1	1

Working as Trainer:

Country	The Field
Palestine (PCBS)	Training Course on On National Accounts
Palestine	Relationship of the rest of the world account to the balance of payments accounts and the international investment position
Palestine	Training Course on economic analysis indicators
Palestine (Birziet Unevesity)	Academic assistance on Macro and Micro Economic
Palestine (PCBS)	Training Pcb's team on Stata 6 (computer analysis program).
Palestine (PCBS)	Training Pcb's team (General economic directorate staff) about the Palestinian economy and its interactions
Palestine	Training Course in Food Security.
Palestine	Training Course in the field of Expenditure and Consumption Survey and its Concepts.
Beirut- Lebanon	Consultant Workshop around the implementation of national accounts system, 93 in Beirut- Lebanon

- Membership of professional bodies:**
1. Technical committee on Non Observed economy Informal sector , labor force, and Economic surveys.
 2. Member in the National team of food Security .
 3. Member in the Advisory committee for National Accounts.

Other skills: Excellent Command in Excel , SPSS , Word , Stata , E-views, Power Point , IAS(Integrated Accounts System)

Other relevant information:

- Producing a research about Palestinian economy (direct impact of Israeli closures on Palestinian economy 1994-2002).
- A research about social and economic indicators in Hebron govern orate.
- A proposal of project evaluation (Vinawine in Dalat, Vietnam).
- Analitical study on FOOD INSECURITY ASSESSMENT BASED ON Food CONSUMPTION STATISTICS DERIVED FROM THE 2005 PALESTINIAN CONSUMPTION AND EXPENDITURES SURVEY.
- Analitical study on Palestinian Israeli trade 1994-2005.
- Palestinian workers in Israel.
- Research on Palestinian Value added Tax and its advantage and disadvantages.
- Analitical Study on Major Food groups in Palestine 1994-2005.
- Research on the role of PSE in development process.
- Research on CPI in Palestine (Methods to developpe cpi and prcices in Palestine)
- Economic Value of the Establishments in the Southern West Bank.

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