Assessing extent & quality of implementation

The IAT is designed as a matrix of 60 indicators covering:

- Overarching fundamental functions
- Elements related to receiving and responding to requests
- Proactive disclosure
- Records Management

The IAT assesses these government functions through the following components:

- Leadership
- Rules
- Procedures
- Resources
- Monitoring

Methodology

The IAT methodology includes the following:

- Use of local researchers
- Blind peer review of preliminary findings
- Focal group review of findings
- Carter Center quality control at every step of the process
- Comprehensive report inclusive of quantitative and qualitative data
- Multi-stakeholder meeting to share findings and identify priority actions

Measurements

Indicators are graded using a “stoplight” method:

- The administration has done well / met good practice
- There have been some efforts taken by the administration, but improvements are needed
- There have been insufficient or non-existent efforts in implementation

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