




# SCENARIO 1

## Ngobo District Political Economy of Evidence

*The Vice President of the country calls for an urgent meeting at which you have accompanied the Permanent Secretary, and you are representing your Ministry of Hunger and Poverty Reduction. In the meeting, the Honourable Vice President says he has just come from visiting Ngobo and was shocked and upset at the high levels of poverty he found. He **has therefore decided** to double the number of Social Cash Transfer **beneficiaries**.*

## INSTRUCTIONS

As an **M&E officer** how would you respond to this situation given the following constraints and opportunities? 

- a) The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has just released their economic growth projections which show that the economy is set to contract in the short to medium term because of drought, fall in commodities prices and maturing loans.
- b) All the eligible beneficiaries in Ngobo district are already receiving the transfers.
- c) Ngobo district is a stronghold of the ruling party.