

**Annex Table 7**  
**Major Goal Posts in Poverty and Social Targets set against the 1990 Benchmark**

| Target | 1990<br>(Benchmark<br>data) | 2000 | Annual<br>progress over<br>1990-00<br>(%) | 2015<br>(Projection<br>based on the<br>progress rate<br>of 1990-00) | 2015<br>(Projection<br>based on<br>criteria laid<br>down in<br>MDGs over<br>25-year<br>period) |
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**Indicators in light of  
MDGs:**

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|----------------------------------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|
| Income-Poverty                   | 59  | 50  | -1.5 | 37  | 30  |
| Adult Literacy                   | 35  | 56  | 6.0  | 88  | ..  |
| Primary Enrollment               | 56  | 75  | 3.4  | 100 | 100 |
| Secondary Enrollment             | 28  | 65  | 13.2 | 100 | ..  |
| Infant Mortality Rate<br>(IMR)   | 94  | 66  | -3.0 | 24  | 31  |
| Maternal Mortality Rate<br>(MMR) | 480 | 320 | -3.3 | 80  | 147 |
| Life Expectancy                  | 56  | 61  | 0.9  | 69  | 73  |
| % Children<br>Underweight        | 67  | 51  | -2.4 | 27  | 26  |

Note: 1. Taking 1990 as the benchmark year and extrapolating the progress historically achieved during the nineties, the projection is made for the year 2015. The results show that using 1990 as the benchmark year will render the attainment of MDG goals relatively affordable task (compare the last two columns in this table with the last column of Table 4 in the main text). The Government, however, has made a deliberate choice in adopting an accelerated social development strategy by setting targets with the year 2000 as the benchmark. An accelerated vision is premised on the 'progressive realization of rights in the shortest possible time'.

2. Adult literacy and secondary enrollment rate have not been included under MDGs as separate level target variable, and hence excluded here.
3. A reliable figure of the under-five mortality rate for 1990 is presently not available and hence excluded from the table.