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Item 4 consists of two sub-items:

- Item 4 (a) entitled "Issues of measuring social justice": The main theme of the twenty-eighth ministerial session was "Social justice in the policies of Arab States". Delegates considered aspects of social development, economy, natural resources and measuring social justice. The outcome document of the session, entitled the Tunis Declaration on Social Justice in the Arab Region, contains specific requests related to statistics in the Arab region. The Statistical Committee will be informed about a number of issues that were raised about the statistical measurement of social justice in document E/ESCWA/SD/2015/IG.1/3(Part I).
- Item 4 (b) entitled "Proposed methodology for measuring multidimensional poverty": ESCWA will present a proposed approach to measuring multidimensional poverty. The methodology is intended for a survey that would be used for analysis by various ESCWA subprogrammes. A summary of the methodology and a proposal for organizing the Pan-Arab Multipurpose Survey (PAMS) is contained in document E/ESCWA/SD/2015/IG.1/3(Part II). The full version of the technical paper on the subject will be presented in document E/ESCWA/SD/2015/IG.1/CRP.1.
