



three year survey period. Every sample household will be interviewed once every 12 months. The questionnaire includes questions on the demographic characteristics of each household member (e.g. age, gender, education, health), climate-related questions (e.g. retrospective questions on the 2009/2010 *dzud*, perceptions of the risk of future climate shocks), risk management strategies (e.g. migration and remittances, formal and informal insurance, strategies in herding), welfare outcomes (e.g. consumption, income, assets, food security, child anthropometrics), and policy-related variables (e.g. cash transfers, education enrolment, health service access, use of information sources). The dataset will be available to the scientific community from 2016 onwards, thus facilitating future research on these themes.



*During a household interview, Govi Altai, May 2012.*

### Beginning of data collection

In April 2012, team members from NSO and DIW Berlin conducted a pilot survey in Övorkhangai and Tuv aimag. Based on the results of the pilot survey, the questionnaire was adapted and finalized. Training for nine enumerators and three field supervisors, who will collect the data from households, took place in Ulaanbaatar in May 2012. Actual data collection in western Mongolia began on May 27, 2012.

### 3. Events: Kick-off workshop

A kick-off workshop was conducted in Ulaanbaatar on May 23, 2012. During the workshop, Chairman S. Mendsaikhan of the NSO announced the start of the project and three cars were handed over to the team of enumerators.



*Kick-off workshop in Ulaanbaatar, May 2012.*

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