



PROJECT LESSONS-LEARNED REPORT

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Project Title:	Support to the State Department of Social Protection in Kenya to review and update of the 2012 National Social Protection Policy (NSPP) and facilitate the dialogue between government and stakeholders in the consultation and validation processes of the Social protection Policy
Country:	Kenya
Related CPD Outcome:	33 - People
Project Description and Key Lessons-Learned	
Brief description of context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Technical assistance to the state Department of Social Protection and other stakeholders involved in the social protection sector. The review of the Social Protection Policy took into account what has occurred in the area in the past 5 years, covering the period 2012-2017. The NSPP is crucial for ensuring coherence between Kenyan’s main social protection interventions and other social sector priorities.
Brief description of project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Support the Government of Kenya to review and update the National Social Protection Policy (NSSP).
Key project successes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What have been the key successes of this project? We have produced a strong and succinct draft of the NSPP following several consultation and validation workshops as well as individual interviews with key informants in the relevant sector ○ What factors supported this success? Flexibility to accommodate new rounds of consultation, close support from UNICEF Kenya in liaising with government counterparts.
Project shortcomings and solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What have been the main challenges/ shortcomings/ unforeseen circumstances of this project? Changes in focal points within the Department of Social Protection which has delayed the validation process and changed some views with regards to the structure and some components of the document. ○ How were they overcome (if they were). Adding new consultation rounds ○ Were the project results attained? If not, what changes need to be made to achieve these results in the future? Final validation is still pending, and a new validation workshop is being planned. Important to note that this would be undertaken outside the project span and led by the Government of Kenya.
Lessons learned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What could have been done differently/ better? Set-up a team led by the government that would be in charge for the

	<p>finagling the drafts once they were received from the IPC-IG. This process could ensure ownership.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What would you recommend to improve future programming or for other similar projects elsewhere <p>Agreements need to be longer when they include validation processes. Convince the partner not to base duration of the UN-UN agreement on “rosy” or “funding informed-only” timelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What mistakes should be avoided if the initiative were to be replicated? <p>Work with a national team of consultants (perhaps regional specialists) instead of having just one national consultants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ How easy would it be to replicate the successes in a different context/ country? <p>We are currently working in a very similar project in Morocco where some of the lessons have been applied. Including working closely with a government unit that is responsible for the final draft.</p>
Follow-up Actions	<p>We are currently waiting for the government to schedule a new validation workshop that will be implemented as an isolated activity (outside the scope of the project) to support them to update and validate the current draft.</p>

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