**SDC Results Reporting Template (2017)**

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| **Project Title:**   **Development of Minamata Initial Assessment for Ghana** | | | | |
| **Name of IP: Environmental Protection Agency** | | | **Date:1st January – 30th December 2017** | |
| 1. **RESULTS PERFORMANCE/ACHIEVEMENTS** | | | | |
| **Project Results**  *State project results (outcomes of Output from approved project document or work plan* | **Indicators**  *The project outcome or output indicators as stated in the M&E Framework and/or AWP* | **Target**  *Targets agreed by project team on each on each indicator* | **Update on Results**  *A brief analysis on any relevant changes pertaining to the outcome or output achieved with respect to targets* | **Comments** |
| **Outcome 1. Enabling environment for decision-making on the implementation of the Minamata Convention created.** | | | | |
| **Outputs** | | | | |
| 1.1. Policy, regulatory framework and institutional capacity needs in regard to the implementation of the Convention’s provisions assessed. | A Task team constituted to review legal and institutional frameworks to identify needs and gaps for the implementation of the Minamata | Have a final report by the end of 2017 on the existing institutional and legal frameworks on mercury management and the gaps that needs to be filled for the implementation of the Minamata Convention in Ghana | An assessment on the existing legal and institutional frameworks have been completed by a legal consultant. The findings of the report shall be used for the development of the Minamata Initial Assessment Report for Ghana in 2018. |  |
| 1.2 Awareness on the environmental and health impact of mercury raised | Raise awareness on the impact of mercury on health and environment | Produce knowledge materials to be used in awareness raising awareness on adverse impacts of mercury on human health and the environment | UNITAR with the support of experts from EPA and UNDP have developed materials for awareness raising on mercury reduction. Materials are expected to be supplied to EPA in February 2018. |  |
| **Outcome 2. National Mercury Profile and Minamata Initial Assessment Report developed.** | | | | |
| * 1. National capacities to undertake the mercury inventory built | Train national experts to conduct mercury inventory | Provide national experts selected by EPA with adequate training and information to undertake nationwide inventory on mercury uses and sources | Seven (7) national officers from EPA, GAEC and KNUST were given training on the usage of the UNEP Inventory toolkits in undertaking mercury inventory |  |
| 2.2Mercury inventory conducted and National Mercury profile prepared | National experts to conduct inventory on national mercury releases | Develop a draft report on Ghana’s mercury use and sources | A draft report on mercury sources and uses in Ghana has been developed by the Mercury inventory team for stakeholder consultation. The final report after the consultation shall be used as primary information for the Minamata Initial Assessment report for Ghana in 2018. |  |
| **Outcome 3. Project Monitoring** | | | | |
|  | National Inception meeting organized | Organize an inception meeting in 2017 to begin project implementation | An inception meeting was organized in January 2017 for stakeholders to agree on the implementation strategies for the project. |  |
| **Outcome 4. Project Management** | | | | |
|  | Steering Committee Meeting organized | Organize at least 2 Steering Committee | 3 steering committee meetings have been organized in the year for stakeholders to monitor progress in project implementation |  |
| 1. **GENDER SPECIFIC RESULTS** *[Please report specific gender disaggregated results]* | | | | |
| N/A | | | | |
| 1. **PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION CHALLENGES** *[Observed or experienced challenges that are generic, related of not related to any specific output, which have or could affect the project implementation and propose a way forward]* | | | | |
| * Unresponsiveness of public and private institutions during national mercury data collection . This elongated the inventory process. | | | | |
| 1. **LESSONS LEARNED AND OPPORTUNITIES** *[Please describe new understanding or insights gained from project activities that can contribute to improving project implementation and future project design]* | | | | |
| * Knowledge on mercury and its adverse impact on human health is on the rise, especially among sections of the population that uses it in their daily activities. This presents an opportunity to increase the momentum on knowledge sharing on mercury to protect the populace and the environment from its adverse impacts. | | | | |
| 1. **RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSED ACTION**  *[Actions on any matter related to outcome, progress of outputs and corrective measure taken or to be taken with responsibilities time time]* | | | | |
| * Increase collaboration with the National Development Planning Commission and MMDAs to mainstream chemicals reduction policies in development plans | | | | |
| 1. **KEY ACTIVITIES FOR 2018** *[Please outline key activities planned for 2018]* | | | | |
| * Awareness raising on mercury reduction * Finalization of Ghana’s Minamata Initial Assessment Report * Priority setting for national mercury reduction. * Engagement of NDPC to mainstream MIA report in Ghana’s development plan | | | | |