

CPAP
Minutes of the Programme Board Meeting

Date: 11th June 2018

Time: 12:30pm

Venue: Office of the President Conference Room

Attendees

#	Name	Institution	Designation	Signature
1	Ebrima Sisawo	OP	Permanent Secretary	For: 
2	Fabba Jammeh	OP	Director Policy Analysis	
3	Nessie Golakai-Gould	UNDP	Deputy Resident Rep	
4	Abdou Touray	UNDP	Programme Specialist	
5	Bashirou Garba Jahumpa	UNDP	Programme Specialist	
5	Baboucarr Sarr	Consulting Firm	Consultant	
6	Buba Sanyang	MOLRG	Permanent Secretary	
8	Lamin Dampha	MoTIE	Deputy Permanent Secretary	
9	Naffie Barry Gomez	MoTIE	Permanent Secretary	

Absentees:

MOFEA – absent without excuse

TANGO – absent without excuse

MECCNAR – absent without excuse

GCCI – absent with excuse

Agendas:

1. Welcoming Remarks: Hon. Secretary General
2. Statement by UNDP Res. Rep.
3. Review of the Last Programme Board Meeting Minutes and Matters Arising
4. CPAP main findings
5. Discussion on the CPAP Capital Assets
6. A.O.B

Agendum1: Welcoming Remarks: Hon. Secretary General

PS Ebrima Sisawo stepped in for the Hon. Secretary General who could not attend due to some other important official engagements. He welcomed all member to the meeting and expressed gratitude for attending even though there are other competing and equally busy engagements.

He introduced the agenda that was reviewed as captured above and a fifth agendum was introduced by UNDP as; discuss the CPAP Assets as agendum5, which was unanimously agreed. Thereafter, the agenda was moved by MoTIE

representative and seconded by UNDP. The meeting represents the termination of the Programme Board hence, to reflect on the concluded CPAP (2012- 2016) with a view to do assess the overall implementation for which a consultancy was recruited by UNDP to undertake the the terminal evaluation of the entire implementation period of the CPAP. The consultant was therefore invited to present the main findings in the meeting for its validation.

Agendum2: Statement by UNDP Res. Rep.

In her remarks, the UNDP Deputy Res. Rep. who as well deputized for the UNDP Res. Rep explained the rationale for the meeting as the CPAP which programme cycle was from 2012 to 2016 had to be extended twice (i.e. 6 months and 3 months in 2017) just so that the it related activities could be completed but alongside the newly initiated CPD projects could be formulated.. It could be noted that the CPAP was suppose to have ended in December 2016 but due to the political impasse the country went through it was not possible to end as planned and could the formulation of projects from the newly initiated CPD 2017 - 2021 programme could not take place during the impasse period.

She further noted that this meeting was important in a sense that it would provide a terminal end and constitute part of the closing procedures, and neat transition into the CPD 2017 - 2021. Furthermore, it will provide the opportunity to discuss the assets, as there are new related interventions that UNDP has considered for adoption in the new dispensation.

Agendum3: Review of the Last Programme Board Meeting Minutes and Matters Arising

The draft minutes were reviewed with some few observations and corrections in terms of context. However, two key reports from the Ministries of Lands and Environment were not captured in the minutes. To this effect, the meeting requested these two reports to be included. The meeting minutes were adopted provisionally until full amendments are reflected and shared to all members for their signatories. UNDP therefore moved the motion to adopt and was seconded by MoTIE.

Agendum4: CPAP main findings

The consultant presented the report focussing on the key areas related to questionnaire responses from direct beneficiaries of the CPAP interventions in the different outputs, which provides a generic assessment of the programme impact in the targeted communities. However, the findings of the report focuses on relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, impact & sustainability of the CPAP and on the overall, there have been some achievements but the need to improve awareness was manifested.

A SWOT analysis was presented identifying respective levels in strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats and this could serve as a guiding tool for subsequent programmes outputs. In his conclusion, he pointed some key issues and qualifiers to provide reflection for the tripartite stakeholders; UNDP, Government and Beneficiaries.

There were two issues that came out from the presentation that involve the Banjulunding Womens' Horticultural Garden leasing and the Nyangen Pepper processing Plant considering the UNDP interventions vis-à-vis their current

status quo. The consultant considered these two interventions as poor economic decisions as the interventions had related decisions did not consider the economic impact of the option selected. However, MoTIE made some key clarifications related to queries made by the consultant as follows;

- Intervention in the Banjulungding Horticultural Womens Garden was to reclaim the original objective of establishing the centre (i.e. training and processing). The facility was virtually a white elephant and this was why a study of the centre was arranged to recommend alternatives in terms of full utility while engaging the women productively. A leasing scheme was proposed by the study and the Ministry went along with the option leading to what the current status quo of the centre in which the women are not only benefitting from the annual lease fees but employment and marketing of their local produce is assured. The leasing also do not constitute ownership but for usage of the facility only
- The Nyangen Pepper Processing plant was initially supported by the FISCA project under the FAO intervention providing and installing some machines. Thereafter, the issue of water came up and this was where the Ministry through UNDP support had to intervene only to find out that the machines that were initially installed could not operate.

It was agreed that the secretary (PAU) will send the draft CPAP evaluation report to all the programme Board members for their final review and possible comments to conclude this chapter.

Agendum 5: Discussion on the CPAP Capital Assets

There are a number of capital assets that were procured to facilitate the implementation of CPAP and some are with implementing partners while others are with UNDP. Now that the programme has come to an end, a decision is required to determine a suitable next step. Since there is a subsequent programme (i.e. CPD 2017-2021)) which modus operandi is somehow different but there is still need for utilization of these capital assets, a decision is therefore necessary for a smooth transition into the current programme. There was audit exercise that was conducted to affirm these capital assets and seven of such capital assets existed.

UNDP henceforth, is requesting these capital assets to be used into the current CPD implementation. However, UNDP has instituted a new reform that places a UNDP coordinator on one hand and on the other office of the UNDP Res Rep. Currently, the office of the UNDP Res Rep is using the vehicle (UN 1 CD) that was procured under the CPAP and they would like the meeting to approve the request to maintain this vehicle under UNDP management to ensure the use of this vehicle to continue with UNDP Res Rep to avoid additional procurement of these capital assets. It was further recommended that the other two vehicle and office equipment be maintained under programme/development effectiveness to save cost of buying new ones. The meeting approves the request to transfer all such assets to the recommended places.

Agendum 6: A.O.B.

No issue came under A.O.B.

The meeting was adjourned