

## Note-To-File

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The KIEIN Kuwait Integrated Environmental Information Network is a program created jointly with the Kuwait Institute of Scientific Research, KISR (Implementing Partner) and UNDP. The KIEIN project was established in 2009 with a 5 phases planned. Below is the time line of events:

- Signing of the project document for phases 4 and 5 on June 2012.
- On 22<sup>nd</sup> of Jan 2013 the Minister of Planning Dr Rola Dashti at that time requested the non-renewal of the 4 consultants with the project, with no clear reason stated in her memo to UNDP, attached.
- On the 9<sup>th</sup> of April UNDP sent the quarterly report of the KIEIN project to the minister with a request for a board meeting, attached.
- In January of 2014 the UNDP office and KISR had a couple of informal meetings to discuss the completion of the project activities. UNDP has sent a detailed plan to the Ministry of Planning (currently name General Secretariat of the Supreme Council of Planning and Development (GSSCPD) with the new allocated budget and tasks required to complete the last 2 phases of the project.

- In April 2014, the Secretary General of the GSSCPD Mr Adel Al Logayan had sent a memo to UNDP explaining that due to the CPD ending in 2014, the GSSCPD will not receive any requests pertaining to the KIEIN project.
- On June 2014, UNDP organized a board meeting with the GSSCPD to find a way forward for the KIEINS project. The meeting was held at the GSSCPD and included KISR, GSSCPD and the UNDP teams. The GSSCPD requested the KIEIN team to produce a plan of action with time frames and budgets to be completed by the end of 2014.
- On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June 2014, the KIEIN team presented to all departments at KISR the achievements of the project, showcasing the obstacles faced and how to make use of the environmental indicators. GSSCPD has also attended the workshop.
- On the 7<sup>th</sup> July 2014, KIEIN team sent there proposed plan to the GSSCPD, attached.
- On the 6<sup>th</sup> of August 2014, UNDP has sent a reminder to the GSSCPD regarding KIEIN proposed plan.

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