Closure Stage Quality Assurance Report

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Overall Rating:	Satisfactory	
Decision:		
Portfolio/Project Number:	00074117	
Portfolio/Project Title:	Capacity of Civil Society Organizations	
Portfolio/Project Date:	2013-01-01 / 2019-09-30	

Strategic

Quality Rating: Satisfactory

1. Did the project pro-actively identified changes to the external environment and incorporated them into the project strategy?

- 3: The project team identified relevant changes in the external environment that may present new opportunities or threats to the project's ability to achieve its objectives, assumptions were tested to determine if the project's strategy was valid. There is some evidence that the project board considered the implications, and documented the changes needed to the project in response. (all must be true)
- 2: The project team identified relevant changes in the external environment that may present new opportunities or threats to the project's ability to achieve its objectives. There is some evidence that the project board discussed this, but relevant changes did not fully integrate in the project. (both must be true)
- 1: The project team considered relevant changes in the external environment since implementation began, but there is no evidence that the project team considered these changes to the project as a result.

Evidence:

This year was about phasing out from the project. T he project team focused on ensuring sustainability fo r the CSO networks that have been supported throu ghout the life of the project. This approach was disc ussed at the Output Board meeting in September (s ee minutes attached).

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2. Was the project aligned with the thematic focus of the Strategic Plan?

- 3: The project responded to at least one of the development settings as specified in the Strategic Plan (SP) and adopted at least one Signature Solution .The project's RRF included all the relevant SP output indicators. (all must be true)
- 2: The project responded to at least one of the developments settings1 as specified in the Strategic Plan. The project's RRF included at least one SP output indicator, if relevant. (both must be true)
- 1: While the project may have responded to a partner's identified need, this need falls outside of the UNDP Strategic Plan. Also select this option if none of the relevant SP indicators are included in the RRF.

The project responds directly to Strategic Plan area 2 (inclusive and effective governance) and the RRF i ncludes at least one Strategic Plan Output indicator as relevant at "local governance programme pillar le vel." See RRF attached.

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Relevant

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3. Were the project's targeted groups systematically identified and engaged, with a priority focus on the discriminated and marginalized, to ensure the project remained relevant for them?

- 3: Systematic and structured feedback was collected over the project duration from a representative sample of beneficiaries, with a priority focus on the discriminated and marginalized, as part of the project's monitoring system. Representatives from the targeted groups were active members of the project's governance mechanism (i.e., the project board or equivalent) and there is credible evidence that their feedback informs project decision making. (all must be true)
- I: Targeted groups were engaged in implementation and monitoring, with a priority focus on the discriminated and marginalized. Beneficiary feedback, which may be anecdotal, was collected regularly to ensure the project addressed local priorities. This information was used to inform project decision making. (all must be true to select this option)
- 1: Some beneficiary feedback may have been collected, but this information did not inform project decision making. This option should also be selected if no beneficiary feedback was collected
- O Not Applicable

The project targets rural women and CSO and medi a networks in ethnic areas and the project remains r elevant to them as evidenced by the Output Board presentation and synthesis report from the analysis of the CSO micro capital grants.

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1	4-Pillar1_Output2_May_DoeKabar_Synthe sis_Report_2016_20173601_303 (https://i ntranet.undp.org/apps/ProjectQA/QAFormDo cuments/4-Pillar1_Output2_May_DoeKaba r_Synthesis_Report_2016_20173601_303. docx)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:31:00 AM
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4. Did the project generate knowledge, and lessons learned (i.e., what has worked and what has not) and has this knowledge informed management decisions to ensure the continued relevance of the project towards its stated objectives, the quality of its outputs and the management of risk?

- 3: Knowledge and lessons learned from internal or external sources (gained, for example, from Peer Assists, After Action Reviews or Lessons Learned Workshops) backed by credible evidence from evaluation, corporate policies/strategies, analysis and monitoring were discussed in project board meetings and reflected in the minutes. There is clear evidence that changes were made to the project to ensure its continued relevance. (both must be true)
- It is a considered by the project team. There is some evidence that changes were made to the project as a result to ensure its continued relevance. (both must be true)
- 1: There is limited or no evidence that knowledge and lessons learned were collected by the project team.
 There is little or no evidence that this informed project decision making.

The project's learning from its engagement with CS Os, rural women and in app development have been reflected in the Local Governance and Local Develo pment Project Evaluation (2016), uploaded in 3 abov e. A UNU research on the app is also being finalised and will provide a future direction for the app, as will a report on the sustainability of May Doe Kabar. Goi ng forward, these learnings will be integrated in the app and May Doe Kabar.

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5. Was the project sufficiently at scale, or is there potential to scale up in the future, to meaningfully contribute to development change?

- ③ 3: There was credible evidence that the project reached sufficient number of beneficiaries (either directly through significant coverage of target groups, or indirectly, through policy change) to meaningfully contribute to development change.
- 2: While the project was not considered at scale, there are explicit plans in place to scale up the project in the future (e.g. by extending its coverage or using project results to advocate for policy change).
- 1: The project was not at scale, and there are no plans to scale up the project in the future.

The project is to scale, although the iWomen app is not to scale and an expansion strategy for the app i s being implemented (see attached brochure). A gre ater focus has been on involving the May Doe Kabar at the policy level and they are represented on two o f the four technical working groups put in place by G overnment to implement the National Strategic Plan for the Advancement of Women (NSPAW). See May Doe Kabar Synthesis Report 2016-2017, provided b elow.

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2	5-Pillar1_Output2_iWomen_strategy_3601_3 05 (https://intranet.undp.org/apps/ProjectQA/ QAFormDocuments/5-Pillar1_Output2_iWom en_strategy_3601_305.pdf)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:36:00 AM

Principled

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6. Were the project's measures (through outputs, activities, indicators) to address gender inequalities and empower women relevant and produced the intended effect? If not, evidence-based adjustments and changes were made.

- ③ 3: The project team gathered data and evidence through project monitoring on the relevance of the measures to address gender inequalities and empower women. Analysis of data and evidence were used to inform adjustments and changes, as appropriate. (both must be true)
- 2: The project team had some data and evidence on the relevance of the measures to address gender inequalities and empower women. There is evidence that at least some adjustments were made, as appropriate. (both must be true)
- 1: The project team had limited or no evidence on the relevance of measures to address gender inequalities and empowering women. No evidence of adjustments and/or changes made. This option should also be selected if the project has no measures to address gender inequalities and empower women relevant to the project results and activities.

The project's team systematically gathered data and evidence through project monitoring and through the use of the iWomen app. The data has been included in the May Doe Kabar Synthesis Report 2016-2017, the UNU iWomen Report (uploaded in 5 above) and reflected in the Pillar Board report (uploaded below).

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7. Were social and environmental impacts and risks successfully managed and monitored?

- 3: Social and environmental risks were tracked in the risk log. Appropriate assessments conducted where required (i.e., Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for Substantial and High risk projects and some level of social and environmental assessment for Moderate risk projects as identified through SESP). Relevant management plan(s) developed for identified risks through consultative process and implemented, resourced, and monitored. Risks effectively managed or mitigated. If there is a substantive change to the project or change in context that affects risk levels, the SESP was updated to reflect these changes. (all must be true)
- Social and environmental risks were tracked in the risk log. Appropriate assessments conducted where required (i.e., Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for Substantial and High risk projects and some level of social and environmental assessment for Moderate risk projects as identified through SESP). Relevant management plan(s) developed, implemented and monitored for identified risks. OR project was categorized as Low risk through the SESP.
- 1: Social and environmental risks were tracked in the risk log. For projects categorized as High, Substantial, or Moderate Risk, there was no evidence that social and environmental assessments completed and/or management plans or measures development, implemented or monitored. There are substantive changes to the project or changes in the context but SESP was not updated. (any may be true)

Potential social and environmental impacts and risks are being successfully managed and monitored as d ocumented in the Output Board report.

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8. Were grievance mechanisms available to project-affected people and were grievances (if any) addressed to ensure any perceived harm was effectively mitigated?

- 3: Project-affected people actively informed of UNDP's Corporate Accountability Mechanism (SRM/SECU) and how to access it. If the project was categorized as High, Substantial, or Moderate Risk through the SESP, a project-level grievance mechanism was in place and project affected people informed. If grievances were received, they were effectively addressed in accordance with SRM Guidance. (all must be true)
- 2: Project-affected people informed of UNDP's Corporate Accountability Mechanism and how to access it. If the project was categorized as Substantial or High Risk through the SESP, a project -level grievance mechanism was in place and project affected people informed. If grievances were received, they were responded to but faced challenges in arriving at a resolution.
- Project-affected people was not informed of UNDP's Corporate Accountability Mechanism. If grievances were received, they were not responded to. (any may be true)

Evidence:

No unexpected social or environmental issues have been encountered.

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Management & Monitoring

Quality Rating: Satisfactory

- 9. Was the project's M&E Plan adequately implemented?
- 3: The project had a comprehensive and costed M&E plan. Baselines, targets and milestones were fully populated. Progress data against indicators in the project's RRF was reported regularly using credible data sources and collected according to the frequency stated in the Plan, including sex disaggregated data as relevant. Any evaluations conducted, if relevant, fully meet decentralized evaluation standards, including gender UNEG standards. Lessons learned, included during evaluations and/or After-Action Reviews, were used to take corrective actions when necessary. (all must be true)
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- 1: The project had M&E Plan, but costs were not clearly planned and budgeted for, or were unrealistic. Progress data was not regularly collected against the indicators in the project's RRF. Evaluations did not meet decentralized evaluation standards. Lessons learned were rarely captured and used. Select this option also if the project did not have an M&E plan.

The project has a written and costed M&E plan with a regular progress report data collected against its in dicators. Refer to uploaded Output Board report.

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10. Was the project's governance mechanism (i.e., the project board or equivalent) function as intended?

- 3: The project's governance mechanism operated well, and was a model for other projects. It met in the agreed frequency stated in the project document and the minutes of the meetings were all on file. There was regular (at least annual) progress reporting to the project board or equivalent on results, risks and opportunities. It is clear that the project board explicitly reviewed and used evidence, including progress data, knowledge, lessons and evaluations, as the basis for informing management decisions (e.g., change in strategy, approach, work plan.) (all must be true to select this option)
- 2: The project's governance mechanism met in the agreed frequency and minutes of the meeting are on file. A project progress report was submitted to the project board or equivalent at least once per year, covering results, risks and opportunities. (both must be true to select this option)
- 1: The project's governance mechanism did not meet in the frequency stated in the project document over the past year and/or the project board or equivalent was not functioning as a decision-making body for the project as intended.

Evidence:

The project has regular Output board meetings (age nda for September 2017 meeting below), and minut es attached in 1.

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1	12-Pillar1_Output_2_OutputBoard_Meeting_ Agenda_Sept2017_3601_310 (https://intrane t.undp.org/apps/ProjectQA/QAFormDocumen ts/12-Pillar1_Output_2_OutputBoard_Meetin g_Agenda_Sept2017_3601_310.pdf)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:47:00 AM
2	Pillar1FinalReport-MyanmarLGLDEvaluation- 080207_3601_310 (https://intranet.undp.org/ apps/ProjectQA/QAFormDocuments/Pillar1Fi nalReport-MyanmarLGLDEvaluation-080207 _3601_310.pdf)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:47:00 AM

11. Were risks to the project adequately monitored and managed?

- 3: The project monitored risks every quarter and consulted with the key stakeholders, security advisors, to identify continuing and emerging risks to assess if the main assumptions remained valid. There is clear evidence that relevant management plans and mitigating measures were fully implemented to address each key project risk and were updated to reflect the latest risk assessment. (all must be true)
- 2: The project monitored risks every year, as evidenced by an updated risk log. Some updates were made to management plans and mitigation measures.
- 1: The risk log was not updated as required. There was may be some evidence that the project monitored risks that may affected the project's achievement of results, but there is no explicit evidence that management actions were taken to mitigate risks.

Evidence:

The project has monitored risks and made the neces sary adjustments. Risks have been noted on the UN U iWomen report and May Daw Kabar evaluation.

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1	13-UNDP_UNU_Report_A_Study_of_the_iW omen_Inspiring_Women-Project_draft_11112 017_Q13_3601_311 (https://intranet.undp.org /apps/ProjectQA/QAFormDocuments/13-UN DP_UNU_Report_A_Study_of_the_iWomen_ Inspiring_Women-Project_draft_11112017_Q 13_3601_311.docx)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:44:00 AM
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Efficient

Quality Rating: Satisfactory

12. Adequate resources were mobilized to achieve intended results. If not, management decisions were taken to adjust expected results in the project's results framework.

Yes

O No

Evidence:

Adequate resources were mobilized to see the proje ct to its completion at the end of the current CPD, in 2017. See uploaded AWP.

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1	14-Pillar_1_Output_2_Civil_Society_and_Me dia_Workplan_2017_Q14_3601_312 (https://i ntranet.undp.org/apps/ProjectQA/QAFormDo cuments/14-Pillar_1_Output_2_Civil_Society _and_Media_Workplan_2017_Q14_3601_31 2.pdf)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:49:00 AM
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13. Were project inputs procured and delivered on time to efficiently contribute to results?

- 3: The project had a procurement plan and kept it updated. The project quarterly reviewed operational bottlenecks to procuring inputs in a timely manner and addressed them through appropriate management actions. (all must be true)
- 2: The project had updated procurement plan. The project annually reviewed operational bottlenecks to procuring inputs in a timely manner and addressed them through appropriate management actions. (all must be true)

1: The project did not have an updated procurement plan. The project team may or may not have reviewed operational bottlenecks to procuring inputs regularly, however management actions were not taken to address them.

Evidence:

The project has a procurement plan which it follows (attached procurement plan for 2017). Bottlenecks a re addressed with the Operations team.

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1	15-P1_Output2_Procurement-Plan_status_a s_of_20_Oct_2017_3601_313 (https://intrane t.undp.org/apps/ProjectQA/QAFormDocumen ts/15-P1_Output2_Procurement-Plan_status _as_of_20_Oct_2017_3601_313.xlsx)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:53:00 AM

14. Was there regular monitoring and recording of cost efficiencies, taking into account the expected quality of results?

- 3: There is evidence that the project regularly reviewed costs against relevant comparators (e.g., other projects or country offices) or industry benchmarks to ensure the project maximized results delivered with given resources. The project actively coordinated with other relevant ongoing projects and initiatives (UNDP or other) to ensure complementarity and sought efficiencies wherever possible (e.g. joint activities.) (both must be true)
- 2: The project monitored its own costs and gave anecdotal examples of cost efficiencies (e.g., spending less to get the same result,) but there was no systematic analysis of costs and no link to the expected quality of results delivered. The project coordinated activities with other projects to achieve cost efficiency gains.
- 1: There is little or no evidence that the project monitored its own costs and considered ways to save money beyond following standard procurement rules.

Evidence:

The project uses competitive processes to ensure s ustainability. The project is outsourcing the manage ment of the iWomen app to gain efficiencies. Attache d is the TOR for procuring such services.

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Effective

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15. Was the project on track and delivered its expected outputs?

Yes
 No

Evidence:

The project is expected to deliver its expected out. S ee attached annual work plan.

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1	17-Pillar_1_Output_2_Civil_Society_and_Me dia_Workplan_2017_3601_315 (https://intran et.undp.org/apps/ProjectQA/QAFormDocume nts/17-Pillar_1_Output_2_Civil_Society_and_ Media_Workplan_2017_3601_315.pdf)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:54:00 AM

16. Were there regular reviews of the work plan to ensure that the project was on track to achieve the desired results, and to inform course corrections if needed?

- 3: Quarterly progress data informed regular reviews of the project work plan to ensure that the activities implemented were most likely to achieve the desired results. There is evidence that data and lessons learned (including from evaluations /or After-Action Reviews) were used to inform course corrections, as needed. Any necessary budget revisions were made. (both must be true)
- 2: There was at least one review of the work plan per year with a view to assessing if project activities were on track to achieving the desired development results (i.e., outputs.) There may or may not be evidence that data or lessons learned were used to inform the review(s). Any necessary budget revisions have been made.
- 1: While the project team may have reviewed the work plan at least once over the past year to ensure outputs were delivered on time, no link was made to the delivery of desired development results. Select this option also if no review of the work plan by management took place.

Evidence:

The project regularly reviews its annual workplan an d makes necessary adjustments as needed. Update of activities as at August 31 and delivery plan Augus t-December attached.

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1	18-P1_Delivery_plan_Aug-Dec_2017360 1_316 (https://intranet.undp.org/apps/Project QA/QAFormDocuments/18-P1_Delivery_plan Aug-Dec_20173601_316.xlsx)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:55:00 AM
2	18-P1_02_Update_Activities_Aug31_3601_3 16 (https://intranet.undp.org/apps/ProjectQA/ QAFormDocuments/18-P1_02_Update_Activi ties_Aug31_3601_316.docx)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:55:00 AM

17. Were the targeted groups systematically identified and engaged, prioritizing the marginalized and excluded, to ensure results were achieved as expected?

- S: The project targeted specific groups and/or geographic areas, identified by using credible data sources on their capacity needs, deprivation and/or exclusion from development opportunities relevant to the project's area of work. There is clear evidence that the targeted groups were reached as intended. The project engaged regularly with targeted groups over the past year to assess whether they benefited as expected and adjustments were made if necessary, to refine targeting. (all must be true)
- 2: The project targeted specific groups and/or geographic areas, based on some evidence of their capacity needs, deprivation and/or exclusion from development opportunities relevant to the project's area of work. Some evidence is provided to confirm that project beneficiaries are members of the targeted groups. There was some engagement with beneficiaries in the past year to assess whether they were benefiting as expected. (all must be true)
- 1: The project did not report on specific targeted groups. There is no evidence to confirm that project beneficiaries are populations have capacity needs or are deprived and/or excluded from development opportunities relevant to the project area of work. There is some engagement with beneficiaries to assess whether they benefited as expected, but it was limited or did not occurred in the past year.

O Not Applicable

Evidence:

The project has benefited CSOs, especially rural wo men, as demonstrated by the May Doe Kabar evalu ation and sustainability concept note uploaded belo w and May Doe Kabar Synthesis Report 2016-2017 uploaded below.

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1	19-UNDP_May_Daw_Kabar_Sustainability_S ampark_concept_note_Q193601_317 (http s://intranet.undp.org/apps/ProjectQA/QAFor mDocuments/19-UNDP_May_Daw_Kabar_S ustainability_Sampark_concept_note_Q19 3601_317.pdf)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 10:57:00 AM
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Sustainability & National Ownership

Quality Rating: Satisfactory

18. Were stakeholders and national partners fully engaged in the decision-making, implementation and monitoring of the project?

- 3: Only national systems (i.e., procurement, monitoring, evaluation, etc.) were used to fully implement and monitor the project. All relevant stakeholders and partners were fully and actively engaged in the process, playing a lead role in project decision-making, implementation and monitoring. (both must be true)
- In the project (such as country office support or project systems) were also used, if necessary. All relevant stakeholders and partners were actively engaged in the process, playing an active role in project decision-making, implementation and monitoring. (both must be true)
- 1: There was relatively limited or no engagement with national stakeholders and partners in the decisionmaking, implementation and/or monitoring of the project.
- O Not Applicable

Evidence:

The country programme is implemented under the D IM modality.

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1	18-P1_Delivery_plan_Aug-Dec_2017360 1_318 (https://intranet.undp.org/apps/Project QA/QAFormDocuments/18-P1_Delivery_plan Aug-Dec_20173601_318.xlsx)	khin.thuzar.win@undp.org	2/11/2020 11:02:00 AM
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19. Were there regular monitoring of changes in capacities and performance of institutions and systems relevant to the project, as needed, and were the implementation arrangements⁸ adjusted according to changes in partner capacities?

- 3: Changes in capacities and performance of national institutions and systems were assessed/monitored using clear indicators, rigorous methods of data collection and credible data sources including relevant HACT assurance activities. Implementation arrangements were formally reviewed and adjusted, if needed, in agreement with partners according to changes in partner capacities. (all must be true)
- 2: Aspects of changes in capacities and performance of relevant national institutions and systems were monitored by the project using indicators and reasonably credible data sources including relevant HACT assurance activities. Some adjustment was made to implementation arrangements if needed to reflect changes in partner capacities. (all must be true)
- 1: Some aspects of changes in capacities and performance of relevant national institutions and systems may have been monitored by the project, however changes to implementation arrangements have not been considered. Also select this option if changes in capacities and performance of relevant national institutions and systems have not been monitored by the project.
- O Not Applicable

Evidence:

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20. Were the transition and phase-out arrangements were reviewed and adjusted according to progress (including financial commitment and capacity).

- 3: The project's governance mechanism regularly reviewed the project's sustainability plan, including arrangements for transition and phase-out, to ensure the project remained on track in meeting the requirements set out by the plan. The plan was implemented as planned by the end of the project, taking into account any adjustments made during implementation. (both must be true)
- 2: There was a review of the project's sustainability plan, including arrangements for transition and phase-out, to ensure the project remained on track in meeting the requirements set out by the plan.
- 1: The project may have had a sustainability plan but there was no review of this strategy after it was developed. Also select this option if the project did not have a sustainability strategy.

Evidence:

The project has a sustainability plan for May Doe Ka bar (concept note uploaded below)and is using this t o garner donor support to ensure the next, independ ent phase of May Doe Kabar.

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QA Summary/Final Project Board Comments

this project focus on the demand side of the Local Governance to enhance Civic Engagement and contributes to the underlying goals of the UNDP CP to support the development of mutually effective partnership with CSO, media and government. One of the core focus of this project, where major results have been achieved, is the support of poor rur al women to be empowered to understand and advocate for rights and public services which respond to their needs t hrough women-led, women-focused local CSO, and their federation as a national network. To this effect, the project has provided among others grants to 3 CSO networks, 7 media organizations, 31 TLG, as well as to its flagship MD K Rural Women's Network.

The main thrust of this project has thus been on strengthening capacities for collective civic action, women's empow erment and for engagement with state authorities, S/R governments and township administrations. In terms of the Th eory of Change, civil society and media have a critical role to play in development and local governance as well as p eace-building and social cohesion. Besides, the (previous and current) government committed to more inclusive and informed civil society participation, as well as the professional, ethical and organizational development of both media and CSO sectors to support this participation. However, practical opportunities for regular engagement and joint dial ogues of civil society or independent media with governments at local level was initially limited although expanding o ver the years, with a significant leap forward as of 2015. Increased communications, facilitated interactions and pract ical application experiences were thus needed for development of a shared understanding of the roles and means of civil society organizations and independent media engagement with local governance, planning, and peacebuilding. According to the independent evaluation, evidence was provided that the project "supported the emergence and stre ngthening of 7 CSO networks gathering a total of 1,206 CSOs" and these "networks have been supported in achievi ng three objectives: (i) strengthening their structure, governance and presence at township-level for increased repres entativeness and effectiveness; (ii) contributing to building core capacities of their member CSOs; and (iii) developin g interfaces and mechanisms for constructive engagement with government authorities".

The evaluation praised the project's contribution to strengthening state-society dialogue as the main 'historical/traditi onal' avenues for state-society dialogue were not representing the broader civil society. Furthermore, as per this eval uation report "there is evidence of numerous local policy decisions contributing to better development results and pro tection of right holders attributable to increased engagement of local civil society and media with government authorit ies" and the evaluators provided a few examples, emphasizing that "interestingly, the CSO & media networks suppor ted are working on developing the concept and practices of social accountability in Myanmar".