

PROJECT DOCUMENT  
Government of Mauritius



**Project Title:** Inclusive Development and Public Sector Efficiency

**Project Number:**

**Implementing Partner:** Ministry of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment

**Start Date:** 03 /02/ 2017

**End Date:** 31/12/ 2020

**LPAC Meeting date:** 18/1/2017

**Brief Description**

The objective of the project is to bring strategic and operational solutions to the challenges highlighted in Pillar I of the UNDP's Country Programme 2017-2020 for Mauritius, entitled "Inclusive development and public sector efficiency." Pillar 1 focuses on three components.

The first component is about inclusive development and is based on the Marshall Plan Against Poverty, which was recently approved by the Government of Mauritius. This project proposes key elements to support the implementation of the Plan. Three dimensions are emphasized :

- (i) consolidation of Community Development (CD) as a new approach to move from the current social assistance system to individuals, to a collective, structured and social change-led response at the local level; in this area, main support will be focused, at macro level (developing standardized and appropriate tools, setting up a Community Development Network supporting the scaling up of CD platform), and at grassroots level (direct support to two specific programmes in their successive steps);
- (ii) professionalization of field "operators" with a double focus on social workers (recognition of their prior learning, revamping of social work training materials, review of their legal status, operationalization of the National Social Work Council and so forth) and on the national NGOs (updating the legal framework, strengthening of capacity, restructuring of NGO support institutions);
- (iii) development of monitoring and evaluation tools and practices –for both macro and grassroots levels – in order to provide accurate data about the pro-poor initiatives (costs, outputs and outcomes) for measuring efficiency and effectiveness of the programmes and feeding decision-making and improving knowledge learning and policy dialogue between key stakeholders.

The second component deals with gender equality challenges. First, priority will be to improve gender mainstreaming in policies, budgets, legislative processes and institutional practices. To do this, the project will support the Ministry of Gender Equality, Child Development & Family Welfare (MGE) but also the new Parliamentary Gender Caucus which is a crucial lever to strengthen advocacy, institutional capacities and to generate concrete results. Support will also be given for carrying out women's empowerment initiatives and fighting gender-based violence.

The third component aims at contributing to the transformation of the public sector. In this regard, it will be providing tools to develop performance, transparency and citizen participation culture. Four priority areas have been identified: planning-programming-budgeting-monitoring-evaluation cycle, e-learning system, human resources management, and citizen participation.

Contributing Outcome (UNDAF/CPD, RPD or GPD): CPD 2017-2020 Improved public sector management supporting poverty reduction, social inclusion and gender equality is promoted through responsive strategies  
Indicative Output(s):3

<b>Total resources:</b>	US\$ 3,359,950	
	<b>UNDP TRAC:</b>	938,400
	<b>AfDB</b>	28,000
	<b>CRS/F, Others</b>	1, 493,550
	<b>Government:</b>	900,000
	<b>In-Kind from Ministry: Office space and logistics for the experts</b>	TBC
<b>Unfunded:</b>		

Agreed by (signatures):

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