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MID-YEAR PROGRESS REPORT 2017

SECTION 1 TO 5: TO BE COMPLETED BY UNDP MALAYSIA

1. PROJECT DETAILS	
Project Title: UNDP'S Support Programme in Developing B40 Action Plan	Award ID: 00098147 Project ID: 00101580 Project Period (Project Document): Sept 2016 – Jun 2017 Revised Project End Date (If Any): Dec 2017
Implementing Partner: Economic Planning Unit	

2. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	
2017 AWP Budget: USD143,479 2017 Expenditure - As of 15 June: USD 13,959.60 2017 Expenditure - As of 15 June (%): 9.7%	Total Project Budget: USD390,000 Total Cumulative Expenditure: USD 196,423.05 Total Cumulative Expenditure (%): 50.4%

(to be updated by PM)

3. PROJECT OVERSIGHT	
NSC: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Minutes (Attached): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NSC Date: 5 Aug 2016 NSC Chair & Designation: Y Bhg Dato' Nik Azman Nik Abdul Majid Deputy Director General (Policy)

4. RISK LOG MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING	
Risk Log Reviewed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Risk Log Amended: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Last Log Update: - Last Log Amendment: - [Note: No change to risks identified]

5. AUDIT AND EVALUATION	
HACT Audit: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Report (Attached): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Rating:	Project Evaluation: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Report (Attached): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Rating:



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SECTION 6 TO 8: TO BE COMPLETED BY IMPLEMENTING PARTNER

6. 2017 OUTPUT TARGETS AND STATUS -- AS PER AWP	
Output 1: Open Space Forums Conducted	
<p>Target: Series of Open Space consultations have been organised in 6 zones: Central, Northern, Eastern, Southern, Sabah & Sarawak. Additional 2 OSTs were held, each for Orang Asli and PWD stakeholders.</p>	<p>Status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On Track <input type="checkbox"/> Off Track</p> <p>Details: The organization of 6 consultation (at each zone) coordinated by UNDP was supported by EPU and ICU in terms of mobilizing B40 participants using the e-Kasih database (70% of invited participants). Local NGOs also supported in getting the targeted 30% of participants. The consultations were conducted using the Open Space Technology (OST) methodology. The OST was complemented with in-depth interviews as well as short messages from the community using camera / video recording. During the consultation sessions, UKM also conducted their own survey to input into the project later.</p> <p>All 8 OST consultation sessions were completed between the period September – November 2016, within the project timeline.</p>
Output 2: B40 Action Plan developed	
<p>Target: B40 Action Plan submitted and presented to National Development Planning Committee/Cabinet Meeting for approval.</p>	<p>Status: <input type="checkbox"/> On Track <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Off Track</p> <p>Details: The development of draft B40 Action Plan is in its final stage – incorporating and analyzing various sources of inputs, namely from B40 Open Space Technology (OST) report prepared by OST consultant, B40 OST expert rapporteur report by Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM), B40 OST Analysis report from the OST sessions by third party consultant (PE Research), as well as from various B40 programmes/projects by the relevant Ministries/agencies.</p> <p>These inputs are important in developing a comprehensive B40 action plan analysis. This would also help the consultant to draft recommendations for the B40 Action Plan comprising of impactful interventions with effective monitoring and evaluation mechanisms.</p> <p>The B40 Action Plan was expected to be completed by April 2017 (refer to Section 7 for reasons for delay)</p>

7. ISSUES AND CHALLENGES
<p>Description: Delay in finalising the development of B40 Action Plan.</p> <p>The consultant has presented the preliminary analysis of the inputs received from the B40 consultations to EPU in April 2017 and was scheduled to submit the first draft report by end of April 2017, as per agreed project milestone. However, at the same time, the same consultant was appointed by EPU in May to support the development of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Roadmap. Work on the Malaysia's SDG Roadmap had to be prioritise as Malaysia was due to present it at the UN headquarters in New York in July. Hence, the delivery</p>



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of the B40 Action Plan by the consultant had to be postponed until after the SDG Roadmap could be completed, which led to the delay.

Nevertheless, the consultant was able to submit the final draft report on 7 June 2016.

Action Taken by implementing Partner:

EPU has studied the B40 OST expert rapporteur report by UKM which was a compilation of the main issues and recommendations / interventions as brought up by the B40 community at the OST consultation sessions based on their needs and aspirations. This report will be utilized as an input to assist EPU in developing more inclusive and targeted interventions. The final draft Action Plan will be presented to stakeholders at Ministry/agency level in order to gather inputs and feedback.

The consultant has present the draft final report including the proposed Action Plan, comprising interventions to address costs of living issues and economic potentials among the B40 households, on 21 July 2017. Based on the discussion on the presentation, the consultant is requested to improvise the draft final report, by incorporating the following elements:

- a) analysis on the trends of households' expenditures/ consumption/ non-income;
- b) the latest household income group/categorization;
- c) clarity of presentation of the problem tree analysis;
- d) the proposed Action Plan to be refined by including details namely type of programs, output, outcome, target group, ministries involved etc, in the aspects of overcoming the costs of living issues and raising economic potentials among the B40 households;
- e) issues of non-income to support the costs of living and B40 Action Plan; and
- f) detail analysis on the strategies to mobilise economic potential and improve the wellbeing of the B40. This component will be utilized for the preparation of the Mid Term Review of the Eleventh Malaysia Plan, after the completion of the B40 Action Plan.

Additional Support Requested from UNDP/ EPU:



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8. LINKAGE TO THE 11TH MALAYSIA PLAN: 2016

a. The project outputs will contribute to the following 11th Malaysia Plan Strategic Thrusts.

STRATEGIC THRUSTS (Mandatory)	
	Enhancing inclusiveness towards an equitable society
	Improving wellbeing for all
	Accelerating human capital development for an advanced nation
	Pursuing green growth for sustainability and resilience
	Strengthening infrastructure to support economic expansion
	Re-engineering economic growth for greater prosperity

GAME CHANGERS (If Applicable)	
	Unlocking the potential of productivity
	Uplifting B40 households towards a middle-class society
	Enabling industry-led Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET)
	Embarking on green growth
	Translating innovation to wealth
	Investing in competitive cities

b. The project outputs will contribute to the following 11th Malaysia Plan Key Focus Area (Bidang Fokus Utama)?
(please state the specific focus area)

Thrust Strategic 1: Enhancing inclusiveness towards an equitable society
 BF A: Elevating B40 households towards a middle class society
 BF B: Empowering communities for a productive and prosperous society
 BF C: Transforming rural areas to uplift wellbeing of rural communities
 BF E: Enhancing Bumiputera Economic Community (BEC) opportunities to increase wealth ownership

Thrust Strategic 2: Improving wellbeing for all
 BF A: Achieving universal access to quality healthcare
 BF B: Providing adequate and quality affordable housing to poor, low- and middle-income group
 BF C: Creating safer living environments for thriving communities
 BF E: Enculturating the spirit of 1Malaysia to foster social cohesion and national unity
 BF F: Promoting sports for healthy living and unity

Thrust Strategic 3: Accelerating human capital development for an advanced nation
 BF C: Strengthening lifelong learning for skills enhancement
 BF D: Improving the quality of education for better student outcomes and institutional excellence

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