

MONITORING REPORT ON PROJECT VISIT

PROJECT ID AND TITLE: 00072626 “Integrated Water Resources Management and Water Efficiency Plan for Zarafshan River Basin”

PROJECT DURATION: January 2010-December 2014

DATE OF THE VISIT: April 21-23, 2019

LOCATION OF THE VISIT: Field visit, Samarkand and Navoi Regions

SOURCE FUNDING: IWRM Project

PURPOSE OF THE VISIT: Regular monitoring visit

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OTHER PARTNERS:

BENEFICIARIES MET: Mr. S. Khamraev, Deputy Khokim of Navoi Region,
Mr. Alisher Rashidov, First Deputy Khokim of Karmana District of Navoi Region,
Mr. Norpulat Narziev, Leading specialist of Karmana_Konimekh Irrigation System,
Mr. Iborhim Ruzikulov, Director of Pump Station Mekhnatabad 3
Mr. Juraql Toshmirzaev, Director of the Secondary School #25 in Nurabad village
Mr. Abdusalim Mamatov, Director of the Secondary School #10 in Kanal Yoqa village

1. PROJECT MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

	YES	NO	N/A	FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS
1. GENERAL				
• Project office environment & working conditions are adequate				
2. ATLAS UPDATES				
<p><i>Before visiting the project, the programme focal point has to visit the Executive Snapshot/ATLAS Project Management Module</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress report is updated in ATLAS • Risk logs is updated in ATLAS by PM and management response by Programme Officer / programme focal point • Lessons learned are reflected appropriately (offline in the programme files) <p>If ATLAS updates are not available, the project visit will help to identify why the updates are not made in timely manner by the Project manager and team</p>				N/A
3. FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT <i>[to be completed at least once a year per project, these issues are monitored to ensure that minimum project requirements are met]</i>				
E-filing System is established and maintained in compliance with				N/A

<p>UNDP procedures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MINIMUM DOCUMENTS must be available electronically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Copy of the signed Prodoc with TORs for all project staff ○ AWP, copies of signed CDRs for each year and other financial documents (if donor cost-shared) ○ Copies of Annual Project Reviews, Minutes of the Project Board meetings and other relevant meetings ○ Donors reports, Technical Reports (depending on the donor requirements, e.g. GEF, TTF, EC, bilateral, etc.) or specific type of the reports, like Feasibility Study or Policy Analysis, etc.) ○ Copies of project staff attendance and leave monitoring records (properly completed and signed). Monthly attendance reports of each project staff member have to be cleared by direct supervisor and submitted to the UNDP HR Unit at the beginning of each month. ○ Copies of transfer documents (if applicable) • Project shadow budget is kept up-to-date ensuring that expenditures are reconciled/updated after the actual payments are made. • Private telephone/international calls are duly registered and recovered by relevant project staff; • Cost-recovery monitoring system is in place (ISS). • Supporting docs on travel matters and back to office reports • COMIS Asset Management page and NEPL are maintained up-to-date 				N/A
4. LEARNING AND TRAINING				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All project staff have passed the Basic security and Advanced security in the field training courses • Any capacity development activities envisaged (SEF should indicate clear learning plan) for each project staff • If there is a need for additional training and which area? 				N/A

2. PROGRESS TOWARDS RESULTS & PROJECT ACTIVITIES

[Specify and describe your findings under the following areas, or mark as N/A if not relevant]

<p>Contribution made towards the strategic goals set out at the outcome level? Progress made towards the project output(s)?</p>
<p>This section has been highlighted during Project office monitoring visit</p>
<p>Progress made towards the annual targets? Any deviation from the AWP or annual targets set?</p>
<p>No deviation from annual targets</p>
<p>Any outstanding issues / challenges faced by the project that need attention and follow-up from the CO (project staff concerns)?</p>
<p>No</p>

Beneficiaries met (2-3) to assess the work of the project?
<p>In Samarkand Region Mekhnatobod – 3 Machine Chanel site was visited. Construction of channel has been completed in December 2013. During visit new channel and hydro technical facilities and pump station have been observed. At the time of visit the channel was fully functioning. Mr. Ibrohim Rozikulov informed about improvements water supply after construction of channel and renovation of pump. Currently there were no any issues in water supply among farmers in this area. In addition, territory of irrigated area was increased due to construction of new channel.</p> <p>Nurabod, Novbog and Kanal Yoqa villages were visited were activities within EDM component were implemented. Within this component in Nurabad and Kanal Yoqa drinking water supply system was established. As for sanitation objectives, the project has built wash-hand-stands for pupils and teachers of three public schools of Nurabod (#25), Novbog(#11) and Kanal Yoqa (#10), ensuring some water saving. Representatives of schools supported work done within project.</p> <p>In Navoi Region preliminary selection of pilot sites for EDM IV phase (Integrated water supply use, drainage and management) has been done. During visit meeting with Mr. S. Khamraev, Deputy Khokim of Navoi Region, Mr. Alisher Rashidov, First Deputy Khokim of Karmana District of Navoi Region, Mr. Norpulat Narziev, Leading specialist of Karmana-Konimekh Irrigation System was conducted and planned work has been discussed. This new initiative was fully supported from their side and support in future implementation was also ensured.</p>
Synergies with other projects/programmes?
N/A
Partnership arrangements with national and international agencies?
Project closely works with a number of national partners such local administration in Samarkand and Navoi regions
Follow-up on mid-term review/evaluation findings (if any)?
N/A
Gender mainstreaming - all data collected during project is disaggregated by gender (list of participations, research baselines, etc.)?
Women were actively involved during implementation of project activities in pilot sites especially in community level activities within EDM component
Verification of the reported results (annual or quarterly reports)? Data collection methods assured?
Yes

3. PROJECT PERFORMANCE (IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES)


List the main implementation challenges and propose a way forward (concerning general issues that are not related to specific outputs).
N/A

4. LESSONS LEARNED


Describe briefly <u>key lessons learned</u> observed during the project implementation / monitoring visit (successes, shortcomings and recommended solutions).
N/A

5. FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS

Follow-up actions [concludes and summarizes the above sections into actions points]	Responsible person and date of completion
During visit of EDM IV pilot site in Navoi Region preliminary selection has been done and discussion on development of area's map and coordination of future steps on implementation has been conducted. The mentioned activities to be implemented as planned.	Project staff

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