



United Nations Development Programme

Country: Viet Nam

Annual Work Plan 2016

Project Title: *Strengthening capacity for human development policy making in Vietnam*

UNDAF Outcome(s): One Plan 2006-2012 Focus Area 1: Inclusive, equitable and sustainable growth;

Expected CP Outcome(s): OP3 Outcome 1.1: By 2016, key national institutions formulate and monitor people-centered, green and evidence-based socio-economic development policies to ensure quality of growth as a middle-income country

Expected Output(s): **Output 1.1.2:** Strategic options for development policies defined and considered by policy-makers to promote inclusive, people-centred and equitable development

Implementing Partner: International Cooperation Department of Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences (VASS)

Responsible Parties: VASS Scientific Management Department, Graduate Academy of Social Sciences, Institute of Human Studies of VASS, General Statistic Office.

Brief Description

The project, building on the success of the previous VASS-UNDP collaborations including on 2001 and 2011 NHDRs, projects “*Assistance to the 20 year Review of Doi Moi in Viet Nam*” and “*Support for Effective Policy Making Through the Development of Scientific Evidence Based Research*” and based on the request of VASS, aims to support *Strengthening capacity for human development policy making in Vietnam*.

The project will make its contributions to achieving the goal of “*Vietnam’s HDI to reach the high average level of the world by the year 2020*”, as stated in Vietnam’s 2011-2020 SEDS, and Output 1.1.2, Outcome 1.1 of One Plan 2012-2016, through realisation of the following output targets: (i) Strategic policy options base on human development vision, which is identified and supported by a series of background/thematic studies with strong scientific and quality evidences, and periodically published human development reports and (ii) HD concept awareness increased and understanding deepened among policy makers and researchers in Vietnam. HD courses are institutionalized at VASS to increase the abilities and skills in applying HD concepts and methodologies into policy making and assessment. These output targets will be achieved through the provision of (i) support to the participatory process of conducting quality background studies and preparation of 2015 and 2017 National Human Development Reports; (ii) support wide dissemination of NHDRs, NHDR-related inclusive policy debates/dialogues; (iii) capacity development support for strengthening VASS capacity in providing training to national stakeholders on, and application of, Human Development concepts, skills and tools in policy research/assessment and policy making; and (iv) support strengthening partnership/collaboration between VASS and international human development research/training institutions.

The project will be nationally implemented, under the leadership of VASS, with International Cooperation Department as the IP. Different institutes/centers – members of VASS and GSO will be participating in the project implementation. The wide range of stakeholders of GOVN policy making and research institutions, international development partners, civil organisations will be involved in identifying the NHDR themes and NHDR-related policy debates and dialogues. The result-based management will be the principal approach in managing, implementing and monitoring this project.

Programme Period: 2012-2016	
Key Result Area (Strategic Plan): Inclusive, Equitable and Sustainable Growth	
Atlas Award ID:	00068890
Start date:	2 Sept. 2012
End Date	31 Dec. 2016
PAC Meeting Date	11 September 2012
Management Arrangements	NIM/DIM

2016 AWP budget:	USD 263,145
Regular source:	USD 263,145
Total resources required:	USD 2,500,000
Total allocated resources:	USD 1,372,133
• Regular	USD 1,372,133
• Other:	
o Donor	_____
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o Donor	_____
o Government	_____
Unfunded budget:	USD 1,127,867
In-kind Contributions	

Agreed by VASS:

Date: 8/3/2016

Mr. Nguyen Thanh Ha
General Director of International Cooperation Department, VASS

Agreed by UNDP:

Date: 21/3/2016

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Project ID: 00083793

Project Title: "Strengthening capacity for human development policy making in Vietnam"
Implementing Partner (IP): VASS - International Cooperation Department

ANNUAL WORKPLAN - YEAR 2016

One Plan Outcome, targets and associated baseline and indicators	PLANNED ACTIVITIES List activity results and associated actions	TIMEFRAME				RESP. PARTY	PLANNED BUDGET 2016		NOTE		
		Q1 -16	Q2 -16	Q3 -16	Q4 -16		UNDP source	Budget Desc.		2016	
<p>One Plan Outcome 1.1: By 2016, key national institutions formulate and monitor people-centred, green and evidence-based socio-economic development policies to ensure quality of growth as a middle-income country.</p> <p>Outcome Indicators, Baselines, Targets and Means of Verification:</p> <p>Indicator 1: Proportion of people living below the national poverty line (general poverty rate) Baseline (2011): 14.2% (9.8%, 2013); Target (2016): The SEDP 2011-2015 plans to reduce poverty by 2% per year nationwide for the period 2011-2015, which would result in a target of 6.2% for 2015; reduce poverty by 4% per year in the 62 poorest districts; MoV: Viet Nam Household Living Standards Survey (VHLSS), GSO</p> <p>Indicator 2: Child poverty rate Baseline (2008): 20.7% (monetary child poverty) and 28.9% (multidimensional child poverty); Monetary Child Poverty: 15.8% of poor children under age 18 years. (2010 VHLSS); Target (2016): To be determined; MoV: VHLSS and</p>	<p>EXPECTED PROJECT OUTPUT 1, baseline, associated indicator and annual target: Human development concept applied and advocated in strategic policy options, which are based on periodical National Human Development Reports (NHDR) and background research papers. Indicator: number of strategic policy options/messages based on 2017 NHDR and associated Technical Background Papers (TBPs); Baseline (2015): three NHDRs published (2001, 2011 and 2015); 2016 annual target: 2017 NHDR themes/outlines and 2-3 TBPs published conveying 2-3 strategic policy options/messages.</p>										
	Activity Result 1.1: Subject for NHDR 2017 identified and well elaborated									11,000	
	1.1.1. Organize brainstorming sessions with national experts/academics, policy makers, NGOs and private sectors for identifying possible themes for NHDR 2017	X				UNDP			75700	2,000	
	1.1.2. Prepare and define the first annotated list of possible 2017 NHDR themes (with pros and cons)	X							75700	2,000	
	1.1.3. High level consultation with key policy makers, researchers and stakeholders including UNDP regional center and HDRO on the first annotated list of possible themes of NHDR 2017	X				UNDP	04000		75700	3,000	
1.1.4. Launch workshop to announce the winning theme and brainstorm on background research topics of NHDR 2017			X					75700	3,000		
1.1.5. Consult with TWG and the UNDP Regional Center and HDRO on NHDR 2017 detailed outline			X					71200	1,000	1	

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MICS (GSO) Indicator 3: Gap between average monthly income per capita of the richest quintile and poorest quintile (disaggregated by sex of household head, urban/rural, region) Baseline (2008): 8.9 times; 2012=9.35 from 9.2 in 2010; Target (2016): To be determined; MoV: VHLSS Indicator 4: Viet Nam's position in the Global Competitiveness Index Baseline (2010-2011): Rank 59 (out of 139 countries, Score 4.3 (range 1-7); 2013-2015 WEF Report=68, moving up 2 ranks from 70 in 2014's report. Target (2016): To be determined MoV: Global Competitiveness Report (World Economic Forum) One Plan Output 1.1.2: Strategic options for development policies defined and considered by policy-makers to promote inclusive, people-centred and equitable development. Indicator 1: Degree to which research/policy papers are considered and utilized by national stakeholders in formulating development policies; Baseline (2011): Research results and policy recommendations are not fully and effectively utilized in formulating development policies; Target (2016): Laws, socioeconomic development strategies, plans and policies at national, local and sectoral levels are developed based on solid evidence	Activity Result 1.2: 2017 NHDR related background studies commissioned and conducted							85,000	
	1.2.1. National Consultants: 2017 NHDR Drafting Team Leader: i. to facilitate the stakeholder consultations and based on the results prepare the first annotated list of possible 2017 NHDR themes (with pros and cons); ii. to facilitate the stakeholder consultations to select the theme of NHDR 2017 and develop NHDR 2017 detailed concept note on the agreed theme; iii. to identify the background research topics of NHDR 2017 (by conducting a review of the available literature on the agreed theme of NHDR2017 and in consultation with stakeholders); iv. to develop the detailed outline of NHDR 2017 and facilitate consultations, based on the results, finalize the detailed outline of NHDR 2017; (v) to lead the NHDR2017 drafting team and draft assigned sections of NHDR, including a possible policy paper based on a possible good quality TBP; A team of national consultants: (i) to conduct data analyses and technical background studies (on topics/matters not covered by TBPs) necessary for NHDR2017 preparation; (ii) draft assigned sections.		X	X	X	UNDP 04000	71300	40,000	
	1.2.2. Sub-contracts for TBPs including formal reviews			X	X		71300	40,000	
	1.2.3. Consultative meetings for final TBPs & draft policy paper and Chapter drafts				X		75700	2,000	
	1.2.4. Technical workshops/meetings for quality assurance of the TBPs, policy paper, Chapter drafts & Report drafts				X		75700	3,000	

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and recommendations by research and policy papers; MoV: Records of various stakeholders and media Indicator 2: Degree to which a participatory and evidence-based approach is applied in socio-economic development and sectoral planning at central and local levels; Baseline (2011): Participatory and evidence-based approach has not been applied in socioeconomic development and sectoral planning at all central and local related agencies. Target (2016): All partners of UN agencies who are policy makers and planners at central, local and sectoral levels apply a participatory and evidence based methodology in socioeconomic development and sectoral planning; MoV: UN programmes/project reviews, reports.	Activity Result 1.3: 2015 NHDR related background studies commissioned and conducted								23,760	Carried over from 2015
	1.3.5. National Consultant for 2015 NHDR Drafting Team Leader	X				UNDP/ VASS	04000	71300	23,760	Third and last payment
	Activity Result 1.4: HD related indexes calculated and used for NHDRs, database of HD related indexes maintained/disseminated through websites of VASS/GSO/UNDP								17,500	Some activities are carried-overs from 2015
	1.4.1.GSO/VASS collect data and calculate HDIs, GDIs, MPis (provincial, regional and national) with support from focal points in HDRO and RC	X				GSO/ VASS/ UNDP	04000	71300	2,500	Second and last payment for MPis of NHDR 2015
	1.4.2.GSO update HDIs, GDIs, MPis (provincial, regional and national) with support from focal points in HDRO and RC including technical/QA meetings			X	X	GSO/ UNDP	04000	71300	15,000	For NHDR 2017
	Activity Results 1.5: 2015 NHDR published								48,830	Carried over from 2015
	1.5.1. International Editor	X						71200	9,000	
	1.5.3. Publications and Disseminations for Policy Brief of NHDR 2015	X				UNDP/ VASS	04000	74210	355	
								72510	300	

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	1.5.4. Print and disseminate NHDR 2015	X				UNDP/ VASS	71300	1,160		
	1.5.5. Launch NHDR & GHDR to media, ministries, offices and relevant stakeholders	X					74210	17,640		
	1.5.6. Organize regional policy discussions around the NHDR 2015		X			UNDP	72510	2,000		
							75700	8,375		
							75700	10,000		
	SUBTOTAL 1							186,090		
	3. Effective Project Management							17,055		
	3.1. National Project Manager - NPM	X					71400	4,977		
	3.2. Admin/Acct Assistant	X				UNDP/ PMU	71400	2,988		Only for the Q1-2016
	3.4. Misc. Management expenses for PMU	X					74500	990		
	3.5. Project Coordinator - PC (part-time)		X	X	X		71400	8,100		
	3.6. Report on progress and financials quarterly, annually	X	X	X	X	UNDP				
	3.7. Prepare and update monitoring plan prepared and updated	X	X	X	X					



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	4. DPC and International Advisor	X	X	X	X		60,000		Int. Advisor and UNDP experts - as active members NHDR2017 drafting team, will take part in/make active contributions to identification of NHDR2017 Themes, preparing outlines, concept note, defining TBP's/TORs and QA of TBP's, drafting policy paper and NHDR chapters/sections.
	SUBTOTAL 3							77,055	
	TOTAL							263,145	

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