



Country: VIET NAM
Annual Work Plan for year 2020

Project Title: EU Justice and Legal Empowerment Programme in Vietnam (EU JULE), PAGODA mechanism

One Plan Outcome: One United Nations Strategic Plan Outcome 2
 Outcome 2. Citizen expectations for voice, development, the rule of law and accountability are met by stronger systems of democratic governance.

UNDP CPD Outcome 4 Indicative CPD Output(s):
 4.1 Functions and capacity of the rule of law institutions supported, including to strengthen the protection of human rights and improve access to justice and redress.
 4.4 Legal framework improved and accountability of institutions enhanced to address awareness, prevention and enforcement of anti-corruption measures across sectors and stakeholders.
 4.5 National data collection, measurement and analytical systems in place to monitor progress on the Sustainable Development Goals and to inform plans, policies and budgets at national and sub-national levels

Implementing Partner: Ministry of Justice as the main partner and national coordinating agency

Responsible Parties:

Brief Description

Promote legal empowerment and ensure justice to all, and vulnerable groups in particular, remains strong and is an utmost national priority especially when Viet Nam is experiencing rapid changes as a newly emerged middle-income-country. Efforts are being made to strengthen the rule of law through increased effectiveness and responsiveness of justice institutions. However, more work is needed to improve these institutions' reliability, accountability and accessibility so they can address the widening inequalities and injustices that particularly affect women, children, and vulnerable groups including ethnic minorities, people with disabilities, survivors of gender-based violence and human trafficking and internal migrants. This is not the task of a single institution, but requires closely coordinate joint efforts and partnership among political, legislative, executive, and judicial institutions, and civil society organizations, at national and local levels.

Building on the key legal and constitutional reforms, such as the 2013 Constitution, the 2014 Law on Organization of the People's Courts and the 2015 Legal Aid Reform Project, this Project's overall objective is to strengthen the rule of law through a more reliable, trusted and better accessed justice system. More specifically, it aims to support increased access to justice for vulnerable groups and in particular for women, children, ethnic minorities, and poor people.

The objectives of the programme are envisaged to be achieved through four results, each one of which is to be realized by implementing a set of activities as outlined below.

Result 1: Increased public awareness and understanding of rights and how to invoke those rights.

Result 2: Increased access to legal advice, assistance and representation in both civil and criminal matters.

Result 3: Improved enabling legislative and regulatory framework for legal empowerment and access to justice.

Result 4: Enhanced integrity and transparency in the justice sector.

Programme Period:
November 2017 –November 2020
Key Result Area (Strategic Plan):
UNDP CPD Outcome 4
(UN OSP Outcome 2)
Atlas Award ID: 00084003
Atlas Project ID: 00092211
Start date: 1-Nov-17
End Date 30-Nov-20
PAC Meeting Date: 17-Nov-16
Management arrangement: DIM

2020 AWP budget:

Total resources required	1,201,729
Total allocated resources:	1,201,729
· TRAC Regular	20,000
· Other:	
Donor EU	1,181,729

Agreed by UNDP Vietnam

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Representative



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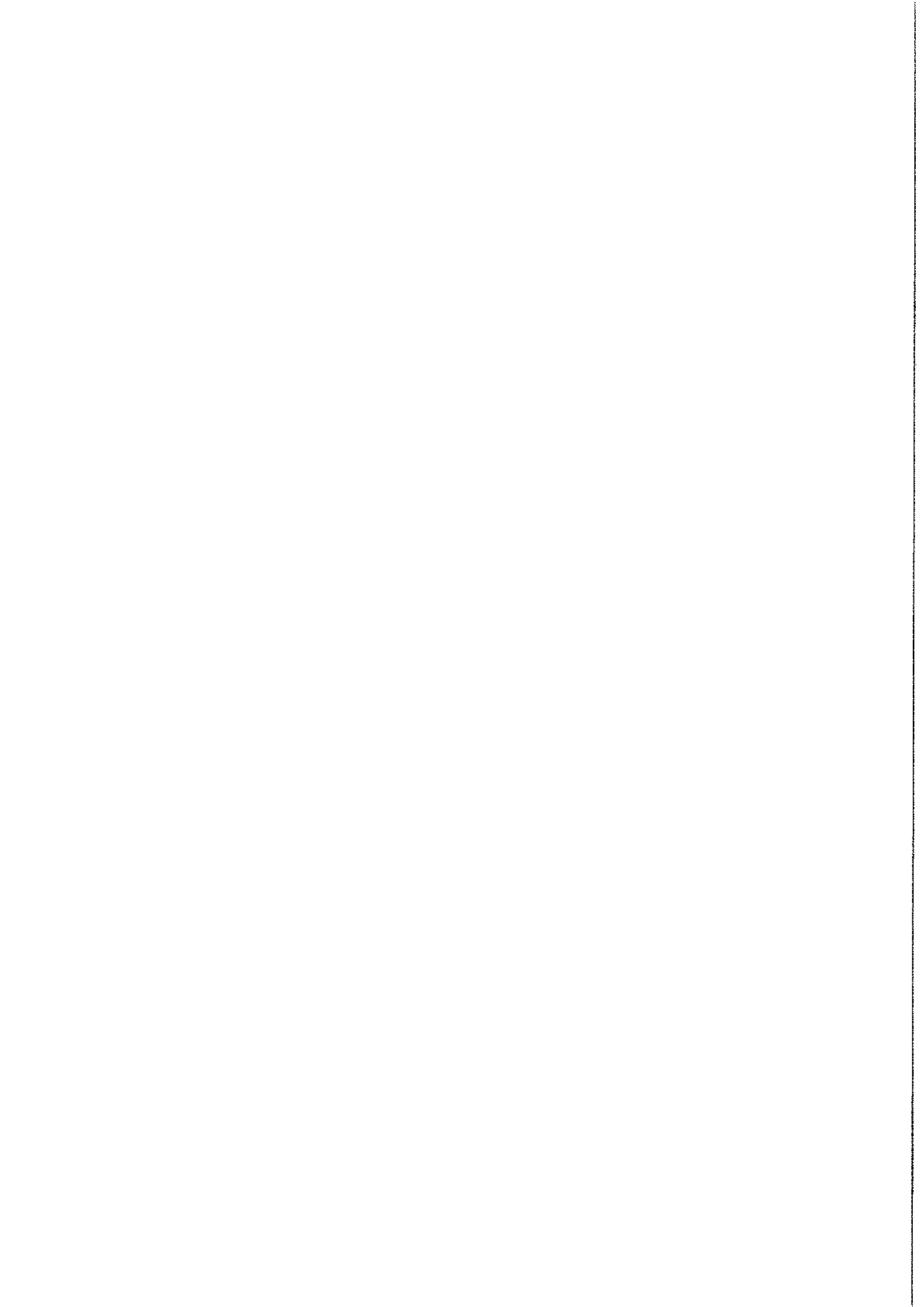
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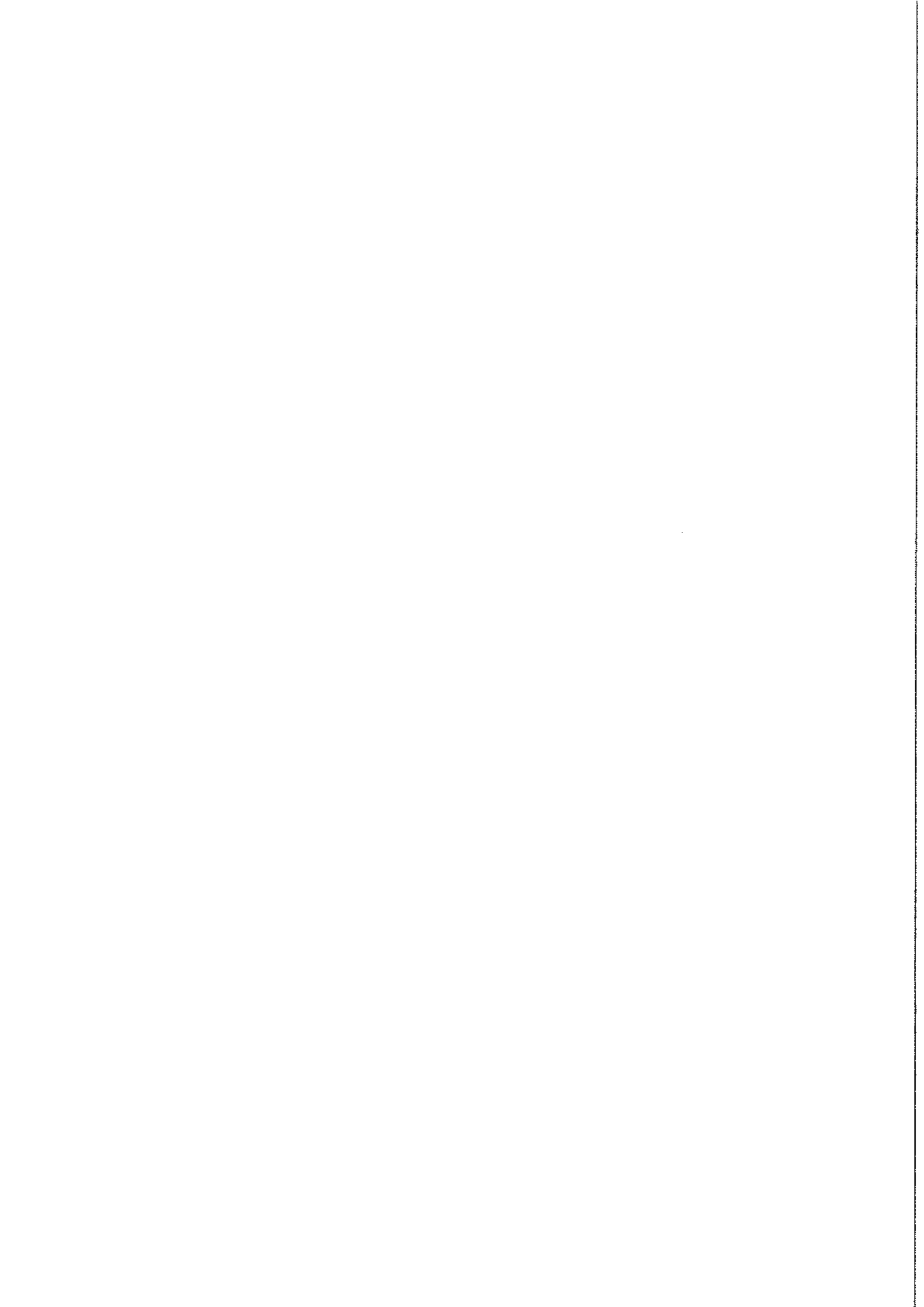
EXPECTED OUTPUTS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES	Planned activities by Quarter				RESPONSIBLE PARTY	Budget description	PLANNED BUDGET			Note	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			TRAC	EU	Amount (USD)		
Output 1: Increased public awareness and understanding of rights and principles enshrined in Vietnamese law, mechanisms and procedures for how to use the law, and options for seeking legal advice, assistance and representation	Indicator #1: (CPD indicator) Baseline: Target: Means of verification (MoV):	Activity Result 1.1: Development and implementation of a comprehensive and professional legal empowerment behavior change strategy										
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 1.1</i>												
	Activity 1.1.2. Support to development of the legal empowerment behavior change strategy	x	x	x		Department of Legal Dissemination and Education, MOJ, UNDP	Contractual services; Staff and other personnel costs; transfers to counterparts				40,500	
Activity Result 1.2: Capacity needs assessment of legal communicators and disseminators based on the legal empowerment strategy												
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 1.2</i>												
Activity Result 1.3: Capacity needs assessment of the state communicators and disseminators based on the findings of the capacity needs assessment												
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 1.3</i>												
	Activity 1.3.1. Development of capacity building program for legal communicators and disseminators	x	x	x	x	MOJ-Law dissemination and Education Dept/UNDP	Contractual services; Staff and other personnel costs; transfers to counterparts				52,000	
Activity Results 1.5: Support interventions to raise public awareness on protection of rights and access to justice for vulnerable groups, and in particular for women, children, ethnic minorities and poor people												
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 1.5</i>												



Activity 1.5.4 Support to VLA and other social organizations' interventions on rights awareness and protection at grass-root level	x	x	x	x		UNDP MOJ State Compensation Dept, MOLISA/UNDP	Contractual services; Staff and other personnel costs; transfers to counterparts			66,000	
Sub-total for Output 1										158,500	158,500
Activity Result 2.2: Capacity development of legal aid providers based on the needs assessment and in accordance with the UN Principles and Guidelines on Access to Legal Aid											
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 2.2</i>											
Activity 2.2.1 Development of a right-based and gender sensitive capacity building program for LAPs:											
Activity 2.2.3 Training the trainers (TOT) program carried out at national and sub-national level in select provinces	x	x	x	x		MOJ Legal Aid Department, Vietnam Lawyer Association, UNDP	Contractual services; Staff and other personnel costs; transfers to counterparts, travel			83,600	
Activity Result 2.3 Support for the implementation of the Law on Legal Aid and the Legal Aid Reform Project for the period 2020-2025											
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 2.3</i>											
Activity 2.3.1. Support to develop a monitoring and evaluation tools for legal aid service provision disaggregated by case type, status of recipient and other appropriate factors	x	x	x	x		MOJ Legal Aid Department, UNDP	Contractual services; Staff and other personnel costs; transfers to counterparts			40,500	
Activity results 2.4: Support for dispute resolution mechanisms in accordance with the Law on Grass Roots Mediation (2013) and based on priorities identified through rigorous research											
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 2.4</i>											
Activity 2.4.1 Development of a participatory, rights-based, child and gender sensitive tool for assessment of community-											



Activity 2.4.2 Assessment of existing mechanisms of dispute resolution at grass-root and community levels	x	x	x	x	MOJ-Law dissemination and Education Dept, SPC, VLA, UNDP	Contractual services; Staff and other personnel costs; transfers to counterparts; travel	71,000
	Activity 2.4.3. Support innovations to improve participation, rights-based and gender sensitivity in grass-root conciliation						
Activity 2.4.4 Target support to local mediators							
Activity Result 2.5: Legal advice and information sessions in prisons and pre-trial detention facilities							
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 2.5</i>							
Activity 2.5.2. Consultations/awareness raising with MPS and other state agencies on legal rights awareness program	x	x	x	x	MPS, UNDP	Contractual services; Staff and other personnel costs; transfers to counterparts; travel	27,500
Sub-total for Output 2							222,600
Activity Result 3.1: Supporting the research and proposals for the revision of laws and regulations that are proven to constitute substantial impediments to enhancing access to justice							
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 3.1</i>							
Activity 3.1.1: Thematic policy papers and other research support to further align Vietnam law with international normative standards as legislation and regulation undergo consideration	x	x	x	x	MOJ, MOLISA, MPS, UNDP		78,000
Activity Result 3.2: Expand the evidence base for result oriented justice sector policy making at national and sub national level							
<i>Total budget of Activity Results 3.2</i>							
Activity 3.2.1. A series of empirical studies on law implementation	x	x	x	x	MOJ, SPC, UNDP	Transfer to counterparts	130,500
Activity result 3.4. Maintaining the constructive policy dialogue between the EU, Viet Nam and the UN on justice sector reform							
Activity 3.4.1 and 3.4.2. Conduct legal forum and legal policy dialogues							
Output 3: Improved enabling legislative and regulatory framework and legal empowerment and access to justice							
Indicator #1: (CPD indicator)							
Baseline (2015):							
Target:							
MoV:							
Indicator #2: (EU JULE indicator)							
Baseline (2015):							
Target:							
MoV:							



Activity 3.4.1. Legal partnership Forum 2019 and Legal Partnership Forum 2020	x				x	ICD, MOJ and UNDP	Transfers to counterparts			36,000
Activity 3.4.2. Policy Dialogue			x			ICD, MOJ and UNDP	Transfers to counterparts, staff and other personnel costs			-
Sub-total for Output 3								244,500		244,500
Activity Results 4.1: Support for the development and implementation of codes of conduct and ethical standards for professionals in the justice sector										
Total budget of Activity Results 4.1										
Output 4: Enhanced integrity and transparency in the justice sector Indicator: Baseline: Target:	Activity 4.1.1. A review of all existing relevant codes of conducts and legislation, with a clear set of guidelines to improve them based on international standards or to create codes where no current draft exists, including wardens, prosecutors, lawyers	x			x	SPP, MOJ, VBF, CCIA, SPC, UNDP	Contractual services; Staff and other personnel costs; transfers to counterparts; travel; supplier			133,200
	Activity 4.1.2. Draft Code of conduct for law enforcement and judicial professionals									
	Activity 4.1.3. Training on professional codes of conduct and relevant legislation									
	Activity Results 4.3: Support for the publication of judgement and the accumulation of legal precedent									
Total budget of Activity Results 4.3										
Activity 4.3.4. Assessment of the use of precedents in practice. Support to publication of precedents issued by the SPC.				x	x	SPC, UNDP				41,000
Activity Result 4.5: Rolling out of a justice index at provincial and national level to measure performance in the justice sector (with breakdown data by gender and vulnerable groups)										
Total budget of Activity Results 4.5										
Activity 4.5.1 Consultation on a conceptual framework for a justice index	x				x	MOJ, UNDP	Contractual services; Staff and other personnel costs;			46,200

