United Nations Development Programme

Region: Asia and the Pacific

Project Document

Asia Regional Governance Programme; Phase II

Expected RP Outcome(s): Improved inclusive participatory processes in policy making and implementation for more equitable development

International norms and standards on anti-corruption and human rights implemented through public policies

Expected Output(s):

1. Parliaments and representative bodies are better able to engage in development policy planning and oversight and be more effective representatives of all groups in society;
2. State and non-state actors are capacitated to harness communication mechanisms (access to information policies, e-governance, and media) for enhanced government transparency and effectiveness;
3. Policy-makers in key ministries and non-state parties are better able to develop effective governance arrangements for MDG-focused service delivery;
4. State and non-state actors are capacitated to support implementation of international instruments, norms and standards to increase integrity in governance;
5. Capacities of justice sector-related institutions and stakeholders are strengthened to deliver and enhance access to justice and promote human rights;
6. National governments are able to better align aid flows, develop management action plans to implement Paris Declaration regulatory framework and contribute to achieving the MDGs.

Implementing Partner/Executing Entity: UNDP/RCB

Responsible Parties/Implementing Agencies: UNDP/RCB

Narrative

Democratic governance is seen as the critical ingredient for ensuring more equitable growth to fully achieving the MDGs and to addressing a rising inequality gap. More effective systems and avenues for inclusive representation and participation are required, as is a greater emphasis on facilitating more expeditious justice and protecting and promoting human rights. Corruption remains a grave concern and is seen as a growing threat to continued growth and prosperity. The delivery of services requires significant strengthening. Countries also need to more effectively manage and align their aid towards poverty reduction. The Asia Regional Governance Programme, Phase II, will assist countries strengthen their capacities for more responsive and accountable government through the a) promotion of regional public goods, b) facilitating knowledge sharing and learning, c) engaging in cutting-edge research and trend analysis and d) pilot-testing new and innovative methodologies. South-South cooperation for exchange of good practice and building of national and regional capacity will be underpinning operating principles of programming.

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Total resources required	9,375,710
Total allocated resources:	5,231,010
• Regular (Regional Activities, line 1.2)	5,231,010
• Other:	
o Donor	_____
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o Government	_____
Unfunded budget:	3,780,000
In-kind Contributions	_____

Agreed by (Government)_____

Agreed by (Implementing Partner/Executing Entity):_____

Agreed by (UNDP):_____

Government Endorsements

Endorsed by the Government of	Signature & Title	Date
Cambodia	H.E. Chhieng Yanara Secretary General of CRDB Deputy Secretary General of CDC	16.5.2008