PROJECT REVISION

United Nations Development Programme Region: Asia Pacific

Millennium Development Goals Initiative (Phase II) and Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Initiative (Phase III)

Brief Description

The Millennium Development Goals Initiative (Phase II) and the Asia Pacific Trade and Investment Initiative (Phase III) have been revised and integrated to better address the development priorities towards inclusive and equitable growth in Asia and the Pacific. The outputs and activities have been refocused and consolidated to better align with country, regional, and corporate priorities, strengthening overall development effectiveness in areas of MDG achievement, inclusive growth, and globalization.

The revision takes into account the extension of the UNDP Strategic Plan from 2011 to 2013; it is in line with recommendations contained in the mid-term review of the Asia-Pacific Regional Programme (September 2010); the guidance from the Steering Committee Meeting on the Initiation document of the Inclusive Growth and Poverty Reduction Practice (November 2010); and recommendations from the LPAC meeting (June 2011). The revision and integration of both initiatives is also due to the consolidation of the Regional Centre, as MDGI and APTII programmes and some members of their respective teams moved from Colombo to Bangkok. With the establishment of a unified Inclusive Growth and Poverty Reduction team in Bangkok, the MDGI and APTII will operate synchronously for much more coherent responses to development priorities as per the Initiation Document of the new practice.

This project revision was reviewed and endorsed by the Local Project Advisory Committee (LPAC) with government and UNDP participants. The revised project document, minutes of the meeting and list of participants are hereby attached for reference.

The project document has been endorsed by governments of Bhutan, Cambodia and Thailand (see e-mail communication attached).

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