

Annual Work Plan (Jan. 2010 - June 2011)

Support for Parliamentary Democracy in Bhutan

UNDAF Outcome:

4. By 2012, Institutional capacity and people's participation strengthened to ensure good governance. (MDG 1, 3, 8)

Expected CT Outcome:

4.3 Capacity of key institutions to support parliamentary democracy strengthened.

Expected CT Outputs:

4.3.1, 4.3.2, 4.3.3, 4.3.4

Implementing partners:

Royal Court of Justice (RCJ); National Assembly (NA); National Council (NC); Election Commission of Bhutan (ECB); Institute of Language and Cultural Studies (ILCS), Royal University of Bhutan.

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NARRATIVE

1. **Summary of results:** With the implementation of the AWP the: a) The institutional capacity of the parliament will be strengthened for efficient and effective legislative function; b) Research and documentation made on human rights in cross-cultural context; c) Electoral system in place for local government elections; d) Capacity enhanced for democratic governance and rule of law.
2. In collaboration with implementing partners (IPs) and UN agencies, the Gross National Happiness Commission coordinates the overall AWP implementation and progress review through quarterly, mid-year and annual review meetings. The IPs are responsible for ensuring the achievement of AWP results through day-to-day management, implementation, monitoring of the activities, proper use of funds and submission of quarterly financial and progress reports. The UN agencies are responsible for monitoring, timely release of funds, and technical support to implementation.
3. The partners adopt HACT procedures for fund request, release and reporting. Quarterly Direct Cash Transfer modality is applied and Reimbursements or Direct Payment when necessary with prior agreement between all the parties. Assurance activities such as joint field monitoring, spot checks and scheduled audits will be conducted after agreement with the GNH Commission and the IP based on the micro-assessment recommendations.

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Programme Period: 2008-2012

Programme Title: Strengthening Capacity of Key Institutions to Support Parliamentary Democracy

Work Plan Title: Support for Parliamentary Democracy in Bhutan

Budget Code:

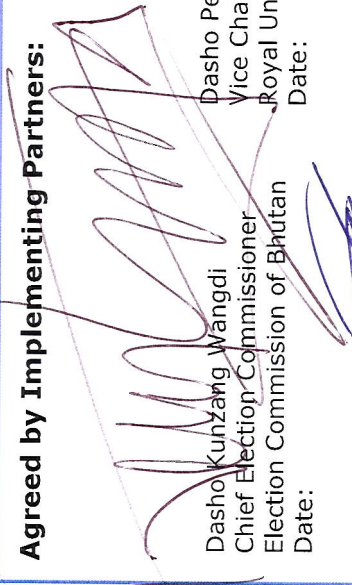
Duration: 18 Months (Jan 2010—June 2011)


Estimated 18 months budget: US\$ 497,116


Allocated resources:

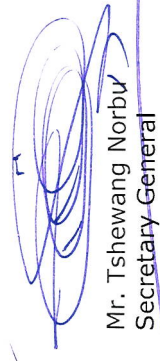
- ▶ UNDP US\$ 427,116: (RR-\$ 159,120; OR-\$ 267,996)
 - ▶ \$ 62,120 (RCJ) [FIC # 2410] [RR-\$ 62,120]
 - ▶ \$ 154,000 (NA & NC) [FIC #] [RR-\$ 48,000; OR-\$ 106,000]
 - ▶ \$ 185,996 (ECB) [FIC # 2106] [RR-\$ 49,000; OR-\$ 136,996]
 - ▶ \$ 25,000 (ILCS) [FIC #] [OR-\$ 25,000]
- ▶ UNICEF US\$ 70,000:
 - ▶ \$ 60,000 (RCJ) [FIC #]
 - ▶ \$ 10,000 (NA & NC) [FIC #]

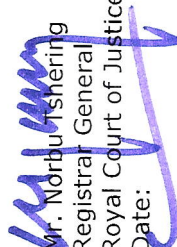
Agreed by Implementing Partners:


Dasho Kunzang Wangdi
Chief Election Commissioner
Election Commission of Bhutan
Date:



Dasho Pema Thinley
Vice Chancellor
Royal University of Bhutan
Date:


Mr. Nima Tshering
Secretary General
National Assembly
Date:



Mr. Tshewang Norbu
Secretary-General
National Council
Date:

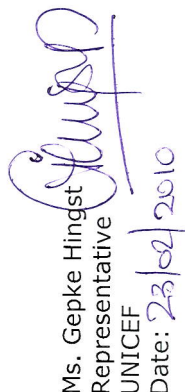

Mr. Norbu Tshering
Registrar General
Royal Court of Justice
Date:

Agreed by the Royal Government of Bhutan:


Mr. Karma Tshiteem
Secretary
GNH Commission
Date: 16/01/10

Agreed by UN Agencies:


Ms. Claire Van der Vaeren
Res. Representative
UNDP
Date: 09/02/2010


Ms. Gepke Hingst
Representative
UNICEF
Date: 23/02/2010

18 Months Rolling Work Plan for Jan 2010 - June 2011

EXPECTED CP OUTPUTS and indicators including 18 months' targets	PLANNED ACTIVITIES List all activities including M&E to be undertaken during the year towards stated CP outputs	TIMEFRAME						RESPONSIBLE PARTY	PLANNED BUDGET	Amount (US\$)		
		2010	2011	2011	2011	2011	Implementing	Source of Funds	Budget Description	2010	2011	Total
		Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4	Q 1	Partner					
		1	2	3	4	1	2					



I. Support to the Royal Court of Justice for its Capacity Development to ensure democratic governance and rule of law.													
4.3.4 Enhanced institutional capacity of judiciary in ensuring democratic governance and rule of law	Development of strategy paper on the establishment and organisation of Bhutan National Legal Institute	X	X	X	X	X		UNDP	RR	Int'l TA,	10,530.00	10,530.00	
Indicators: • Number of judges, lawyers, prosecutors sensitized and exercising international and regional best practices based on constitutional laws. Target (18 months): • Strategy paper on Bhutan National Legal Institute developed • Constitutional Law and Arbitration Law course curriculums developed	2	Development of course curriculum on different branches of laws such as Constitutional law, Arbitration law, etc.	X	X	X	X		UNDP	RR	Int'l TA,	10,530.00	21,060.00	31,590.00
	3	Conferences, workshops and trainings for the Judicial Staff including Judges, Registrars of all the courts	X	X	X	X		UNDP	RR	Workshops and Trainings	10,000.00		10,000.00
	4	Institutional support through the provision of Legal Materials	X	X	X	X		UNDP	RR	supplies	10,000.00		10,000.00
	5	Conduct Needs Assessment on Juvenile Justice System		X	X	X		UNICEF	RR	Int'l TA,	30,000.00		30,000.00
	6	Training of Judicial Staff including Judges, Registrars, Clerks and other supporting staff on Juvenile Justice system		X	X	X		UNICEF	RR	Training	15,000.00	15,000.00	30,000.00
	Total for Royal Court of Justice											86,060.00	36,060.00

II. Institutional Strengthening and Capacity Development Support for the Parliament of Bhutan for effective legislative functioning												
1	Institutional Development and Organizational Strengthening (IDOS) Plan of the parliament formulated											
UNDAF Outcome 4. By 2012 institutional capacity and people's participation strengthened to ensure Good Governance. CT Outcome 3. Capacity of key institutions to support parliamentary democracy strengthened. CT Output: 3.1a. Enhanced capacity of the parliament and its secretariats for its effective legislative functioning. Baseline:	1.1	IDOS Workshops and Consultations	x				NC	UNDP	RR	Workshop	1,000	1,000
	1.2	Adoption and printing of the IDOS document	x				NC	UNDP	OR/DG/TTF	printing	800	800
2	Secretariat's capacity strengthened in their research, legal, advisory support, ICT, parliamentary procedures and functions, management and planning.											
2.1	Support capacity building of the National Council Secretariat through formal and non-formal trainings.	x	x	x	x		NC	UNDP	RR	training travel Misc.	30,000	30,000




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	CP	CP	Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4	Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4	Q 1	Q 2		
~ 16% of the total no. of parliamentarians and secretariats staff trained in parliamentary functioning and related fields as of 2009. ~ Apart from few exchange or study visits, no institutional networks established between the Parliament of Bhutan and other parliaments as of 2009. ~ Websites launched for both the Houses of the Parliament of Bhutan and feed back platform set up within the websites for public feedback as of 2009 Indicators: • % of Parliamentarians and staff trained • No. of Network/institutional linkages with other parliaments established Target (18 months): • 25% of the total parliamentarians and secretariats staff trained • established 3-5 institutional network/linkages between Parliament of Bhutan and other parliaments	2.2	Support capacity building of the National Assembly Secretariat through formal and non-formal trainings.	x	x	x	x		NA	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	training travel Misc.	20,000	20,000	
	2.3	Support capacity development of project management unit (PMU)	x					NC	UNDP	RR	training travel	10,000	10,000	
	3	<i>Terms of Reference for the Committees of the Parliament developed and their functions streamlined.</i>												-
	3.1	Engage specialized expertise to review ToR, Rules and procedures of NA and NC	x					NC	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	Int'l TA	10,000	10,000	
	4	<i>Effective legislative debate and resolution capacity of Parliamentarians</i>												-
	4.1	Int'l Democracy Day (15th September) observance through Democracy & Governance in Bhutan workshop (3 days)		x				NA	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	workshop publication advocacy event	8,000	8,000	
4.2	National Constitution Day (11th November) observed			x			NC	UNDP	RR	advocacy event Misc.	1,000	1,000		
4.3	Observation of Human Rights Day (10th December) and related activities				x		NA	UNDP	RR	Advocacy, Travel, Event Misc.	1,500	1,500		
5	<i>Exposure to best democratic parliamentary practices for capacity building of parliamentarians</i>												-	
5.1	Implement the basic/specific capacity building for relevant Members of the National Council aligned to the IDOS Plan of Action		x				NC	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	Training	10,000	10,000		
5.2	Implement the basic/specific capacity building for relevant Members of the National Assembly aligned to the IDOS Plan of Action		x				NA	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	Training	10,000	10,000		
5.3	Identify relevant Parliaments in the region and undertake exposure visits to observe, understand and learn legislative processes.		x				NC	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	Training	20,000	20,000		
6	<i>Parliamentary websites established to improve accessibility and inclusive participation and information dissemination mechanism to the public enhanced.</i>												-	

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		2010		2011		UN	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	LTA/UNV	2010	2011	Total						
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4								Q1				Q2	Q3
6.1	Support improvement and up grade the website and promote awareness among public and assist MPs in developing blogs.	x	x					NA	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	LTA/UNV			5,000		5,000		
6.2	Capacity development of Audio-visual and premises security equipment operation and maintenance	x		x				NC	UNDP	RR	Training			5,000		5,000		
7	<i>Civic education for students and youth both in formal and non-formal sectors.</i>																	
7.1	Support capacity of the parliament to develop simplified civic education materials, documentary film and brochures for youth and non-formal education groups to raise awareness on parliamentary democracy.	x		x				NC	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	Training audio visual documentation Misc			8,000		8,000		
8	<i>Establish a parliamentary information resource centre.</i>																	
8.1	Institutional strengthening through the provision of essential equipment	x	x	x				NC	UNDP	OR/DGTTF	Equipment			12,200		12,200		
8.2	Support provision of essential books and relevant materials for the resource centre.	x		x				NC	UNICEF	RR	Books & materials			10,000		10,000		
9	<i>Technical expertise support for Human Rights Committee of NA</i>	x						UNDP/NEX	UNDP	RR	ITA			1,500		1,500		
Total for Parliament																164,000		164,000
III. Support to ILCS for Research and documentation on Human Rights in Cross-cultural Context																		
1	Develop lexical and conceptual tools on Human Rights for use by ministries, agencies, parliamentarians, grassroots leaders, NGOs and CSOs.	X						ILCS/RUB	UNDP	OR/Netherlands	Misc			1,000		1,000		
2	Preservation of traditional values and language in context to human rights	X						ILCS/RUB	UNDP	OR/Netherlands	Misc			1,000		1,000		
3	Strengthen the Centre for Buddhist Studies of the ILCS to equip the youth with the universal concepts of Human rights visavis Buddhist perspective of human values.	X						ILCS/RUB	UNDP	OR/Netherlands	Meetings, conference Misc.			4,000		4,000		
4	Capacity Development for relevant research officials of ILCS.	X						ILCS/RUB	UNDP	OR/Netherlands	Training			6,000		6,000		
5	Awareness raising and dissemination of concepts in the society at large by production of a short awareness video in Dzongkha on a particular human rights theme as seen from a Buddhist perspective.	X						ILCS/RUB	UNDP	OR/Netherlands	Workshops/Videos			11,250		11,250		
Total for Parliament																164,000		164,000

