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1. Introduction

The development Assistance Group (DAG) pooled fund project supports the Government's implementation of the Growth and Transformation plan and Sustainable Development Goals through the provision of institutional capacity development, effective coordination development assistance and high quality DAG Government dialogue. The DAG pooled fund project is nationally executed by the ministry of Finance and Economic Cooperation (MOFEC) and the National Planning Commission (NPC).

The Bureau of Monitoring and Evaluation of the National Planning Commission is responsible for the execution of output 1 of the project that is provision of effective support to the Second Growth and Transformation Plan (GTP II) and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) consultative process. The DAG secretariat at UNDP oversights the overall activities of the project and is responsible for effective DAG-Government Dialogue. Hence this report highlights the major achievements of output 1 of the project during the first quarter of 2017.

2. Output 1: Effective Support to the implementation of GTP II and SDGs

2.1. Consultation Workshop on Data/Information Exchange, Monitoring and Evaluation

By virtue its mandates to coordinate, prepare, monitor & evaluate the national development plan, the National Planning Commission is responsible to make things right for effective development planning, monitoring and evaluation both at the national and regional levels. Accordingly, the National Planning Commission has organized and conducted a two-day consultative Workshop on Data/Information exchange, Monitoring and Evaluation in Addis Ababa for two days (February 17-18/2017) with Regional/City Administration Bureaus of Finance and Economic Development and/or Regional Planning Commissions from all 9 regions and two city administrations, Central Statistical Agency and Ethiopian Mapping Agency.

The Objective of the consultation workshop was to strengthen credible, timely, reliable and disaggregated data flows for national and regional development planning, monitoring and evaluation including sustainable development goals among the National Planning Commission, Central Statistical Agency, Ethiopian Mapping Agency and the Regional Planning Commissions/Regional Bureaus of Finance and Economic Development. Particularly, to strengthen the functional relationship between the



Central Statistical Agency and Regional Planning Commissions/Regional Bureaus of Finance and Economic Development with regard to statistical data collection and dissemination. Awareness creation on the 2017 Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) on SDGs and on the time frame of regional consultation was also another objective of the workshop.

In overall, the consultative workshop was focused on the 2017 VNRs on SDGs of Ethiopia – presentation and discussion on the concept note and the checklist, the need for comprehensive data for the National and Regional Economic Accounts Statistics Preparation, the need for disaggregated data/information for the follow-up and evaluation of GTP II and SDGs, preparation and implementation of Geo-Spatial Information for the input in national and regional development plans preparation and preparation for the 4th Round Ethiopia's Population and Housing Census.

The National Planning Commission (NPC) has provided the overall leadership and coordination of the consultation workshop. Accordingly NPC has effectively managed all the logistics of the workshop through DAG Pooled Fund Project.

Total Expenditure of the consultation workshop including Hotel service cost, DSA and Fuel was Birr 276,268.62. This expenditure was covered from the logistic budget of DAG Pooled Fund Project.

2.2 Logistical Support

In the first Quarter of 2017 DAG Pooled Fund, project continued to support logistical costs including office Supplies, Project Administration expenses such as salaries for Project staffs, expenses for field work and operational expenses such as Vehicle maintenance and Fuel costs.

