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MINUTES OF THE PROJECT BOARD MEETING
Scaling up the National Capacity for Disaster Risk Reduction and Management in
Maldives

Date: 23 March 2016

Time: 10:00 – 11:00 am

Venue: National Disaster Management Centre, Maldives

Attendees

Project Board Members

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| 1. Fathmath Thasneem | Deputy Minister | National Disaster Management Centre |
| 2. Aishath Azza | Assistant Resident Representative | UNDP Maldives |
| 3. Abdul Muhsin Ramiz | Director | Maldives Meteorological Services |
| 4. Ahmed Shabin | Head of Operations | Maldives Red Crescent |
| 5. Hisaan Hassan | Project Director | National Disaster Management Centre |

Others

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| 6. Umar Fikry | Senior Programme Officer | National Disaster Management Centre |
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Agenda of the meeting

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| 1 | Opening Remarks by Co-Chairs | Fathmath Thasneem
Deputy Minister for Defense and National Security
Aishath Azza |
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Assistant Resident Representative
UNDP Maldives

- 2 Presentation of the Project Umar Fikry
Senior Programme Officer, NDMC
- 3 Presentation of the Annual Workplan of the project for the year 2016 Umar Fikry
Senior Programme Officer, NDMC
- 4 Discussion and comments by the project board Moderators
Fathmath Thasneem
Deputy Minister for Defense and National Security and Project Director

Aishath Azza
Assistant Resident Representative
UNDP Maldives
- 5 Closing Remarks Fathmath Thasneem
Deputy Minister for Defense and National Security

Aishath Azza
Assistant Resident Representative
UNDP Maldives

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To keep in mind a module split for the training of Island Level Focal points. The modules should provide orientation on the DM Act to the focal points while at the same time the modules should also build their capacity as DM focal points at island level. 	<p>Ms. Fathmath Thasneem from NDMC agreed that DM Act orientation should be an important part of the training module for island level focal points.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CERT teams in some forms to exist at island level. Maldivian Red Crescent(MRC) has established emergency response teams(ERT) at island level therefore, its important the project don't duplicate the resources at island level. The establishment of CERT teams should incorporate and strengthen existing capacities and MRC welcomes the opportunity to work with NDMC to establish and standardize CERT teams. ○ Mr. Shabin also recommended to move the activity to quarter 3 of 2016. 	<p>Ms. Fathmath Thasneem highlighted that NDMC would develop a standard approach for CERT teams and during development we would look at how we can strengthen the existing systems and capacities.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The ERTs established by MRC would have response kits. Mr. Shabin clarified whether response equipment related to kits would be distributed to CERT teams under output 1.3. 	<p>Mr. Umar Fikry from NDMC highlighted the project would provide disaster response equipment to island councils and the CERT teams would have access to these equipment as they would be the main island level first responder during emergencies.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Shabin also highlighted that output 2.1.1 targets key government stakeholders while output 2.2.4 targets stakeholders. Therefore, he recommended that the 2 outputs should be in-line with one another. 	<p>Ms. Aishath Azza agreed to make the outputs in-line with one another.</p>
	<p>➤ Mr. Abdul Muhsin Ramiz, Director of Maldives Meteorological Services(MMS) highlighted a few comments. They are;</p>	<p>Mr. Umar Fikry highlighted that the project would explore the opportunities to work with private sector for island level hazard</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Muhsin clarified whether how the project would involve the private sector in output 2.1.2. On this note he highlighted that maintaining weather stations at island level for local hazard monitoring is a costly process for the government. Mr. Muhsin added that currently MMS has 20 weather stations throughout Maldives, out of which only 6 or 7 is in operation. Therefore Mr. Muhsin recommended that the best way to go about this would be to increase the engineering capacity at MMS and through the project we should look at opportunities to link that with island level hazard monitoring. ○ Mr. Muhsin also recommended that the project explore opportunities to go beyond hazard monitoring. Mr. Muhsin added that one of the aspects the project could look at is probabilistic hazard risk assessment. ○ Mr. Muhsin recommended to include hazard impact in output 2.2.2 	<p>monitoring. Ms. Aishath Azza also highlighted that this would be an opportunity to develop new projects for a broader early warning/hazard monitoring project based on the output of the activity</p>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Aishath Azza proposed the revision of project board members as a new agenda item. She proposed that the project include representatives from Ministry of Finance and Treasury(Planning), Ministry of Environment of Energy and Embassy of Japan in the Maldives. 	<p>Mr. Umar Fikry highlighted that we would explore opportunities for risk assessments during the implementation of the project.</p> <p>It was agreed to include the hazard impact in the output.</p> <p>It was agreed to include representatives from these institutions in the project board.</p>
5.	Closing Remarks	Ms. Fathmath Thasneem thanked all the board members for their valuable time and inputs. She highlighted that NDMC and UNDP would arrange a board meeting every quarter to share progress. Ms. Thasneem also	

		<p>added that NDMC is in the process of hiring the services of a project manager and hopefully the project manager would be present in the next board meeting.</p> <p>Ms. Aishath Azza also thanked all the board members. She highlighted that NDMC and UNDP would share the minutes of the meeting.</p>	
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