Minutes of Project Board

Project Name:	Transitional Justice Project (TJP)		
Date of Meeting:	17-Feb-17	Time:	16:30 – 17:30
Chair:	Sophie Kemkhadze	Location:	DCD's Office

Attendees			
Name	Cluster	Organization	Signature
Sophie Kemkhadze	DCD , Chair of PB	UNDP	
Archana Aryal	Democratic Transition Unit	UNDP	Julia
Yam Nath Sharma	Governance Unit	UNDP	
Vijaya Singh	Environment and Climate Change Unit	UNDP	48
Nabina Shrestha	Poverty & Inclusion Unit	UNDP	Ann
Gomba Sherpa	Democratic Transition Unit	UNDP	Gines.
Ananda Ale	Transitional Justice Project	UNDP	AM

Meeting Agenda		
Topic		Presented by:
1.	Results 2016	Archana Aryal
2.	Plan for 2017 including QWP, procurement and HR plan	

2016 Results		
Topic (Discussion)	Action (including time line to complete the recommended action)/	Responsible Person for action
Team Leader, DTU shared the results and challenges in 2016. She also presented the Annual Work Plan and Quarterly Work Plan (powerpoint presentation attached), Human Resource and Procurement Plan for 2017. There has been little overall progress on the transitional justice process. Both commissions (Truth and Reconciliation and Disappearance) are recently granted an extension to their mandate. Though, the most effective intervention would be to develop the capacities of the commissions, UNDP will continue to have a victim centric approach due to the amnesty provision in the transitional justice law that restricts UNDP to work with TRC and Disappearance Commissions now. Hence UNDP will remain flexible in its approach to transitional justice. If there are amendments in the law that meet the International Human Rights standards, it will start working with the two commissions mentioned above. For now, it will continue working with conflict victims and enhance their skills so that they are able to carry forward their own transitional justice process.	The chair Endorsed AWP and QWP including HR and procurement plan for 2017. Initiate process to hire the Project Manager.	TJ project and DTU

Transitional Justice Project: Progress in 2016 and Annual Work Plan 2017

FOCUS OF THE PROJECT

UNDAF Outcome 8

National Institutions have addressed conflict related violations of human rights and international humanitarian law and the post-conflict needs of victims.

Output 8.1: Government and civil society have enhanced capacity to develop, establish, and implement inclusive and gender-sensitive transitional justice mechanisms and policies that comply with international standards.

- Activity 1: Criminal Justice system's capacity to respond to transitional justice issues strengthened
- Activity 2: Victim support capacity developed and capacitated to provide efficient mechanisms for redress and participation in victims in transitional justice process.

Modus Operandi

- Victim centric unless there is space to work with national institutions
- Project is meaningful as it gives the message that UN has not disowned the TJ issue
- SG's guidance note on TJ the main guiding document

Key activities accomplished

- Re-launch of the Transitional Justice Resource Centre (TJRC) in March
- Conference on Unofficial Truth-Telling: Experts from Cambodia, South Africa, Bosnia, USA, UK, Canada and Nepal participated [Over 150 participants]
- 2 day Conference on Peer-to-Peer Counseling focusing on the CRSV survivors: Over 150 participants

Key activities accomplished

- 3 day workshop on peer-counselling for CRSV survivors: Over 70 participants
- Five regional workshops on the current TJ situation and challenges with victims in different districts undertaken: Over 300 conflict victims benefit
- A central committee strategic planning meeting of the CVCP organized: 26
 CVCP members deliberate on the possible activities for 2017

Challenges

- Continuing delay in the amendment of the TJ Act to explore the broadening of the scope of the Project
- Nepal's Official truth telling process being perceived as very politicized and controversial
- Fragile relation among victims

Plan for 2017

Continuing victim support initiatives

- Continue victims centric activities
- Printing and dissemination of outreach materials (pamphlets, bags, batches, caps with CVCP mark)
- trainings to CVCP focal persons on TJ and a psychosocial and skills development training to CRSV survivors/Women CVCP members
- capacity building on dealing with the past/memorialization
- conference on the role of national institutions on truth telling

Budget and Delivery

Source of Fund	Expenditure in 2016	Total Budget utilization %
UNDP	275,186	99.93%
UNPFN	20,609	59%
UN Women	29,572	93%
Total	326,367	90%



Ms. Gita Rasaili, Vice Chairperson of CVCP invites Peace Minister Sita Devi Yadav to give her opening remarks on the Peer to Peer Counselling Conference



Peace Minister Eka Nath Dhakal giving his opening remarks on the Conference on Unofficial Truth-Telling.