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UNDPs Platform for Development established, UNDP, Strategy & Programming Framework for <i>Seeds of Development</i> formulated,
UNDP Programme Of Assistance to the Palestinian People
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This project is designed to implement UNDPs PAPPs strategy formulation process coupled with accompanying internal institutional change which will define the future role and programme of work for UNDP-PAPP over the next few years in relation to the Palestinian development environment. Through the project, the main outputs are a transformational and dynamic process of change initiated within UNDP PAPP resulting in; establishing UNDPs Platform for Development; a UNDP Strategy and Programming Framework "Seeds for Development" guiding the future work of the Programme, and an Atlas and CEDAR harmonized implementation structure for relief & development, in line with the strategy.

Programme Period: 1st August 2006 to 1st August 2011		Total Budget \$ 15 Million
Programme Component: Management Project		Allocated resources:
Project Title: UNDP PAPP Seeds for Development		Government
Project ID:00052919		Regular
Project Duration: 5 years		Other:
Management Arrangement: UNDP implementation		O Donor Interest/TRAC -
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COMPONENT 1: SITUATION ANALYSIS

UNDPs Programme of Assistance to the Palestinian People is faced with the strategic imperative of transforming itself into the Programme of Development and increasingly assuming a more active role, in accelerating the development dynamic for the future of the Palestinian People. Political constraints not-withstanding, this imperative has emerged from three increasingly important factors. Firstly, UNDPs internal thinking of its role, contribution and limitations within the development context in the oPt over the last decade, creeping deterioration in the Palestinian human development profile, coupled with increasing articulations of external Palestinian partners about the need for UNDP to change in order fully deliver its mandate in the Palestinian development context.

A preliminary mission to begin the process of strategic thinking has been initiated by the Programme. The missions dialogue with partners has uncovered three overarching points of consensus that UNDP-PAPP needs to consider about the Palestinian development context. The first is that over the past five years, Palestinian society has suffered from steep erosion in its human capital, social fabric and economic structure. Secondly that the relief approach has been adopted by all actors to arrest this decline. At the best this approach has mitigated the decline while capacities on all three fronts have been steeply affected and make take years and decades to replace. Lastly the relief & needs orientation, reactive rather than proactive has created the dependency cycle within Palestinian society, and UNDP is part of this context.

Through the missions dialogue with partners the primacy of the needs and relief orientation in the Palestinian context is apparent. The needs concept is problematic for UNDP, as there are no agreed definitions, no prioritization, no assessments and no sustainable concept behind this orientation.

The mission, through its dialogue also uncovered the "dependency cycle in Palestinian development" as a central paradigm of the context articulated by many actors. In Gaza a prominent Palestinian intellectual opined that "a single extra dollar to relief is criminal". Many articulated the need to break the dependency cycle. Other partners pressed UNDP to not add to the cycle of dependency which exists. Some articulated that UNDP through its overriding focus on implementation for relief may actually be contributing to perpetuation of this cycle.

COMPONENT 2: STRATEGY

The consensus that emerged from partners during the mission on the role of UNDP, was that UNDP should play the role of *facilitating* a genuine development dialogue for sowing the seeds of development. This would mean moving its operations out of the dependency thinking to an empowerment strategy which will support the self determination aspirations of the Palestinian people. UNDP-PAPP needs to orient itself on the premise *that planting the seeds for development is a key dimension for the Palestinian people to break the cycle of dependency and go towards the path of self empowerment.* Therefore the way forward for UNDP is to maintain this level of implementation for relief, and *build a new higher tier of conceptualizing and programming which is focused on programming for development while incorporating this lower layer.*

In order to actualize the framework for the *Seeds for development*, the project will develop UNDP-PAPPs architecture of development thinking and acting through processes and product development at **three** levels, and implement a relevant organizational structure and processes to actualize this architecture.

The first level is to build a component – the *Platform for development* which contains several elements. Primarily this process for building a Platform is a non liner inductive process where elements are interdependent, dynamic—and mutually affected by developments in other elements in different parts of the platform. The first element is Information and codification of information. The second element of this platform is collection and analysis of ideas and concepts in the Palestinian development reality. The third element of this platform is to institutionalize a development dialogue with national and international stakeholders to constantly feed back into the programme and ensure that PAPPs stays relevant and responds adequately to the Palestinian development reality. These three elements of the platform have to result in a product which is the UNDP Conceptual Framework for the Seeds of development. This product has to define broadly 1) What—needs to be done (ie. Themes") and—2) How it needs to be done, and lastly how it relates to the Implementation for Relief level.

The second level is to define the *Programming for Development framework*, This conceptual arrangement will use the Results Based Management approach and will define each sub-component ie, **What** themes and sub-themes will be finally selected, **how** Seeds of Development will apply programme approaches on these themes, and **geo-referencing - which** locations or areas will be selected. The Programming for Development will also define a mechanism for joint development of the framework, monitoring of impact and engagement with the Palestinian Authority. Each theme of this framework will present an outcome to be achieved for UNDP-PAPP with outputs, baselines and indicators defined and all three dimensions. Each sub-component will have a conceptual framework explaining these three dimensions as well as Tools for Programming for Development to achieve defined results. These tools will be a policy manual, conceptual papers for each themes, programming tools, Baseline monitoring tools and Diagnostic tools.

The third level is the Implementation for Relief and Development which has to be harmonized with Results Based Guide, Atlas and Prince II streamlined management processes but also integrated within the architecture of development thinking & programming for development. The implementation for relief and development level is strongly linked not only to the conceptual arrangement and tools but also strong capacity development and programme and project management change processes, within UNDP-PAPP through the CEDAR initiative and the implementation of Atlas as a project management tool

This harmonization between the implementation for relief, and programming for development level will be forged using the synergy of CEDAR process. At both these levels the CEDAR process will run in synchrony increasing staff capacity for results based management on the PRINCE2 model as well as providing tools for RBM and programming tools specific to the PAPP operation. Key tools include a PAPP implementation guide, which includes project management, a monitoring framework, internal control framework, internal communications framework, and Atlas helpdesk.

COMPONENT 3: MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

The strategy formulation process has been organised as a project with various sub-products and outputs extending for duration of five years. The project is a UNDP-PAPP in-house directly executed project and will be managed under the direct oversight of a Project Executive Group constituting the UNDP Special Representative, and the Head of the UNDP Gaza Office.

The UNDP Deputy Resident Representative, will be the acting Project Manager of this project with the UNDP Executive Officer assuming the Project Support role. The project manager with the project support is responsible for day to day decision making of the project, ensuring that that appropriate technical, and financial resources are deployed to achieve the sub-products within scheduled time and expected budget.

The project manager will report on a monthly basis to the Project Executive Group and will liaise frequently with the Project Assurance team to ensure that products are in line with the evolving strategic vision through the Palestinian development dialogue through the entire strategy formulation process.

Project Assurance will be provided by a team reviewing the project at specific milestones through three – four joint missions composed of a Senior contracted Change Management Advisor, a notable Palestinian independent development expert and a Senior UNDP nominated Policy Advisor. (It is probable that Senior Policy Advisor from SURF-Panama, Mr. Juan Manuel Salazar, will undertake this role as Senior UNDP policy Advisor).

Each of the sub-products envisaged under the project will be treated as products with teams supervised by the project manager with the project support and composed of independent short term consultants, short term national and international senior experts and selected programme staff responsible for delivering the sub-products.

COMPONENT 4: MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The PRRF contained in this pro-doc, defines the broad deliverables and the time frame for achievement of outputs. The Project manager will provide monthly and quarterly progress updates to the PEG to be reported according to this matrix, and a project work-plan formulated in line with the PRRF at project start up. Project Assurance will assess results at the strategic level and advise the Project Executive Board at project start-up, mid point and end-stage. Due to the sensitive and strategic nature of this project, the senior Change Management Advisor will be also required to assess the quality of some of the outputs. For specialized sub-products the Project Executive Group and project Assurance may request the project management team to arrange for external experts for assessing the quality of certain products.

A mid term evaluation at the six month mark

COMPONENT 5: LEGAL CONTEXT

"The project document shall be the instrument envisaged in the <u>Supplemental Provisions</u> to the Project Document, attached hereto."

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COMPONENT 6: RESULTS AND RESOURCES FRAMEWORK

PROJECT RESULTS AND RESOURCES FRAMEWORK

Intended Outcome as stated in the Country Programme Results and Resource Framework:	Country Programme Res	ults and Resource Frame	work:	
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1. Platform for Development	1.1 Policy framework	1.1.1 Analysis of	Project Board +	A4 -Development
Established	for development	relevant national/local	Project Manager	Economist
	dialogue prepared	development concepts	(UNDP Deeputy	Annual Salary +
		and approaches	Special	Entitlements - Fund: 40500
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	1.2 Palestinian	Chest" of Think pieces	Economist +	Project Assurance Team:
	Development Dialogue	produced in selected	Palestinian	
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		emerging from		750 per day + DSA for
	July 2007	Palestinian dialogue		Senior Change
				Management advisor+
		1.2.1 Round table		Senior Palestinian Advisor
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		pieces with PA, &		Advisor
		NGO partners and		Fund:40500 BL 71400
		other stakeholders on		
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			Knowledge Management Expert	With National Consultants							0	Project Manager + UNDP Deputy	Representative	manages programme formulation teams for
			2.1.1 Information about development engine	collected 2.1.2 Categorization &	analysis of UNDP projects & main	outputs for past five years + evaluative	evidence for past ten years & link to GIS	2.1.3 Collection of Statistical & qualitative	baseline data about Palestinian human	development linked to	project areas	2.2.2 Programme	formulation	teams set up for 3 theme areas
			2.1 Online UNDP programme & project	established & online – September 2006		November 2006							2.2 Programming for	Development Strategy prepared
			2. Programming for Development Framework											

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	March 2007		themes and sub-	quantitative analysis
		2.2. 2 Detailed	urentes Programme formulation teams for	b conceptual frameworks for each theme
		contextual analysis + sector specific	each sub-theme Include national	c. diagnostic tools $\&$ policy tools for each theme
	2.3 Diagnostic Tools	discussions defining	expert + national	
	output prepared June	tnemes & sub-themes	economist + UNDP focal point + PA	
	2006	2.2.3 Conceptual framework for each	focal point for that sector & knowledge management expert	
		Theme		
		2.2.4 Each theme defined with outputs, strategy baselines.		
		output targets per year targets & geo-referencing		
		2.3.1 Diagnostic tools		
		for each theme & compendium of policy	National Consultants supervised by Team	
		options for each theme	Leaders for	
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3. Implementation for Relief &	3.1 Minimum CEDAR	3.1.1 Programme	In-house programme	In house staff resources
Development streamlined	for all ongoing	staff capacity	staff, PMOs, Atlas	
	2006	PRINCE 2	Helpdesk	Prince Certification for
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	harmonization of Programme Staff on Project	Management Module	Project Management Capacity enhanced along Results Based Management		set up						- MAN
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			3.2 All projects maximum CEDAR/ATLAS/ Prince II compliant by February 2006								
						Total Cost (excluding Output 3	which should be funded for separate budget earmarked to CEDAR +	Theme Team Leaders funded by Unit Head Admin budget line)	Donor contributions (pipeline)	TRAC Contribution	

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