MEETING ON 2014ANNUAL WORK PLAN WITH UNDP UNDER THE YEEP

THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY, 2014

VENUE: Office of the Commissioner

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BACKGROUND

The National Youth Commission and the Inclusive Growth Cluster Unit of the United Nations Development Programme Sierra Leone meets every year after the signing of the Annual Work Plan to review and discuss implementation modalities. Under the auspices of the Youth Employment and Empowerment Programme, the team met on Thursday 20th February, 2014 at the Office of the Commissioner.

The thrust of the meeting was to agree on the way forward to major programmes under the YEEP. These include the Business Development Service (BDS), Graduate Internship Programme and the Career Advisory and Placement Services. Other issues in the Annual Work Plan were also discussed.

Business Development Services (BDS)

- According to the AWP five BDS centres are currently operational and it is essential that
 these centers be maintained in 2014. Some service providers of the BDS have submitted
 their plan of activities it remains the completion of both financial and narrative report.
 Meanwhile, a meeting will be held to review their plan of activities.
- In this team meeting it was suggested that the current service providers continue running
 the centers. However, the team agreed that this will be based on the both their financial
 and written reports.
- Commissioner Anthony Koroma observed that the BDS center in Bo run by HELP-SL did not organize a graduation ceremony as the other BDS centers. The BDS Officer UNDP Hassan Conteh intimated all that the BDS center in Bo did not organize any in house training for them to hold a graduation ceremony. He noted that they were engaged in field work, mentorship, bookkeeping, coaching etc. Commissioner observed that the essence of the graduation ceremony was to give visibility to the programme.
- He further said that reports from the NAYCOM Regional Coordinator South indicate that the center has also not being fully operational for a while. He emphasized the need for public relations programme for these centers.
- The YEEP Programme Manager maintained that budget will be allocated to the Implementing Partners based on their delivery. He noted that special attention be paid to AFFORD for delivery of services. Meanwhile, he informed the team that UNCDF with their office based in Liberia wants to support the BDS. But the organization wants to come up with its own package called 'The Village Savings'. They intend working with the Implementing Partners (IP's) directly.

Action Point

To discuss allocation to BDS centers

Career Advisory and Placement Services CAPS

 The Programme Manager for NAYCOM said much activity was not done in 2013. He said the centers at Njala main campus Mokonde and Fourah Bay College were fully