



United Nations Development Programme

Country: Turkmenistan

Annual Work Plan

Project Title: Support for Parliament to strengthen the capacity of representative bodies in Turkmenistan.

UNDAF Outcome(s): By 2015, rights of freedoms in Turkmenistan are respected and guaranteed in accordance with international human rights standards as well as principles of democracy and the rule of law.

Expected CP Outcome(s): The Government integrates principles of good governance and rule of law into national policies, legislation and decision making.

Expected CPAP Output(s): 1.2.1 All levels of governance formulate legislative and institutional frameworks and have enhanced capacities for more effective public services delivery.

Implementing Partner: Mejlis of Turkmenistan

Responsible Parties: Mejlis of Turkmenistan and UNDP

Brief Description

Turkmenistan embarked on a process of governance reform in 2007 that has resulted in the creation of a legal framework under which the Mejlis (parliament) of Turkmenistan and the sub-national elected bodies provide horizontal and vertical accountability with regard to the implementation of government policy and legislation and the monitoring of government expenditures. Building on an earlier project with the Mejlis UNDP intends to continue to build the capacity of the Mejlis and its deputies to be able to pass high-quality laws and to monitor their implementation and a 3-year project was developed in close consultation with the Mejlis. In addition, the project will work with sub-national elected bodies to build the capacity of a select number of such bodies to approve local development plans and annual budgets.

Programme Period: 2014 – 2016

Key Result Areal: The capacity of elected bodies in Turkmenistan is enhanced so as to ensure a legal framework and system of planning and budgeting is established and monitored in an inclusive manner and in accordance with international best practices.

Atlas Award ID: 00089483

Start date: 1.03. 2014

End Date: 31.12.2016

Management Arrangements: National Implementation with UNDP support

2015 Annual Work Plan Budget: \$164,725.43

Total allocated resources:

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- UNDP: \$164,725.43
- Other:
- Donor
- Unfunded budget:
- In-kind Contributions:

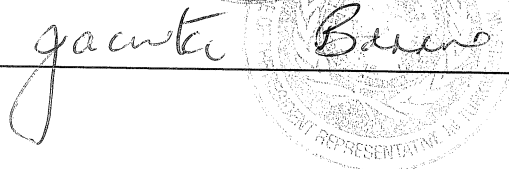
For Mejlis of Turkmenistan:

A. Nurberdiyeva, Chairperson of Mejlis of Turkmenistan



For UNDP:

J. Barrins, UNDP Resident Representative



I. ANNUAL WORK PLAN FOR 2015

EXPECTED OUTPUTS <i>And baseline, associated indicators and annual targets</i>	PLANNED ACTIVITIES <i>List activity results and associated actions</i>	TIMEFRAME			RESPONSIBLE PARTY	PLANNED BUDGET		
		Q 1	Q 2	Q 3		Funding Source	Budget Description	Amount (in USD)
<p>Output 1:</p> <p>Strengthen the capacity of the Mejlis and its deputies to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -make laws; -establish effective sub-national and local elected bodies <p>Baselines:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All laws are adopted the Mejlis of Turkmenistan. 2. Mejlis of Turkmenistan continued to work to improve the analysis of the legislation. 3. Further increase of citizen participation in the legislative process. 4. Work on improving the legal mechanism of local representative bodies and LSG. <p>Indicators:</p>	<p>Component 1.1: Legislation</p> <p>Activity 1.1.2</p> <p>Strengthen the capacity of Mejlis committees to scrutinize draft legislation according to international best practices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • study visit with the aim of experience exchange of international lawmaking principles and procedures; • round table on the results of the study visit. 	X	X		Mejlis of Turkmenistan Project staff	UNDP	<p>DSA for 5 participants</p> <p>Air tickets</p> <p>Terminals</p> <p>Visa</p> <p>Miscellaneous</p> <p>Printing of handbook on lawmaking</p> <p>Payment for IC on lawmaking methodology</p> <p>Payment for web-designer</p> <p>Payment for editor-translator</p>	<p>14,225.00</p> <p>3,000.00</p> <p>7,879.00</p> <p>3,552.63</p> <p>1,000.00</p>

<p>1. Mejlis routinely engages the public in law-making process.</p> <p>2. Committees have access to technical expertise when reviewing legislation.</p> <p>3. Legal framework for local governance is reviewed and revised.</p> <p>Targets:</p> <p>1. Diagnostic review of the legal and regulatory frameworks of representative bodies and local self-governance bodies.</p> <p>2. Development of proposals to improve the legislation of local representative bodies and local self-governance bodies (on the basis of a diagnostic review).</p> <p>3. All committees have access to technical expertise in scrutinizing and monitoring legislation.</p> <p>4. Knowledge transferred to deputies on how to engage citizens.</p>	<p>Activity 1.1.3</p> <p>National legal consultant to provide consultations to conduct pilot broad public consultation campaigns (public forums; online feedback; hearings; field visits)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify with committees pilot legislation for consultation; • organize pilot public consultations, including outside of Ashgabat and using formal and informal methods; • preparation of report by NC on evaluating pilots and recommending any legal or procedural changes required to institutionalize a more open and consultative process. 	X	Mejlis of Turkmenistan UNDP Project staff National legal consultant	UNDP	National legal consultant organize pilot public consultations, including outside of Ashgabat and using formal and informal methods (one-day)	1,000.00	3,436.40
<p>Activity 1.1.4</p> <p>International Consultant in the field of constitutional reform and constitutional law</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • two-day seminar on international experience in the filed of constitutional reform and constitutional law; 	<p>IC to conduct two-day seminar on international experience in the filed of constitutional reform and constitutional law</p> <p>two-day seminar on international experience in the</p>	X	Mejlis of Turkmenistan UNDP International Consultant Project staff			10,000.00	4,910.00

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present best practices/models on the legal, administrative-financial frameworks of the local representatives and local self-governance bodies that could be used in Turkmenistan. Best practices will be compared against the results of the mapping. 								Two-day seminar to present best practices/models on the administrative-financial frameworks	6,847.40
	<p>Activity 1.2.2:</p> <p>Based on governance study, conduct consultations to work out best options of potential legal, administrative, and financial adjustments in the system of local-governance that could be implemented in Turkmenistan.</p>	X	X	X		Mejlis of Turkmenistan Committees of Mejlis of Turkmenistan NCs on legal, administrative and financial issues	UNDP			
Total Output 1:										84,697.83

<p>Output 2: Strengthen the capacity of local representative and local self-governance bodies at the district and village levels to establish, approve and monitor their development plans and annual budgets in an inclusive manner.</p> <p>Baselines:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Limited capacity of elected bodies at sub-national level to provide horizontal accountability for local government. 2. Local elected bodies have minimal capacity to produce and adopt local development plans. 3. Local elected bodies have minimal capacity to adopt and manage local budgets. 4. Limited engagement of citizens in the work of local elected bodies. <p>Indicators:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Local development plans adopted in four (4) pilot etraps. 2. Local development plans adopted for all villages in four (4) pilot etraps. 3. Local budgets adopted in four 	<p>Component 2: <u>Strengthening the capacity of local elected bodies and LSG in the field of planning and budgeting</u></p> <p>Activity 2.1: Pilot Khalk Maslakhaty (Peoples Council) identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct consultations with the Committee to work with the local representative bodies and local self-governance bodies to determine pilot Khalk Maslakhaty <p>Activity 2.2: Transfer knowledge to pilot local representative and local self governance bodies on international best practices in inclusive local planning and budgeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IC on local planning and budgeting; • NC on local planning and budgeting; • Conduct mapping (analysis and review) of the existing system of planning and budgeting in view of the results of legal, administrative, and financial mapping done in the previous component. • Conduct two-day seminar on international best practices experience in the filed of local planning and budgeting; • Conduct series of consultations to develop best models of planning and budgeting together with the relevant ministries in light of the review of the legal, administrative, and financial frameworks recommended for implementation. • Submit developed proposals on the models of planning and budgeting for approval. • Define the modalities of the preferred 	X	X	X	Mejlis of Turkmenistan Committees of Mejlis of Turkmenistan	UNDP	<p>IC on local planning and budgeting;</p> <p>NC on local planning and budgeting</p> <p>two-day seminar on international experience in the filed of local planning and budgeting</p> <p>one-day round tables in 4 pilot etraps</p>	<p>10,000.00</p> <p>1,000.00</p> <p>4,910.00</p> <p>13,880.00</p>
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<p>(4) pilot etraps.</p> <p>4. Local budgets adopted in four (4) pilot etraps.</p> <p>5. Local elected bodies in pilot districts and villages conduct public consultations.</p> <p>Targets:</p> <p>1. Knowledge transferred to pilot local representative and local self governance bodies on planning, budgets and citizen engagement.</p> <p>2. Pilot local representative and local self governance bodies produce and adopt local development plans</p> <p>3. Public engaged in planning process.</p>	<p>options and using those modalities pilot the planning and budgeting model on the level of etrap.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Series of round tables in 4 pilot etraps on proposed models of planning and budgeting 					
<p>Activity 2.3:</p> <p>National seminar with participation of deputies and specialists of Mejlis of Turkmenistan and representatives of local representative and local self-governance bodies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> summing up the project activities according the AWP 2015; coordination with the relevant ministries and agencies further joint activities on local planning and budgeting issues; discussion of the draft law on local self-governance; 			<p>Mejlis of Turkmenistan</p> <p>Project staff</p>		<p>National seminar with participation of deputies and specialists of Mejlis of Turkmenistan and representatives of local representative and local self-governance bodies. (one day)</p>	<p>8,573.60</p>

