

**'SUPPORT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING
OF THE UN CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS
WITH DISABILITIES (UNCRPD) IN TURKEY'**

Annual Progress Report

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Acronyms and abbreviations

UNCRPD: UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities,

MoFSP: Ministry of Family and Social Policies

UNDP: United Nations Development Programme

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Synopsis

Award No	00085512
Business Unit	TUR10
Award ID	SUPPORT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING OF THE UN CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (UNCRPD) IN TURKEY
Description	<p>The Project aims to strengthen the Government of Turkey in her current efforts on monitoring the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities as well as its preparation of the report on the progress of the implementation in Turkey.</p> <p>This will be realized through the achievements of two main outputs:</p> <p>(1) The Set of Indicators to be used at the monitoring of implementation of the Convention defined and related Data Sets and Collection Methodologies Developed.</p> <p>(2) The awareness among line ministries on the UNCRPD and their required inputs throughout Turkey's Report preparation process increased to comply with Turkey's obligations relating to the UNCRPD.</p>
Implementing Partner	Ministry of Family and Social Policies (GD of Disabled and Elderly Services)
Award Period	Start Date: 1 March 2013 End Date*: 31 August 2014
Total Award Amount	<p>USD 277,047.00</p> <p>TL 414,000.00 (USD 207,047) The USD amounts reflected here is indicative as the contribution from the GOT will be realized in TL.</p> <p>USD 70,000 (Regular TRAC Contribution)</p>

*: While this date is the current end date of the project on the project document, due to delays in actual launch of the project, it is foreseen that the end date will be extended to 30 November 2014.

Section 1: Project Risks and Issues

Updated Project Risks

Type	Date Identified	Description	Comment or Management Response	Flag
Organizational / Operational	June 2013	<p>Experts within the Ministry who are working for the Project also work for other projects/programmes which require similar know how, expertise, language proficiency etc., and consequently are very busy. While this is very useful for linking this project with other ongoing initiatives, it is hard to arrange/plan the flow of project activities to fit in the originally planned durations.</p> <p>On the other hand, restructuring of the government agencies and public institutions, and upcoming elections may lead to changes in the respondents of the project partners which may cause - some delays in agreed work plans and timeframes.</p>	<p>The coordination team of the Project within MFSP is informed about the risk, and the work plan has been revised accordingly.</p> <p>With the understanding that the project is based on the commitment of the government, on disability issues, such changes are not expected to make a major change. The project will institute a close follow-up of the situation and will update the work plan as needed. Project management will prioritize briefing of the newly appointed gov't staffs as needed.</p>	N

Updated Project Issues

Type	Date Identified	Description	Solution Date	Comment or Management Response	Flag
Operational	June 2013 December 2013	<p>There are delays due to the work overload of the experts within the MFSP, and the fact that project experienced slowed-down summer and Ramadan months within the first 6 months of the Project.</p> <p>Due to the delays in actual launch of the Project and in line with the above mentioned risks and issues, the end date of the Project is foreseen to be extended.</p>	September 2013 Feb 2014 (expected)	<p>The project work plan has been updated accordingly.</p> <p>The end date of the Project is planned to be extended to 30 November 2014 and agreed officially during the steering committee meeting to be held in February 2014.</p>	N

Section 2: Output/Activity Progress

INTENDED OUTPUTS	INDICATIVE ACTIVITIES	PROGRESS TO DATE	RESULTS ACHIEVED
<p>Output 1 : The Set of indicators to be used at the monitoring of the implementation of the Convention defined and related Data sets and collection methodologies developed</p> <p>Targets (2013)</p> <p>The Set of Indicators to be used at the monitoring of the implementation of the Convention is defined</p>	<p>1.1 Review of the Current Disability Indicators in Turkey on Relevant fields including Education, Health, Justice, Finance, Employment, etc.</p>	<p>1.1 In progress</p>	<p>The items of the CRPD to be worked on initially are decided as;</p> <p>Item 9: Accessibility</p> <p>Item 16: Freedom from exploitation, violence and abuse</p> <p>Item 24: Education</p> <p>Items 25&26: Health, habilitation and rehabilitation</p> <p>Item 27: Work and employment</p> <p>Item 28: Adequate standard of living and social protection</p> <p>Item 29: Participation in political and public life</p> <p>Item 30: Participation in cultural life, recreation, leisure and sport</p> <p>Item 31: Statistics and Data Collection</p>
<p>Targets (year 2014)</p> <p>- Relevant Data sets and collection methodologies developed on disability, to be integrated in the data collection/monitoring system of the Ministry to be</p>	<p>1.2 Conducting Separate Meetings with each Relevant Ministry on Current Process of Data Collection/Monitoring</p>	<p>1.2 Not started</p>	<p>Issues of children and women are planned to be analyzed and mainstreamed under all headings. The working team of approximately 25 experts within the Ministry has been established, to develop the related indicators and determine the required data sets. The sub-groups to work on the above articles of CRPD are formed. The team will finalize working on Article 28 of CRPD as the first example study before working in article based sub-groups. The sub-groups will work on the selected articles to finalize the activities defined under 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.5, 1.6 and 1.7.</p> <p>Planned to be held by the end of the 2nd quarter and in the 3rd quarter of 2014 upon further progressing of the internal preparations and capacity development of the Ministry staff. Initial</p>

established

Indicators: -Presence of the set of indicators

-Presence of the Developed Datasets on disability data

1.3 Review of the global practices on Disability Indicators

1.3 In progress

plan is to organize 2 workshops for different group of headings and counterpart ministries, with separate follow up meetings.

The global practices (developed indicators) were researched/reviewed by the GD, and the working team is being provided with the related information. The article based sub working groups (as explained under Activity 1.1 above), are reviewing the global practices, as a tool to formulate adequate indicators for Turkey. The contractual procedures are continuing for an international expert who will share the experiences of a signatory country of CRPD in terms of difficulties/bottlenecks faced, good practices implemented, etc. The international expert will start working in January 2014, and is expected to finalize the related study report in February 2014.

It is also planned to create a know-how sharing experience with UNDP Croatia office, where a similar project 'Support for the implementation of mechanisms for monitoring and evaluation of measures of the National Strategy of Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities from the Year 2007 till the Year 2015 - introduction of the indicators of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities to the National Strategy', which has almost been finalized successfully. The state structure and related mechanisms being similar to Turkey, learning from the implementation and monitoring mechanisms adopted for UCRPD and related lessons learned in Croatia are expected to be very useful for the Project. The awareness raising workshop conducted in June 2013 was also an important step for this purpose, particularly on monitoring systems.

<p>1.4 Organization of a Study Tour to a Selected Country/ Organization</p>	<p>1.4 Not started</p>	<p>Planned to be decided in the 1st quarter and organized in the 2nd quarter of 2014. The studies conducted by the international expert mentioned under Activity 1.3 will also guide the decisions on which country(ies)/organization(s) to be visited for which specific purposes.</p>
<p>1.5 Conducting a gap analysis based on the review of the current practices in Turkey and Global Practices / International Obligations</p>	<p>1.5 In progress</p>	<p>The studies covering this activity is ongoing under Activities 1.1, 1.3 and 1.6. The studies of the international expert mentioned under Activity 1.3 will also serve for this purpose. In the 1st quarter of 2014, local experts are planned to be utilized for some of the areas where needed (under the items of the UNCRPD as set forth under Activity 1.3.) These local experts will be expected to work/advise for the gap analysis, and also for Activities 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.6, and 1.8, where needed.</p> <p>Utilization of another local expert during the 1st or 2nd quarter of 2014, to conduct a gap analysis study specifically for the legislation gaps of the UNCRPD items being studied, is also being anticipated.</p>
<p>1.6 Defining the Relevant Indicators</p>	<p>1.6 In progress</p>	<p>An introductory meeting was held in May 2013 with the participation of the working team within the Ministry, addressing the content of the Project and the essential introductory knowledge on methodologies to develop indicators and data sets.</p> <p>A 6 days training programme for the team was held in September 2013 on indicator development/monitoring, where UNCRPD, women rights, child rights, indicator development and monitoring methods were taught by 5 local experts. The training also addressed the methodologies to review the current situation, the global practices, and to conduct capacity gap analysis. The training served as the basis to plan/start the activities defined under 1.1, 1.3, 1.5, 1.6 and 1.7.</p>

<p>A working meeting is being organized to be held between 5-7 January 2014 in Antalya, with the participation of the experts of the MoFSP and the moderation of the coordinator of IHOP, Ms.Feray Salman. The aim of the study is to finalize the indicator development studies for Item 28 of the UNCRPD. Thereafter, the sub-groups formed (explained under Activity 1.1) will start studying in January 2014, with the assistance/consultancy of the local experts to be recruited, where necessary, as explained under Activity 1.5. This Activity (1.6) is planned to be finalized by the end of March 2014.</p>		<p>1.7 Developing the data sets to enable regular monitoring of the defined set of indicators</p>	<p>1.7 Not started</p>
<p>Although progress shows the activity as 'not started', the studies to cover this activity is ongoing as explained under Activities 1.1, 1.3 and 1.6. Initial meetings to be organized under Activity 1.2 and 2.3 will also serve for this purpose. Planned to be finalized by the end of 3rd quarter of 2014.</p>		<p>1.8 Validation of the developed datasets through conducting technical meetings with relevant Ministries</p>	<p>1.8 Not started</p>
<p>Planned to be finalized in the 4th quarter of 2014. The set of meetings mentioned under Activity 1.2 (organization of 2 workshops for different group of headings and counterpart ministries, with separate follow up meetings) and 2.3 will also serve for this purpose.</p>		<p>1.9 Finalization of the datasets and collection methodologies, to be further integrated with the Data Collection and Monitoring System of the Ministry</p>	<p>1.9 Not started</p>
<p>Planned to be finalized in the 4th quarter of 2014.</p>			

<p>Output 2: Increased awareness among Line Ministries on the UNCRPD and their required inputs throughout Turkey's Report Preparation Process.</p> <p>Targets (year 2013)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Awareness Raising Workshop on the UNCRPD with the participation of the high-level representatives of the Relevant Ministries (Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Justice, etc) took place <p>Targets (year 2014)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inputs and Roles of the relevant Ministries throughout the Turkey's Report Preparation Process are determined and endorsed -Working Groups Established - Monitoring Framework Developed -Relevant Inputs for the Action Plan Defined <p>Indicators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -involvement of line ministries 	<p>2.1 Organizations of Awareness Raising Workshops with participation of high-level senior management to secure the government buy-in</p>	<p>2.1 Ongoing</p>	<p>An initial workshop was held on 20th June 2013 at Movenpick Hotel-Ankara, with the name 'Informative Meeting for Stakeholders'. with the participation of around 180 high-level/mid-level representatives of the relevant ministries, government agencies and civil society organizations. Aiming to raise awareness and improve the understanding on the CRPD, the workshop focused on;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - providing information on the Convention, its global significance and importance for the Signatory States - improving the understanding about the Convention requirements and the reporting process by emphasizing the roles and responsibilities of the Signatory States - pointing out the challenges and opportunities with regard to the implementation of the Convention - specifying the importance of enhancing ability to collect, manage and disseminate information on persons with disabilities - pointing out the significance of generating indicators - emphasizing the importance of data collection and indicators in policy development processes - increasing the understanding on the roles of the various stakeholders in reporting and implementation under the Convention - promoting enhanced coordination and collaboration between line ministries, government agencies and civil society organizations, to ensure seamless implementation and monitoring of the Convention <p>The set of meetings mentioned under Activity 1.2 and 2.3 (organization of at least 2 workshops for different group of headings and counterpart ministries, with separate follow up meetings) will also serve for this purpose.</p>
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<p>in the process (active participation in the working groups)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Presence of Roadmap for the Implementation of the UNCRPD -Presence of the Monitoring Tools/data collection methodology for tracking the Progress on the Implementation of the UNCRPD 	<p>2.2 Establishment of working groups in critical areas such as education, health, justice, employment</p>	<p>2.2 Not started</p>	<p>Independent from the Project, MoFSP is leading the formation of a Monitoring and Evaluation Board for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. All related ministries are represented in high level within the Board. It is anticipated that the first meeting of the Board will be held within the first 6 months of 2014, to finalize its establishment, and to decide/confirm the start of the action plan for the monitoring and implementation of the UNCRPD. It is planned that the ministries will be requested to assign working groups/contact persons within their organizations on UNCRPD, and inform the MoFSP accordingly. These groups/persons will also be the contacts for the studies within the Project.</p> <p>Before the workshops/meetings mentioned under Activity 1.2, all related ministries/organizations will be sent the indicator studies of MoFSP and be requested to attend the meetings prepared. In case the board meeting can not be held before the initial workshop mentioned under Activity 1.2, the counterparts will also be asked to assign contact/work groups for the purposes of the Project, and make sure that these contacts attend these workshops/meetings. Planned to be conducted in the 1st and 2nd quarter of 2014.</p>
<p>2.3 Organization of Meetings with the GD of the Disabled and Elderly Services and the Ministries on their inputs, roles and responsibilities on the Implementation of the UNCRPD</p>	<p>2.3 Not started</p>	<p>2.3 Not started</p>	<p>Planned to be organized by the end of the 2nd quarter and in the 3rd quarter of 2014. Follow-up meetings may continue in the 4th quarter of 2014.</p> <p>The set of meetings mentioned under Activity 1.2 (organization of at least 2 workshops for different group of headings and counterpart ministries, with separate follow up meetings) will also serve for this purpose.</p>

	<p>2.4 Review of the global experiences/practices on the implementation of the UNCRPD as well as report preparation processes</p> <p>2.5 Development of the Monitoring Framework on tracking the progress on the implementation of the UNCRPD</p> <p>2.6 Definition of Inputs for the Action Plan on the implementation of the UNCRPD</p>	<p>2.4 In progress</p> <p>2.5 Not started</p> <p>2.6 Not started</p>	<p>Planned to be conducted mostly in the 2nd quarter of 2014. The studies of the international expert being recruited, (mentioned under Activity 1.3), will cover this review.</p> <p>Planned to be conducted in the 3rd and 4th quarter of 2014.</p> <p>Planned to be conducted in the 4th quarter of 2014.</p>
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Section 3: Revised Annual Work Plan

Actual total expenditures for 2013 are attached to this Annual Progress Report (Combined Delivery Report)
Annual Work Plan for 2014 is on the following page.

Revised Annual Work Plan
Support to the Implementation and Monitoring of the UNCRPD in Turkey
Year 2014

EXPECTED OUTPUTS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES (AND ACTIONS)	TIMEFRAME				PLANNED BUDGET			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	BUDGET DESCRIPTION	FUNDING SOURCE: TRAC AMOUNT (USD)	FUNDING SOURCE: GOVT AMOUNT (USD)	
<p>ACTIVITY 1: The Set of indicators to be used at the monitoring of implementation of the Convention defined and related Data sets and collection methodologies developed</p> <p>Baseline: - The set of indicators to be used for the monitoring of the implementation of the Convention is not developed</p> <p>Target for 2013: The Set of indicators to be used at the monitoring of implementation of the Convention is defined</p> <p>Indicators: - Presence of the set of indicators</p> <p>ACTIVITY 2: Increased awareness among Line Ministries on the UNCRPD and their required inputs throughout Turkey's Report Preparation Process</p> <p>Target for 2013: Awareness Raising Workshop on the UNCRPD with the participation of the high-level representatives of the Relevant Ministries (Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Ministry</p> <p>Indicators: involvement of line ministries in the process (active participation in the working groups)</p>	1.1. Review of the Current Available Disability indicators in Turkey on Relevant fields including Education, Justice, Finance, Health, Employment, etc.	X				71300 Local Consultants	0,00	16.500,00	
	1.2. Conducting Separate Technical Meetings with each Relevant Ministry on Current Process of Data Collection Monitoring		X	X			71400 Individual Contracts	8.000,00	11.000,00
	1.3. Review of the global practices on Disability Indicators	X					71200 Int'l Consultants	0,00	14.850,00
	1.4. Organization of a Study Tour to a Selected Country/ Organization	X					71600 Travel	0,00	22.800,00
	1.5. Conducting a gap analysis based on the review of the current practices in Turkey and Global Practices / International Obligations	X	X				72100 Contractual Svc	0,00	48.499,00
	1.6. Defining the Relevant Indicators	X					74500 Misc. Expenses	0,00	500,00
	1.7. Developing the data sets to enable regular monitoring of the defined set of indicators	X	X	X			74100 Professional Svc.	0,00	1.750,00
	1.8. Validation of the developed datasets through conducting technical meetings with relevant Ministries			X	X		GMS (3%)	0,00	3.376,00
	1.9. Finalization of the datasets and collection methodologies; to be further integrated with the Data Collection and Monitoring System of the Ministry								
	2.1. Organizations of Awareness Raising Workshops with participation of high-level senior management to secure the government buy-in							8.000,00	119.275,00
	2.2. Establishment of working groups in critical areas such as education, health, justice, employment						71300 Local Consultants	0,00	9.000,00
	2.3. Organization of Consultation Meetings with the GD of the Disabled and Elderly Services and the Ministries on their inputs, roles and responsibilities on the implementation of the UNCRPD	X	X				71400 Individual Contracts	6.077,00	9.713,00
	2.4. Review of the global experiences/practices on the implementation of the UNCRPD as well as report preparation processes		X	X	X		71200 Int'l Consultants	0,00	8.250,00
	2.5. Development of the Monitoring Framework on tracking the progress on the implementation of the UNCRPD		X				71600 Travel	0,00	1.700,00
	2.6. Definition of inputs for the Action Plan on the implementation of the UNCRPD			X	X		72100 Contractual Svc	0,00	3.481,00
					X		74500 Misc. Expenses	0,00	500,00
							74100 Professional Svc		1.750,00
							GMS (3%)	0,00	1.974,00
								6.077,00	89.748,00
						TOTAL	14.077,00	189.023,00	

* Project budgets subject to revision and reallocation between categories and activities as needed/required.
UNDP's Corporate Cost Recovery Policy shall be applicable for reimbursement of UNDP's direct implementation support costs.
The deposits to be made by MESP will be converted into USD and reflected to ATLAS (UNDP's ERP system) by using UN Operational Rate of Exchange prevailing at the date of transaction.
The total budget of the project will be the UNDP TRACK + the sum of the USD values of the deposits to be received from the MESP.

Section 4: Budget and Financial Progress

Financial Status (Provisional and Indicative)

Fiscal Year	Fund	Donor	Responsible Party	Total (USD)	Budget	Expenditure as of 31 Dec. 2013 (USD)	Balance (USD)
2013 (cash in hand)	04000	00012	UNDP		70.000	55.923	14.077
	30071	00244	MFSP		147.565	18.024	129.541
2014 (receivable)	04000	00012	UNDP				
	30071	00244	MFSP		59.482		59.482
Total					277.047 *	73.947	203.100 *

Budget

Deposits	Deposits				Total Budget	Total Received	Remaining
	First Installment		Second Installment				
	Amount	Date Received	Amount	Date Receivable			
UNDP	70.000 USD	April 2013			70.000 USD	70.000 USD	
GoT	147.565 USD (300.000 TL)	Sept 2013	59.482 USD* (114.000 TL)	March 2014	207.047 USD*	147.565 USD	59.482 USD* (114.000 TL)
Total	217.565 USD		59.482 USD*		277.047 USD*	217.565 USD	59.482 USD*

* Indicative USD to be converted from TL when the contribution (second installment) of the GoT will be realized.