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Country: Armenia



STANDARD PROGRESS REPORT

No. and title: 00052119, Support to Participatory Policy Development
Reporting period: January-December, 2009

I. PURPOSE

The goal of the **SPPD AWP** is to reduce the levels of poverty and income inequality in accordance with the MDGs, PRSP and the Government's Programme.

In 2009, National Human Development Report will be prepared aimed at initiating a national debate on migration in Armenia, and to promote the policy reforms in the area by supporting broad public participation and experts' engagement in public policy. UNDP recognizes the need for comprehensive analyses of the issue and development of the policy actions to be taken. 2008 Global HDR also will be devoted to the issue of Migration.

In the framework of the AWP HIV/AIDS prevention activities among migrants and their families will be conducted in three marzes.

In 2009, UNDP Armenia will continue its support to localize the MDGs, which will result in the development of MDG frameworks for each marz (region). These frameworks will be used for the elaboration of the regional/sub-regional/community development plans and for development of policy actions to address regional disparities. MDG Progress Report for the country and for pilot Marz also will be prepared.

The DevInfo was adapted from UNICEF Childinfo technology and provides a useful tool for monitoring progress towards MDGs. The project will seek to enhance the capacity of government partners in roll-out of ArmenialInfo at the national and marz level for monitoring and reporting progress on the MDGs and the SDP.

Responsible partner of the project is the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Armenia

II. RESOURCES

	Contributions is USD
TRAC	80,510.0
UBW	40,000.0
COSF	7,500.0
CCF	5,000.0
Total budget	133,010.0

Total project budget for 2009 is USD 133,010.0, of which UNDP provided USD 80,510.0, UBW – USD 40,000.0, COSF – USD 7,500.0 and CCF – USD 5,000.0.

III. RESULTS

Main activities for January-December, 2009 are the following:

Activity 1. Support to MDGs

- Avag Solutions is contracted for to prepare MDG progress report. Regional frameworks and pilot report for Shirak marz. Draft documents were submitted to UNDP, reflecting implications of global financial crisis. After review from UNCT and other stakeholders will incorporate comments and finalize.
- Technical and financial support has been provided to AIPRG for organization of Conference on Implication of global financial crisis on Armenia.

- Training on DevInfo 6.0 database and input of MDG indicators was organized in National Statistics Service office of Armenia during October 26-30, 2009.
- Expert hired for revision of Sustainable Development Program.



Activity 2. Preparation of National Human Development Report 2009 on Migration.

- Team of experts for drafting the NHDR-2009 has been chosen and contracted.
- The concept and outline of the Report have been finalized.
- The draft of the Report has been submitted by experts.
- Report chapter on migration management policy has been discussed with key interested parties.
- Draft Report was translated into English
- Draft Report was ready and discussed in the November.
- The Report shall be published in the beginning of 2010
- Global Human Development Report was launched in October, 2009

Activity 3. HIV/AIDS issues mainstreamed into strategic development documents

- Armenian National AIDS Foundation has been contracted to conduct HIV prevention activities among mobile population in three marzes: Ararat, Gegharkunik and Armavir: one urban, two rural communities per marz. The work will be finalized by the end of November, 2009.

IV. FUTURE PLANS

Activity 1. Support to MDGs.

Actions:

- 1.1 MDG Regional frameworks and Report finalization.
- 1.2 Finalize the paper on Poverty reduction and Human Development for the Revision of Sustainable Development Program.

Activity 2. Preparation of National Human Development Report 2009 on Migration.

Actions:

- 2.1 Publication of the Report.
- 2.2 Launch of NHDR-2009.

V. FINANCIAL IMPLEMENTATION

Total implementation amount is **48,391.91** which is **46.0 %** of the total budget.

Period	TRAC	UBW	COSF	CCF	Total
Planned for January-December, 2009	80,510.0	40,000.0	7,500.0	5,000.0	133,010.0
Delivered during January-December, 2009	30,000.0	31,000.0	7,450.0	0.0	68,450.0