

Government of Nepal

Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development

Local Governance and Community Development Programme

Name of Meeting

NAC- SC Meeting (33)

DATE: 14 AUGUST 2013

LOCATION: MINISTRY OF FEDERAL AFFAIRS AND LOCAL DEVELOPMENT, SINGHDURBAR

TIME START: 12:00 TIME END: 14:00

COORDINATOR: MR. BODH RAJ NIROULA, JOINT SECRETARY/ NPD

Agenda	Decisions made	Action (if any) to be taken by whom and by when:
Introduction	Mr. Bodh Raj Niroula welcomed the participants and briefed about the main agenda of the meeting. The main agenda includes endorsement of Joint Financing Arrangement, timeline of National Advisory Committee meeting and endorsement of Annual Strategic Implementation Plan 2013/14.	
Endorsement of JFA document	<p>The committee discussed in detail on sections v,vi and xi of the Joint Financing Arrangement document for clarification and common understanding. The section v is related to planning, review and disbursement decisions while the section vi and xi are related to development partners contribution & disbursement process and corruption respectively. Mr Jaydeep Biswas highlighted in brief the comments and suggestions in JFA document circulated by Programme Coordination Unit. He also informed that JFA document is crucial for development partners.</p> <p>The committee agreed to consider budget released to VDCs and Municipalities as</p>	

	<p>expenditure for financial monitoring report.</p> <p>Mr. Niroula informed that JFA is a policy document and it should be simple and acceptable to all the stakeholders. He proposed to agree in principle on JFA document and proceed further to refine and edit the document. The committee decided to form a task force consisting of following members to refine and edit the JFA document:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Mr. Gopi Khanal ii) Mr. Purusottam Nepal iii) Mr. Jaydeep Biswas <p>The task force will refine and edit the JFA document by 19 August 2013. The Programme Coordination Unit will forward the edited version of JFA to the Ministry of Finance for approval and to the development partners for necessary action.</p> <p>The committee decided to endorse in principle the JFA document. It was also decided to sign the JFA document by the second week of September 2013. Mr. Niroula requested the development partners to forward the bilateral agreement document to the Ministry of Finance for necessary action. The signing of JFA and bilateral agreement will take place on the same day.</p>	
<p>Time line of NAC meeting</p>	<p>The committee decide to organize the National Advisory Committee meeting on 25 September 2013. In the NAC meeting development partners will confirm their financial contribution for LGCDP-II. The tentative financial contribution of development partners for LGCDP-II are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) DFiD = US\$ 69 million (JFA = US\$ 46 million & climate and environment = US\$ 23 million) ii) Norway = US\$ 10 million (JFA) iii) Denmark = US\$ 6 million (JFA) iv) SDC = US\$ 10 million (JFA) v) UNDP = US\$ 2 million (JFA= US\$ 0.2 million, JFTA = US\$ 1.8 million) vi) UNCDF = US\$ 1.6 million (JFA 	

	<p>& JFTA)</p> <p>vii) UNICEF = US\$ 4.47 million (JFA = US\$ 1.12 million & Programme Alignment = US\$ 3.5 million)</p> <p>viii) UN Women = US\$ 0.4 million (JFA = US\$ 0.1 million & JFTA = US\$ 0.3 million)</p> <p>ix) UNFPA = US\$ 6.16 million (JFA= US\$ 0.4 million & Programme Alignment = US\$ 5.76 million)</p> <p>x) GiZ = US\$ 1 million (Programme Alignment)</p>	
<p>Highlights on ASIP 2013:14</p>	<p>Mr. Purusottam Nepal highlighted in brief the Annual Strategic Implementation Plan 2013/14 of LGCDP-II. The estimated budget of ASIP 2013/14 is Rs 23,797 million of which the contribution of GoN is 78.19% and that of development partners is 21.81 %. The committee agreed in principle the ASIP 2013/14 of LGCDP-II.</p> <p>The committee felt necessary to organize Output Groups meeting to discuss activities included in ASIP 2013/14.</p>	<p>Mr. Purusottam Nepal in consultation with development partners will constitute Output Groups under the chairperson of Section Chief of concern Section of MoFALD. The chairperson of Output Groups will organize meeting at least two week before the next Sub-NAC meeting.</p>
<p>AOB</p>	<p>Mr Jaydeep made an enquiry on MoFALD's decision to terminate the service contract of Local Service Providers and to continue the service contract of Social Mobilizers. He also requested to inform to development partners in taking such decision in the future.</p> <p>Mr. Niroula in response to Mr. Jaydeep enquiry mentioned that MoFALD decision is inevitable because there is no fund with PCU to continue the service contract of LSPs as JFA is yet to sign. He mentioned that in order to maintain the momentum of social mobilization activities MoFALD decided to hire the best performing Social Mobilizers as an interim arrangement. He made it clear that MoFALD will not divert in LGCDP II from the agreed principle of mobilizing local NGOs in social mobilization rather they will be given more responsibility. He also mentioned that MoFALD has decided to</p>	

	conduct an intensive study on social mobilization to identify the approach and modality as well as strategy including the role and responsibility of local NGOs in implementation of social mobilization in LGCDP-II.	
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ATTENDANCE LOG

S.NO	NAME	DESIGNATION	ORGANIZATION
1	Mr. Bodh Raj Niroula	Joint Secretary/ NPD	MoFALD/LGCDP
2	Mr. Gopi Khanal	Joint Secretary	MoFALD
3	Mr. Purusottam Nepal	Under Secretary/Programme Manager	MoFALD/LGCDP
4	Mr. Jaydeep Biswas	Governance Advisor	DFID
5	Mr. Hakon Galbrandsen	Min. Counselor	Norway
6	Mr. Yam Nath Sharma	Team Leader/SPS	UNDP
7	Mr. Bholu P. Dahal	Governance Advisor	Norway
8	Ms. Catherine Breem Kankong	Deputy Representative	UNFPA
9	Mr. Takakiyo Koizumi	PFA	JICA
10	Mr. Rune Qvale	JFA Coordinator	LGCDP
11	Mr. Will Parks	Dep. Representative	UNICEF
12	Mr. Siddhanta Vikram	Senior PFM Specialist	ADB
13	Mr. Lal B. Khatri	Under Secretary	MoF
14	Mr. Durga Khatiwada	Programme Officer	UN Women
15	Mr. Babu Ram Shrestha	Under Secretary	MoFALD
16	Dr. Horst Mathaus	Programme Coordinator	GiZ
17	Mr. Saroj Nepal	Sr. Programme Officer	Denmark
18	Mr. Vijaya Thapa	Assistant Representative	UNFPA
19	Mr. Nama Raj Adhikar	Sr. Programme Officer	JICA
20	Mr. Jean Francois Cuenod	Head of Cooperation	SDC
21	Mr. Kalanidhi Devkota	Executive Secretary	MUAN
22	Mr. Hiramani Ghimire	Governance Specialist	World Bank
23	Mr. Pragyan Joshi	PO	UNCDF
24	Dr. Raghu Shrestha	M& E Specialist	LGCDP
25	Mr. Bishwo Raj Basaula	FM Specialist	LGCDP
26	Mr. Kamal Jnawali	Section Officer	MoFALD/LGCDP
27	Ram Krishan Lamichane	Section Officer	MoFALD

Minute recorded by Raghu Shrestha, minute forwarded by Purusottam Nepal, minute endorsed by Bodh Raj Niroula