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ANNUAL PROGRAMME REPORT 2014

Realizing the MDGs in Lao PDR - Consolidated Programme of Support to MPI for the Achievement of the Valuable Goals of the 7th NSEDP 2011-2015

Basic Programme Information

(Basic information can be completed by UNDP before sharing the report with the partner)

Programme Title: Realizing the MDGs in Lao PDR - Consolidated Programme of Support to MPI for the Achievement of the Valuable Goals of the 7th NSEDP 2011-2015

UNDP Award ID	00061662 <u>00078225</u> - Support to consultative planning, implementation, monitoring, assessing and reporting on the NSEDP/MDGs; <u>00078226</u> - Support to strengthening the Round Table Process for achievement of NSEDP/MDGs;
UNDP Project IDs and Titles (Components 1-4)	<u>00078227</u> - Support to effective monitoring and evaluation of progress towards goals of NSEDP/MDGs via LaoInfo; <u>00078228</u> - Support to advancing human development through policy informing research on human development issues especially relevant for achieving NSEDP/MDGs.
Programme Duration	5 years (2011-2015)
Reporting Period	1 st January - 31 st December 2014
Implementing Partners National collaborating agencies	Ministry of Planning and Investment [Department of Planning (DOP), Lao Statistics Bureau (LSB), Department of International Cooperation (DIC), and National Economic Research Institute (NERI)]
Other UN/International collaborating agencies	UNEP Poverty Environment Initiative
Cost-sharing third parties	SDC and the Government of Luxembourg

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UNDAF and Country Programme Outcome 1:	By 2015, the Government of Lao PDR has effectively implemented the MDG-based NSEDP for more inclusive, equitable and sustainable development

1. Programme Implementation Status and Key Results

Implementation Status Summary at Outcome level *(This needs to be completed by project)*

- ❖ *What development condition has changed in the country under this outcome area with or without UNDP support (maximum 150 words) - if there is any during the reporting period. Outcome-level changes including changes in institutional capacity and performance, changes in capacities, attitudes, and behavior among individuals or groups, and changes in enabling conditions such as social, economic, political, governance conditions, policies, legislation, power relations, norms, etc...*

In 2014, it has been noted a number of changes in terms of institutional capacity and performance, capacity and attitudes as well as enabling conditions as follows:

- Greater acceptance of the outcome approach for planning and better understanding of how the relevant sectors can provide inputs for the draft plan. The government took important steps to shift from output based planning into the outcome based planning of the 8th NSEDP in the next period.
- Government received better access to information and experiences from various contexts on the development planning area. Knowledge sharing and expert advisory were provided and facilitated by various development partners, such as UNDP, ADB, World Bank, Swiss Development Cooperation to assist the government with substantive inputs and trigger discussion over the direction of Lao PDR's development.
- Improved timeliness of data population in the LaoInfo and increased awareness of the use of statistics
- Coordination mechanism among parties concerned has been strengthened both vertically and horizontally reflecting in an increased participation of various stakeholders at different levels in the development process particularly the implementation of national development goals/priorities and plans. This helps address various cross-cutting issues, for example food and nutrition security, macroeconomic management
- Through dialogue at the Round Table, development partners gained better understanding on the government's policies and procedures, as well as its development priorities resulting in an increase of their contribution both technically and financially to support the implementation of the national development plans.
- Research capacity building for National Economic Research Institute has increased by undertaking studies related to LDC graduation. This allows Lao researchers to upgrade their research skills and be able to understand policies on how Lao PDR can graduate from LDC status more effectively.

- ❖ *What was UNDP's specific contribution to these changes at this Outcome level during the reporting period? Please note that the contributions can be from the work that the project did prior to this year but the results take place this year.*

- Through providing training for local planners and guidance, capacity of provincial planners to report and produce the plan has seen increasing and less mistakes.
- Through providing an international consultant, the 8th NSEDP plan structure was revised to improve the quality and link better with LDC graduation criteria and reflected the development partner's comments.
- 8th NSEDP formulation milestone developed and with outline of consultative plan. A number of concerned line ministries were guided and consulted on their inputs for the 8th NSEDP draft as well as the 7th NSEDP implementation report.
- Finalisation of M&E framework for NSEDP and become the first logical framework for systematically monitoring the implementation of the NSEDP.
- The programme supported the dissemination of statistics law and literacy manual, helping users to better apply statistics in their work, including planning and monitoring the progress
- Publication of data analysis from Local Expenditure Consumption Survey V which provide more updated data especially related to poverty and social development status
- Discussions at the Round Table Implementation Meeting held in November 2014 were improved by having more focused discussions around the points from last year meeting and the key emerging issues within the year. The 2014 recommendations and suggestions were captured in the report to be followed up by relevant parties.

- The preparation of annual foreign aid report from Aid Management Platform database and a monitoring report of Vientiane Declaration on Aid Effectiveness Country Action Plan (VDCAP), which provided an overview of development effectiveness and partnerships progress at country level
- Enabled national researchers to conduct studies related to LDC graduation which can help informing policy gaps in order to better prepare the country. Also, increase understanding of key research and planners on LDC and Sustainable Development Goals through providing resource person from UNDP Bangkok Regional Hub. In addition, the programme facilitated knowledge sharing workshop with neighboring countries (China and Vietnam) with the aim to promote also the south-south cooperation.

❖ *What are your programme components' key Output level results during the reporting period?*

Component 1 - Support to consultative planning, implementation, monitoring, assessing and reporting on the NSEDP/MDGs

- A process of preparing NSEDP annual plan through seeking inputs from line ministries and provinces was done timely and presented at the national assembly ordinary session. The content on poverty reduction and MDGs was outlined in the first part of annual plan and implementation report, and remained a strong emphasis of 2013-2014 plan implementation progress report.
- Better application of good planning principles. The 8th NSEDP developed with an outcome basis and integrated with financing and M&E Framework for the plan implementation. The preparation of 8th NSEDP was on track. The 8th NSEDP concept plan was redefined with an inclusion of 8th NSEDP preparation process and timeline, draft table of content and the outcome matrix. In order to have participation from relevant sectors, consultation workshops were organized. The draft financing and M&E framework was developed to guide the preparation of the draft 8th NSEDP and ensure the plan affordability as well as strategic financing mechanism.
- M&E mechanism of the government on the 7th NSEDP was established. The 7th NSEDP M&E Framework was finalized and approved by MPI with inclusion of a set of PE indicators. The framework has been widely disseminated to the LMs/concerned sectors and agreed to be use as a basis for developing the M&E Framework for the 8th plan in the next period. Vientiane province was selected as a pilot province for testing M&E framework at local level to demonstrate PE mainstreaming into the M&E and reporting of the plan implementation.
- The list of One District One Project (ODAP) projects that has green growth element is being developed and will provide inputs for the investment profile for resource mobilization for the pilot provinces.
- Through a series of dissemination activities on MDG progress report and SDG consultation, understanding of public and government officials in both national and sub-national level on MDG and country's preparation for aligning with SDGs have seen increased. A series of workshops were organized by MOFA component, such as workshop on MDGs to raise awareness for teachers and students at the university level; introduction workshop to SDGs with emphasis on MDG 9. These intended to harmonize with the awareness raising on the SDGs, and how it link with 8th NSEDP and long-term development strategy.

Component 2 - Support to effective monitoring and evaluation of progress towards goals of NSEDP/MDGs via LaoInfo

- Better utilization of LaoInfo database to capture recent survey and census for production of key reports and statistics updates. For example, publication of statistical report which provided a status of national socio-economic development of the country, and the report on socio-economic trend of Lao PDR, the data of the report will be taken from LaoInfo database
- Through training and workshops, capacity of users, and system administrators have increased. This helps to encourage a higher utilization of the system for working and decision making process.
- Through dissemination on statistics law and literacy guideline, capacity of government officials on basic statistic knowledge has improved

Component 3 - Support to strengthening the Round Table Process for achievement of NSEDP/MDGs

- Successfully organised the annual Round Table Implementation Meeting and its associated activities and in an inclusive and consultative manner. Participants beyond government and development partners, such as civil society organisations both local and international, and private sectors were involved in the meeting in November as its provincial consultation in September. The Roadmap which

outlined the concept and objective of the RTIM was distributed early in the year to seek feedback and suggestion from relevant parties. This has enhanced a quality and inclusiveness of consultation process of the Round Table Process.

- The RT provincial consultation meeting topic hit the contemporary issue and helped to bring about a better coordination. The meeting was conducted in Saravane province in September to follow up progress and challenges of the implementation of the Multisectoral (Convergence) Food and Nutrition Security Action Plan at provincial level. The outcomes of these pre-consultations were incorporated in the quality substantive background document prepared to inform the discussions at the Annual Round Table Implementation Meeting (RTIM).
- Increased effective contribution to initiatives on development effectiveness at national, regional and global levels. This was achieved through a production of a monitoring report on the VDCAP, participation and sharing knowledge through a number of regional and global events on partnership for effective development cooperation, namely Cote d'Ivoire in February, South Korea and Germany in March, Mexico City in April and also New York in July 2014, and participation in the 3rd global accountability survey in preparation for the 2014 development cooperation forums.
- Conducted a study to inform preparation for possible implication from the LDC gradation. The Development Finance and Aid Assessment (DFAA) Study has been carried out to review and assess development financing status and trends of Lao PDR and the results is expected to inform the aid cooperation policy and NSEDP financing framework.
- ODA information has been made available through online database AMP and publication of various reports, and help to provide more evidence based discussions and policy decision making process. The publications include a semi-annual Foreign Aid Implementation Report (FAIR 2013-2014) and draft annual FAIR 2013-2014, as well as the updated donor profile which also uses data and information entered into the AMP system by development partners.
- Training/workshops coupled with spot check exercise on the revised NIM SOP was provided for programme/project supporting teams to ensure a correct application of the guidelines and ultimately an effective management of the project/programme

Component 4- Support to advancing human development through policy informing research on human development issues especially relevant for achieving NSEDP/MDGs.

- Successfully implement awareness raising activity through the country launch of global human development report 2014 and dissemination workshops in provincial national universities, namely Champasack and Savannakhet universities on 15 and 17 December 2014.
- Completion of first ever Human Development textbook in Lao language
- Through exchange from Chinese and Vietnamese resource people on planning, the government received more inputs and recommendations on improving their long term strategy 2025 and the next development plan
- Successfully started commissioning three Research and complete its data collection phase Through a regular preparation of Consumer Sentiment Index and Business Tendency Index reports, the government is able to have a tool to monitor quarterly progress and status of economic development

Implementation Progress Summary at Output level

(Provide details on key Output/Activity during the reporting period in below table. Please add Output/activities as per QWP/AWP. UNDP can pre-fill the table for the first 5 columns. Project needs to complete last 3 columns. Where implementation delays for an activity, please indicate alternative actions being suggested or taken, e.g. changes to activity dates, proposed meetings to discuss delays and so forth.)

OUTPUT ¹ In line with 2014 AWP	INDICATOR (Including Baseline and Target at the end of the project as per Project Document)	MILESTONE (Target of the current reporting year)	STATUS OF TARGET (Achieved, On Track or Off Track)	PLANNED ACTIVITIES List all activities to be undertaken during the period as stated in 2014 AWP	ACTIVITY PROGRESS TO DATE Give detailed explanation of the status. Provide justification if delayed and new schedule planned and provide response strategy if any	RESULTS ACHIEVED			BENEFICIARY Approximate number of beneficiaries reached by project activities (disaggregated by sex/age), etc.
						Describe concrete, key results (policy, publication, key event etc.) achieved so far, vis-à-vis the specific targets set in the QWP/AWP. Please provide data/evidence to support the results			
Component 1: Support to Consultative Planning, Implementation, Monitoring, Assessing and Reporting on the NSEDP/MDGs									
Output 1.1: The 7th NSEDP is converted into annual plans and PIPs through a consultative manner that emphasizes poverty reduction/MDGs	Indicators: 1-1. Availability of annual instruction on formulation and implementation the annual plan and provincial (2014-15) with focus more on the MDGs and poverty reduction	Target 2014: 1-1. Annual instruction on formulation and implementation of the annual plan and provincial (2014-15) with focus more on the MDGs and poverty reduction	On-track	1.1.1 Mainstream PE and MDG issues into annual planning guideline(s) 2014/2015.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	The planners were able to produce their plan in accordance with the MPI's requirement. The guideline on preparation of the Annual NSEDP 2014-15 was developed taking into account the PE issues, and was distributed to all line ministries, mass organizations and provinces	Central and local planners		
Baselines:	1-2. Availability of recommendation produced Manual for formulation of the NSEDP (subject to fund availability)	1-2. Draft 8th NSEDP with incorporation of the results from MTR	On-track	1.1.2 Assist Department of Planning to conduct two dissemination and training workshops on the annual development plan guideline and participatory planning guideline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Local planners especially in remote provinces who received training were able to produce their plan in an accurate and coherent manner. Dissemination & training workshops were conducted under the joint budget from the MPI and provincial government to guide the	6		

¹ Please note that for GEF projects, GEF Outcomes are actually Outputs in UNDP context

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	On-track	1.1.3-a Assist mainstream PE and Green Economy concepts into the 8th NSEDP Formulation Guideline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	The 8 th NSEDP draft was prepared with a consideration of the green development and sustainable growth as a future direction of the country development
	On-track	1.1.3-b Assist DoP to formulate 8th NSEDP by providing critical technical assistance and ensuring PEI and green growth economy concept are mainstreamed into the plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Same as above
	On-track	Activity 1.1.3-c Mainstream PEI and green growth economy concept into the 8 th plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Same as above
	Off-track	Activity 1.1.3-d Conduct a seminar to disseminate the draft 8th NSEDP that incorporates PE and green growth concepts	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: <u>The draft is not yet ready due to delay in submitting the inputs from LMs/provinces</u> New Schedule: <u>Jan-Feb 2015</u> Response Strategy: <u>Conduct meetings with pending LMs & conduct regional meetings with</u>	

		<p><i>provinces in three regions (North, Central & South) to continue guiding the plan formulation</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____</p>	
Achieved	Activity 1.1.3-e Seminars with line sectors individually on 8th NSEDP formulation for collecting inputs	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed</p> <p>Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____</p>	<p>Through consultations and line ministries understand their inputs and the outcome approach planning, and the 8th NSEDP writing teams were able to seek the comments and inputs directly from concerned people.</p> <p>Seminar with sector was held on 29th September 2014 with the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, and followed by series of seminars MOIC, MPWT, MOES, MOH, MLSW and MONRE.</p>
Achieved	Activity 1.1.3-f Study visit to the United Kingdom on the planning practice and follow up activities	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed</p> <p>Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____</p>	<p>Key MPI officials working on the 8th NSEDP received more knowledge and learnt best practices on both planning and financial from the UK government offices on June 2014.</p> <p>As a result of the study exchange, the delegates conducted a seminar for DOP staff and to some concerned departments within MPI on September 2014 to share what</p>

	<p>they learn and discuss how to implement some of the practices in Lao PDR system.</p> <p>Also, some of the recommendations were concretely reflected throughout the preparation of the 8th plan, for instance, partnership and involvement of local community and private sector in the planning process, considering to adopt UK Planning Inspectorate working system in assessing the PIP by ensuring transparency and accountability of the responsible agency, effective involvement of civil society, non-government organization in the planning process, and the need to strengthen coordination between line ministries in the planning process and have the champion to lead and debate on the issues</p>	<p>DOP staffs are aware of achievements, challenges, and action plan of the DOP on monitoring, evaluation, and reporting of the 7th NSEDP in the remaining years and preparation for the outcome-based plan formulation of the 8th NSEDP (2016-2020). The results of</p>
Achieved	<p>Activity 1.1.3-g</p> <p>Training DOP staffs on new approach (outcome based) of NSEDP and PIP formulation</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed</p> <p>Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____</p>

			the meeting were then be incorporated into the draft work plan 2015 for the NSEDP project and will be presented at the Annual Review Meeting MPI Programme in January 2015 for approval.
Off Track	Activity 1.1.4 Finalize National Manual on the National Socio-Economic Development Plan of Lao PDR (Aiming at further improving Lao version and translate into English)	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: <i>Major improvement needed after STA review on the current draft</i> New Schedule: Q1 2015 Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	There has been limited progress on this activity. It is found that the draft manual in Lao needs great improvement after compiling all inputs from different departments and thus, English translation has not yet been able to begin. In this connection, the current draft manual will go through another revision and the recommendation note by international consultant for further improvement.
On-track	Activity 1.1.5 Prepare monthly, quarterly, and annual reports on 2013-14 NSEDP and PIP implementation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	The MPI senior government officials have access to information on periodic progress and status of the NSEDP. Minister and Vice Minister of MPI as well as other senior officers (upon demand)
On-track	Activity 1.1.6 Disseminate widely Annual NSEDP and PIP 2014-15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____	Through publication of the Annual NSEDP and PIP 2014-15, government officers and people concerned will have access to the status report and plan for the new fiscal year

Output 1.2:	Indicator:	Target 2014:	On-track	1.2.1 Support monitoring, analysis and developing recommendations on off-track MDG and PE linkages	<input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	
					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed	<input type="checkbox"/> In progress
Targeted actions to address off-track MDGs and key environment issues incorporated in annual plans	1.2.1. Availability of recommendations to address off-track MDGs produced as a foundation for implementing the 7th NSEDP in the remaining years and preparation for the 8th NSEDP formulation (2016-2020) (subject to fund availability)	1.2.1. Recommendations to address off-track MDGs produced as a foundation for implementing the 7th NSEDP in the remaining years and preparation for the 8th NSEDP formulation (2016-2020) (subject to fund availability)	On-track	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> In progress</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Delayed</p>	Contributed in Southern part M&E activities. Some project implementation in Southern provinces were monitored, focusing in Champasack province as most mega projects there.	Southern Provincial Authorities

	implementation of the Annual NSEDP 2013-14	On-track	Activity 1.2.2 Follow up recommendations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed	The recommendations and suggested areas from the Mid Term Review of 7 th NSEDP were outlined and considered throughout the preparation of the annual plan as well as the 8 th NSEDP
	Baseline: 1.2.1. Monitoring on progress of MGD and PE linkages are needed as foundation for remaining years of 7 th NSEDP implementation and preparation for formulation of the 8 th NSEDP (2016-2020) 1.2.2. Follow up on MTR recommendations is needed to ensure implementation of the 7 th NSEDP achieve as planned			Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	
Output 2: Macroeconomic analysis and management conducted to contribute to the macroeconomic achievements outlined in the NSEDP					
Output 2.1: The result from the analysis and reports are incorporated into annual plans through a consultative process	Indicators: 2-1. Number of research studies to support the formulation of the 8 th plan are commissioned	On-track	Activity 2.1.1 Continue supporting monthly consultation meetings with key sectors (BoL, MoF) in	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed	Regular communication and consultation with MoF and BoL were maintained to monitor trend of macroeconomic and able to report to the senior

Output 3: Capacity for local planning and implementation improved at the central and local levels

Output 3.1: Increased understanding on Kumban planning experiences on the ground to further improve the process	Indicators: 3-1. Number of dissemination and trainings on PPM at local level 3-2. Availability of PPM assessment report	Target: 3-1. PPM is officially launched and trained 3-2. Availability of PPM Assessment Report	Achieved	3.1.1 Launch Participatory Planning Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed	Reason: New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes: _____	The launch of PPM was done through the consultation and training for provincial planners. The manual helps to reinforce the principle and importance of participatory planning approach and how they can do it.
	Baseline: 3-1. Implementation of participatory planning manual (PPM) not yet officially launched 3-2. PPM assessment report not available	Off Track	3.1.2 Conduct dissemination (linking with 1.1.2) and training for planning facilitators at central and provincial levels using the Participatory Planning Manual	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed	Reason: New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other changes: <i>Fund for this activity was used to support the study visit to strengthen 8th plan writers on understanding the outcome based structure, organizational coordination and implementation as well as monitoring and evaluation of the outcome based plan.</i>	A more urgent need for 8 th NSEDP to get good lesson on the planning practice was identified, and therefore, the UK study visit was conducted. Main results of the study visit include improved knowledge for the DOP team on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The role of central government in the promotion of sustainable economic growth• Balancing equality and economic growth: growth in the regions versus growth in London and the more prosperous regions• Central government - local government coordination for sustainable economic growth and the split between their responsibilities<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inter-sectoral coordination at national level• Integration of national planning and budgeting<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How the Cabinet, line	Key writers of the 8 th NSEDP (2016-2020)

			ministries, the Prime Minister's Office and the Ministry of Finance work together in determining policies, setting outcomes and ensuring adequate public financing	
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning, appraisal, selection and implementation of national infrastructure development • Participatory national and local development planning • The role of non-State actors in the planning process: the community and the private sector in planning. 	
	Off track	Activity 3.1.3 Monitor Implementation on Participatory Planning Manual	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other changes: same as above	Same as above
	Off track	Activity 3.1.4 Conduct assessment on implementation of participatory planning Manual	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other changes: same as above	Same as above
	On track	Activity 3.1.5 Strengthen local capacity on project prioritization and management in target districts with	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____	Linked with Activity 1.1.2

			<input type="checkbox"/> mindful poverty-environment concerns and off-track MDGs (linking with 3-build activities)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other changes	
Output 3.2: Capacity building for local level planners enhanced to promote the use of participatory approaches, incorporate poverty-environment issues and off-track MDGs	Indicators: 3-2-1. Number of government officials trained on green growth concepts at central and provincial levels 3-2-2. Availability of assessment reports on priority PIP and ODOP for pilot provinces produced 3-2-3. Availability of investment profile for Oudomxay province produced	Targets: 1. At least 2 trainings conducted to increase awareness on green growth planning 2. Assessment reports on priority PIP and ODOP for pilot provinces produced 3. Investment profile for Oudomxay province produced	On-track	3.2.1-a Strengthen capacity of government officials on sustainable/green growth economy concepts at central level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____ 3.2.1-b Strengthen capacity for government officials on sustainable/green growth economy at provincial level
	Baseline: 3-2-1 Three trainings on green growth concept organized at provincial level 3-2-2 Assessment reports on priority PIP and ODOP for pilot provinces not available 3-2-3. Investment profile for Oudomxay province is not available		On-track	3.2.2 Assess priority PIP and one district one product plan for Oudomxay	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____ The PIP list of related green economy sectors was prepared for three pilot provinces (Huaphanh, Saravane and Oudomxay), and was aimed to link with existing ODOP planned project so that the investment profile can be developed to find possible funding

				<i>growth</i> New 2015 Response Hire Short-term Consultant investment profile	Schedule: Q2 National to finalise <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes	
Output 4: Substantially improved monitoring, assessment and reporting framework and enhanced capacity of MPI and three provinces to monitor and report on plan implementation using LaoInfo						
Output 4.1: Strengthen monitoring and reporting capacity of MPI and planners with the use of improved and updated data from LaoInfo	Indicators: 4-1. Availability of a set of approved 7th NSEDP monitoring indicators 4-2. Availability of 7th NSEDP M&E framework 4-3. Availability of M&E indicators in DI monitoring 4-4. Application of the outcome basis M&E framework is tested at provincial level	Target 2014: 4-1. A set of 7th NSEDP monitoring indicators identified and approved 4-2. 7th NSEDP M&E framework is finalized 4-3. Data from 7th NSEDP M&E framework (DI monitoring) are used by planning officials 4-4. Application of the outcome basis M&E framework is tested in Vientiane Province	Achieved	Activity 4.1.1 Supporting activities/processes leading to the finalization of the NSEDP M&E framework with PE inclusion of indicators	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Five indicators relevant to PE issues have been incorporated in the M&E Framework for 7 th NSEDP, which has been finalized and approved by MPI (see Annex). This finalization enabled the project to start the preparation for testing this M&E framework in Vientiane province as a pilot
	Baseline: 4-1. Key NSEDP monitoring indicators produced by LSB 4-2. Draft M&E framework produced		Achieved	Activity 4.1.2 Conduct consultation workshop to finalize 7 th NSEDP M&E Framework with stakeholders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	The workshop was held for half a day on 2 nd Oct. Through this meeting, the M&E Framework was agreed among line ministries as a tool to monitor and evaluate 7 th plan implementation. It is also agreed that this framework will be a basis for developing the M&E Framework for the 8 th plan in the next period.
				On-track	Activity 4.1.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed M&E pilot was designed and DOP/MPI,

		Testing outcome based reporting for the implementation of the 7th NSEDP 2013/2014 against 7th NSEDP M&E framework that includes PE indicators and pilot outcome based reporting in Vientiane province.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	communication materials have been developed to support the pilot activity which the actual pilot monitoring is expected by 2015.	Vientiane DPI and other line departments in the province.
		On-track	Activity 4.1.4 Two training workshops on the application of the 7th NSEDP M&E framework including the utilization of the DI monitoring tool at central and provincial levels	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	The TOT on M&E has been conducted for DOP staffs linking to Activity 4.1.3 (See detail above).
		On-track	Activity 4.1.5 Assist DoP to adapt 7th NSEDP M&E Framework to support 8th NSEDP (M&E Framework)	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	However, broader trainings are planned for next year including application of DI monitoring tool which is being developed and improved. Concept for M&E Framework for 8 th NSEDP has been included in the working draft of the plan with 7 th NSEDP M&E Framework as a basis.
Output 5: Strengthened capacity of the MDG and LDC Secretariats to coordinate, advocate and facilitate progress towards the MDGs and implementation of the LDC Plan of Action (MOFA).	Indicators: MDG and awareness of the LDC Plan of Action at provincial levels	Targets: 5.1. Youth knowledge on the findings of third MDGs reports enhanced 5.2. Availability of reference materials	Achieved 5.1. Findings of the third MDGs report is disseminated to students and young government officials through official workshops 5.2. Reference materials	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	MDG Secretariat office was able to regularly function and perform their required and planned activities, including produce substantive inputs for senior officers attending global and regional forum

	of the Programme Action 2004	Almaty of the Almaty Action 2014 produced	Achieved	5.1.2 Workshops on the Findings of the Third MDGs Report for Provincial Authorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Government official from LMs aware and understand MDGs and its current status through the consultation meeting	LMs participants, (56 female) 40%
	Baseline: 5.1.Third MDG report produced 5.2. Reference materials of the Almaty Programme of Action 2004 available		Achieved	5.1.3 Internal Preparatory Meeting for the Global Ten-Year Review Conference on the implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action on LLDCs to be held in 2014	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	The officers participated were able to report on the country progress and incorporate the declaration or recommendations from the meeting back to country's report and strategy for LDC	MoFA participants 4
			On-track	5.1.4 Attend MDG Regional Meeting and 70th Annual Session of UNESCAP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Through this meeting, Lao PDR post-MDG concept was presented and priority areas were identified especially in linking to the unfinished business of MDGs	Students at NUOL (98 students, 45% female)
			Achieved	5.1.5 Dissemination Workshops on the Finding of the Third MDGs Report for University Students	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Enable an outreach to the young student and raise their awareness and correct understanding of MDGs and its current status. University students were briefed on the results from the 3rd MDG Progress Report was organized	Students at NUOL (98 students, 45% female)

			through a consultation meeting which organized at NUOL, Vientiane. Through this meeting, the new approach of outcome planning was also informed to the NUOL students and the teachers in order to raise their awareness on the government's policies.	Line Ministries (78 participants, of which 30% are female)
		On-track	Activity 5.1.6-a Organize a workshop on introduction to Post MDG discussions with emphasis on MDG 9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____
		On-track	Activity 5.1.6-b Attend 69 th Session of UN General Assembly meeting under the leadership of the Prime Minister.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____

			<input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	PDR was able to participate in global discussion on the post MDG agenda and share their vision on how to move forward
Component 2: Support to Effective Monitoring and Evaluation of Progress towards Goals of NSEDP/MDGs via LaoInfo				
Output 1: An effective Common data base established to support evidence-based reporting, planning and decision making at the national and sub national to help guide implementation of NSEDP/MDGs	1.1. Availability of statistical report.	On-track	Activity 1.1 Produce statistical report to present the status of national socio-economic development of the country using LaoInfo database system and publish it to support effective implementation of NSEDP/MDGs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____
	1.1. The Statistical report is completely developed and published			Statistical report available to present the status of national socio-economic development of the country using LaoInfo database system and publish it to support effective implementation of NSEDP/MDGs
	1.2. Updated MDG and National Socio-Economic Database with latest updated data.	Achieved	Activity 1.2 Printing and translation of a report on socio-economic trend of Laos, the data of the report will be taken from LaoInfo database	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____
	1.2. MDG and national socio-economic database are updated and published through LaoInfo and website			Complete a report on socio-economic trend of Laos which helps to inform current status of poverty in the country
	1.3. Availability of DI monitoring tool for NSEDP.	On-track	Activity 1.3 Organizing training workshop on LaoInfo application for high level government official staffs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____
	1.3 Online DI monitoring tool for framework			DI tool was developed and trained user on 19/09/2014. The training provided users with more understanding on how to use LaoInfo database system. Especially, finding and making presentations.
		Achieved	Activity 1.4 Updating the MDG and National	40 persons (12 persons from LSB and the rest is from line ministries)
				52 persons: (12 persons from line MDGs and the rest is

	Socio-economic Database and publish it through LaoInfo offline and website	Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	metadata. This helped participants to know how to use the data for MDG and National Socio-economic Database by using LaoInfo.	from ministries) line
	Activity 1.5 TA support from CSF to develop DI monitoring tool and dashboard to 7th NSEDP and necessary trainings to the operation of Lao Info	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress (with DSG) <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ - UNDP has a regular follow-up with CSF _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Some initial work was done by DevInfo to process for preparing dashboard of the 7th NSEDP M&E Framework	Central and local government
Output 2: <u>Increased stakeholder awareness and participation, improved advocacy and dissemination to ensure the best use of official statistics.</u>	2.1. Increased government officials capacity on basic statistical knowledge are enhance through statistical training	Activity 2.1a Conduct TOT training for two weeks or Statistics Literacy among LMs Guide Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Through TOT training, participant was unites to the contents of statistical literacy guide for users, can be trainers on statistical literacy guide for users including methodology used.	18 participants from Lao Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Energy and Mine, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, National University of Lao, Bank of Lao PDR
		Activity 2.1b: Disseminate Notification Statistical Dissemination and Use of Official Statistics and Statistical Literacy Guide for leaders level of LMs in Vientiane Capital	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Increased understanding of government leader on the use of statistics for policy making process
		Activity 2.1c: Disseminate Notification	Training done on 24/06/2014 at Vientiane Capital with 37 participants. This helped to	Technical Staff of LMs in Vientiane Capital

		Statistical Dissemination and Use of Official Statistics and Statistical Literacy Guide for technical staff of LMs in Vientiane Capital.	Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	enhance government technical staff on the importance of using statistics
	Achieved	Activity 2.1d: Preparation of main statistics booklet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Complete a production of handy book on statistics which is easier to carry
	On Track	Activity 2.1e: Preparation and printing of statistics Literacy Guide for users booklet	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Study on literacy was completed and printing and designing is in progress

Component 3: Support to Strengthening the Round Table Process for Achievement of NSEDP/MDGs

Output1: Enriched greater substantive dialogues and closer partnership with Development Partners, and effective resource mobilization and management through the effective Round Table Process, including improving Sector Working Group mechanism for facilitating effective implementation of NSEDP and VDCAP towards achieving the MDGs in Lao PDR

Output 1.1: Effective meetings and consultations organised to increase common understanding on national development priorities and mobilize support to NSEDP	1.1.1. Theme, consultation topics and roadmap are prepared in a consultative manner at least by Q1 2014.	Activity 1.1.a Roadmap 1.1.1. including theme and roadmap are prepared in a consultative manner at least by Q1 2014.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Finalise the follow up matrix and recommendations of the 11 th HLRTIM 2013	RTIM Roadmap was prepared and finalized in consultation with and based on inputs from all development stakeholders especially chairs and co-chairs of SWGs, which inform greater involvement and mutual accountability of all development stakeholders for better results.
		Activity 1.1.b Conduct RTP retreat to discuss the roadmap for the 2014 RTIM	Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	The Government agencies in line ministries (LMs) and Development Partners (DPs), especially those who are chairs and co-chairs of Sector Working Groups (SWGs) including

<p>implementation, and increased practical focus and coherence of documentation for RTIMs/RTMs and pre-consultation meetings.</p>	<p>Activity 1.1.d Hold a meeting of the National RTP Steering Committee to endorse a roadmap and report on annual RTIM preparation</p>	<p>Activity 1.1.c Organise a provincial round table consultation meeting</p>	<p>The Provincial RT Consultation on 15-17 September 2014 in Saravane was carried out with successful results, reflecting in DPs' positive feedbacks in terms of both substantive and logistic arrangement.</p> <p>Importantly, both Government agencies in line ministries and local authorities concerned and DPs have common understanding on issues and challenges of the convergence FNS action plan implementation, as well as ways forward.</p> <p>Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____</p>
<p>1.1.2. Number of provincial development issues included in the pre-consultation topics for RTIM.</p>	<p>1.1.2. Provincial consultation effectively links the local level challenges in the 2014 Annual RTIM's agenda for discussions and follow up</p>	<p>Activity 1.1.e Organise an Annual RTIM 2014.</p> <p>Activity 1.1.g Prepare a draft 2014 RTIM Background Document based on inputs from SWGs, LMs and DPs focusing on annual implementation progress of NSEDP/MDGs</p>	<p>More inclusive from SWG especially in making clearer guidance for SWG input needed for substantive background document (BGD) which was shared with all stakeholders at the Annual 2014 RTIM which was successfully organised on 14 November</p> <p>Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____</p>
	<p>1.1.3. The RTIM and relevant consultations are organised in line with the meeting framework and agreed theme as well as focused topics/areas.</p>	<p>Activity 1.1.f Organise an Annual RTIM 2014.</p> <p>Activity 1.1.h Prepare a draft 2014 RTIM Background Document based on inputs from SWGs, LMs and DPs focusing on annual implementation progress of NSEDP/MDGs</p>	<p>Government agencies in line ministries and local authorities and development partners, including CSOs, INGOs and private sectors.</p> <p>The 2014 RTIM was preceded under the constructive and open manner which paves the</p>

	document for RTIM is available and delivered at least one month prior to the meeting.	support the discussion at the RTIM is produced and circulated in a timely manner.	preparation for the 8 th NSEDP. Activity 1.1.h Produce the report of 2014 RTIM and circulate to all stakeholders concerned as well as post an electronic file on the RTM website for further information and reference.	way for mutual understanding among all stakeholders.
			<p>On-Track</p> <p>Activity 1.1.i Strengthen the capacity of local authorities in areas of aid management (3 build directive, ODA decree, etc)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed <p>Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____</p>
			<p>On-Track</p> <p>Activity 1.1.j Prepare a Roadmap of the 12th High-Level Round Table Meeting 2015</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed <p>Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____</p>
Output 1.2: DIC	1.2.1. Number of SWG meetings involved	1.2.1. Number of SWGs' representative, as well as number of SWG activities	<p>1.2.1. Coordination, learned experience exchange among SWGs, as well as between SWGs and local level are strengthened.</p> <p>Activity 1.2.a Revise and upload SWGs' ToR and structure to the RTM website</p> <p>Activity 1.2.b</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed <p>Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____</p>

<p>Working Groups to better respond to the Government's needs in implementing the 7th NSED P and VDCAP towards achieving the MDGs</p>	<p>to expanded provincial/local authorities.</p> <p>1.2.2. Number of SWG meetings focus on their sectoral issues which contribute to NSED P annual formulation and implementation.</p>	<p>Activity 1.2.c Convene SWG secretariat meetings and trainings on the RTP management</p> <p>Activity 1.2.d Facilitate an exchange among SWGs in relation to activity expansion to provincial level and CSOs and private sector involvement</p> <p>Activity 1.2.e Guide SWGs in RTIM preparation and expansion of SWGs activities to local level</p> <p>Activity 1.2.f Update a SWG mailing list and event calendar for sharing SWG info and coordination</p> <p>Activity 1.2.g Hold a SWG Chairs and Co-Chairs Meeting</p> <p>Activity 1.2.h Develop Manual/ Generic guideline for RTP management</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____</p>	<p>Education and Agriculture and Rural Development SWGs, have formulated and been implementing the multisectoral (convergence) food and nutrition security actions plan for instance. However, this practice has not yet been systematic that urgently needs further improvement, particularly coordination and experience exchange</p>
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Output 1.3: Progressively measurable implementation of VDCAP, promoting and strengthening capacities of the Government to increase effective implementation of aid effectiveness agenda at national, regional and global levels	1.3.1. Availability of the final revised VDCAP which integrated new aid effectiveness commitments.	1.3.1. The VDCAP is finalized reflecting the new global monitoring framework on development effectiveness and other related emerging aid effectiveness agenda.	1.3.1. Achieved	Activity 1.3.a Finalize and request for the Government's endorsement of the final VDCAP Activity 1.3.b Develop a guideline to monitor the implementation progress of the VDCAP Activity 1.3.c Conduct a meeting to review the VDCAP implementation progress and challenges	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	All LMs concerned and DPs including CSOs and private sector
		1.3.2. Availability of a guideline to monitor the VDCAP implementation progress with proper reports.	1.3.2. VDCAP Guideline is prepared and circulated for effective implementation.	M&E 1.3.2. Achieved	Some development partners and government agencies submitted their progress report. Therefore, the report could not be finalized in 2014 and expects to be available during the first quarter of 2015.	DIC/MPI
		1.3.3. VDCAP implementation progress is updated quarterly through SWG Chairs and Co-Chairs Meeting.	1.3.3. Off track			The Government was able to convene the 3 rd Global Accountability Survey which was carried out by UNDCF in January, which provided baseline on country mutual accountability level
		1.3.3. Reports from the Government attended the workshop and meetings.	1.3.4. The Government actively engaged in the regional and global aid effectiveness forums.	Activity 1.3.d Complete the 3 rd Global Accountability Survey in preparation for the 2014 Development Cooperation Forums	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	

		On Track	Activity 1.3.e Conduct Development Finance and Aid Assessment (DFAA) Study	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Completed the fact finding and data collection step, expect the study to inform Lao PDR on changing financing landscape and recommendation so to prepare for LDC graduation especially in area of ODA management	DIC/MPI, Line ministries and DPs
		On Track	Activity 1.3.f Effective participation of the global and regional development and aid effectiveness forums.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Effectively provided inputs and taken knowledge from various meetings for getting information to help implementation of development cooperation agenda at national level more effectively and efficiently reflecting the global and regional development aspects	MPI and MOFA
Output2: Enhanced reliability, accessibility and transparency of ODA related data, information and results through the established ODA Database Management System, and related quality						
ODA analytical reports/documents			Activity 2.1.a Check and ensure regular updates into the AMP system made by DPs/DFA including training	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	The AMP system was regularly updated and able to gather DPs' data and prepare the annual ODA report for the Lao Fiscal Year 2013-14.	LMs and DPs
Output 2.1: The Aid Management Platform (ODA Database) is in place and fully operational as a tool to effectively analyse and plan ODA requirements			Activity 2.1.b Conduct a training on AMP for line ministries and selected provinces Activity 2.1.c Conduct AMP		In terms of management, DIC/MPI encounters technical problems in managing and producing ODA related reports using data and information from the system due to some system limitation. Therefore, there is a need to further	
2.1.1. Number/ percentage of ODA related programmes/projects data and information are included in the AMP system.	2.1.1. On track	2.1.1. All ODA related programmes/projects data and information are included in the AMP system.				
2.1.2. Number of foreign aid reports produced.	2.1.2. Off track	2.1.2. DIC is able to effectively use AMP for ODA Data Collection, Storage and Analysis to support reporting, e.g FAIR Quarterly and				

	Semi-Annual Reports, and ODA Donor Profile Report.	2.1.3. On track	training for DPs/DFAs Activity 2.1.e Regular follow-up on general progress of AMP implementation through weekly, monthly and quarterly meetings and reports	Expanding the use of AMP in central and local authorities through providing training for 1- Sayabouly, Luangnamtha and Attapeu provinces 2- Ministry of Health 3- Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry 4- Office of the Vientiane Prefecture	develop an integrated system for development project management.
2.1.3. Number of training and workshops on AMP conducted	2.1.3. AMP users including DIC admins, LMs and DPs/DFAs understood and are able to use AMP system.	Activity 2.1.c Discuss the AMP sustainability including the potential collaboration with DECIDE Info.	Activity 2.1.d Produce quarterly, semi-annual and annual ODA reports (FAIR) 2013-2014 using the AMP	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	A semi-annual foreign aid report (FAIR) 2013-2014 was produced using the sixth month data entered to the AMP system by DFAs, while only a draft version of annual FAIR 2013-2014 was prepared and shared at the RTIM 2014 for information.
		On Track	Activity 2.2.a Maintenance and update of RTM Website	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: No specific team to manage and regularly update the website New Schedule: Q1 2015 Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	The website was revamped but updating process needs improvement
Output 2.2: Regular communication and publication of quality related ODA analytical reports/documents	2.2.1. RTM Website is updated at least every two weeks 2.2.2. Availability of RTP related publications and materials	2.2.1. Information on ODA is easily and publicly accessible			LMS and Public and DPs,

	Off Track	Activity 2.2.b. Update and publish Donor Profile on the RTM Website	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: <i>_Information from DPs was not complete and not all submitted_</i> New Schedule: <u>Q1 2015</u> Response Strategy: — <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Draft profile was prepared and sent to DPs for updating but responsive rate was low	LMs and DPs
	Off Track	Activity 2.1.c Produce regular articles of RTP's key achievements and highlighted activities for advocacy materials through radio, TV, newspapers and etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: <i>_The delay in implementing this activity was due to the fact that the project has no qualified communication specialist who can professionally produce such regular articles and advocacy materials related to RTP achievements. Therefore, it would be very useful if the project could have someone to help fulfill this important task for its 2015 RTM which will be a high level forum._</i> New Schedule: <u>2015</u> Response Strategy: — <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	Communication activities were limited due to lack of focal point and resources. More effort and plan needed to improve communication of the RTP work	LMs and DPs

Output 3.1: DIC has increased capacity and resources to identify key capacity gaps and address them through establishing a capacity development facility	3.1.1. Availability of NIM SOP both Lao and English. 3.1.2. Availability of a list of trainers/resource persons; 3.1.3. Availability of training schedule and curriculums; 3.1.4. A number of training/workshops are organised.	3.1.1. NIM SOP (Lao version) is finalized and shared with IPs.	Achieved	Activity 3.1.a Finalise Lao version of NIM Guideline (SOP) and printing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed	A Lao version of NIM (SOP) Manual was finalized and circulated to all implementing partners for implementation in June 2014.	DIC/MPI, UNDP, all Implementing Partners (IPs)
		3.1.2. List of trainers/resource persons created.	3.1.2. On track	Activity 3.1.b Develop training schedule as well as training curriculum	Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____		
		3.1.3. Trainings schedule and related materials are prepared.	3.1.3. Achieved	Activity 3.1.c Create a list of trainers/resource persons			
		3.1.4. Government officials and NIM project personnel capacity is enhanced through trainings.	3.1.4. On track	Activity 3.1.d Conduct an Audit Kick-off meeting and training on procurement procedure for UNDP supported programme/projects management teams and support staff at Don Chan Palace Hotel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed		DIC/MPI, IPs, UNDP

	Achieved	Activity 3.1.e Conduct Training courses based on the needs from IPs	NIM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed	The training was done with successful results. All participants were very active in providing useful and constructive comments and suggestions on various policies and relevant issues for further improvements.	UNDP supported project management teams and their implementing partners
	Achieved	Activity 3.2.a Conduct a Joint Annual Review Meeting of the MPI programme Implementation, and followed by Programme Board Meeting		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed	Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	MPI relevant departments and DPs concerned
	Off Track	Activity 3.2.b Conduct a Retreat for the MPI Programme to evaluate the past performance and lessons learnt and formulate the Workplan 2015		<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed	Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	MPI relevant departments and DPs concerned
	Off Track	Activity 3.2.c Organisation of regular quarterly		<input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delayed	Help to strengthen greater coordination among all MPI components as well as to	MPI relevant departments and DPs concerned

		meetings of MPI programme components including their IPs to exchange lessons learnt and identify needs	Reason: The delay was due to the time constraint and unavailability of senior component management teams. New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	ensure results, a quarterly meeting of MPI programme components was held on 8 th of January and on 5 th of June 2014. But, this should be organized more regularly.	effective delivery
		On Track	Activity 3.2.d Project implementation management and operational supports	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	DIC/MPI
Output4: Provided quality assurance and support to national implementation management through audit and spot checks					
4.1. Availability of annual audit reports.	4.1. Annual 2013 audit conducted and report prepared.	4.1. Achieved	Activity 4.1 Facilitate UNDP and Auditor on the preparation for the Audit Exercise	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	15 Implementing Partners
			Activity 4.1. Liaise with UNDP to conduct regular monitoring and audit follow-up field visit to all projects	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other changes _____	22 audited projects

Component 4: Support to Advancing Human Development through Policy-Informing Research on Human Development Issues especially relevant for achieving the NSEDP/MDGs				
Output 1: Further enhanced awareness of the concept of human development (HD), and capacity for MDG and human development reporting at national and sub-national levels				
<p>Output 1.1:</p> <p>National Awareness and Capacity Building for Human Development Reporting and MDGs Among Line Ministry Staff and Educational Institutions.</p>		<p>1.1.1. Availability of TOT of Human Development Module</p> <p>1.1.2. Conducted HD Module</p> <p>1.1.2. Human Development Module Taught at University of Laos and Training center of MPI</p> <p>1.1.3. Availability of the 5th NHDR Advocacy Materials and Dissemination</p> <p>1.1.1. TOT of Human Development conducted</p> <p>1.1.2. Conducted HD Module Taught at University of Laos and Training center of MPI</p> <p>1.1.3. Advocacy Materials for the 5th NHDR produced and the 5th NHDR is disseminated</p>	<p>Activity 1.1.1 Testing and preparing of TOT of Human Development Module</p> <p>Activity 1.1.2 Organizing HD concept workshop at Savannakhet and Champasack universities</p>	
<p>Output 1.2:</p> <p>Research Support for established NHDR and the 5th NHDR Produced</p>		<p>2.1.1 Availability of the final concept note that was agreed by both NERI and UNDP; and can be used for resource mobilization</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> In progress</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Delayed</p> <p>Reason: _____ New Schedule: _____ Response Strategy: _____ Other changes _____</p>	
			<p>Final draft of HD textbook is completed, enabling the concept of HD to be taught at Faculty of Economic and Business Management, NUOL. HD textbook is used among lecturers and students</p> <p>University lecturers and students are able to understand the concept of HD</p>	
Output 2: One High-Quality National Human Development Report, or/and Provincial Human Development Reports Produced		<p>Activity 2.1.1 - Drafting concept note of 5th HD report</p> <p>- 2 Consultation workshops to update NHDR Concept Note</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> In progress</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delayed</p> <p>Reason: it took longer time to get agreement of the topic/concept note for the 5th NHDR, as well as limited financial resources for producing the 5th NHDR</p> <p>New Schedule: 2015 Response Strategy: further consultations with UNDP for further plan of resource mobilization and concept for the 5th NHDR</p>	
		<p>There was a plan to rework on the concept note, and meanwhile the research concept note related to the LDC Graduation to feed into the next NHDR was identified and developed.</p>	<p>MPI and policy makers UNDP</p>	

2. Financial Management

Financial Information Summary

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Reporting Period: January to December 2014

Outputs	Activities	Source of Funding	Budget for 2014	Activity Budget (USD)	Expenditure of the current reporting period (USD)	Accumulated Expenditure by the current reporting period (USD)	Delivery Rate of the current reporting period (%)	Accumulated Delivery Rate by the current reporting period (%)
				(Q4)	(Q4)	(Q1+Q2+Q3+Q4)	(Q1-Q4)	(Q1-Q4)
Component 1: Support to consultative planning, implementation, monitoring, assessing and reporting on the NSEDP/MDGs								
Output 1.1: The 7th NSEDP is converted into annual plans and PIPs through a consultative manner that emphasizes poverty reduction/MDGs	1.1.1 Mainstream PE and MDG issues into annual planning guideline(s) 2014/2015.	TRAC Non TRAC SDC	190,400 - 15,150	75,500 - 1,000	74,184 - 93	202,815 3,731 6,326	98% - 9.3%	107% - 42%
	1.1.2 Assist Department of Planning to conduct two dissemination and training workshops on the annual development plan guideline and participatory planning guideline							

1.1.3-a	Assist DoP to mainstream PE and Green Growth Economy concepts into the 8th NSEDP Formulation Guideline	
1.1.3-b	Assist DoP to formulate 8th NSEDP by providing critical technical assistance and ensuring PEI and green growth economy concept are mainstreamed into the plan	
Activity 1.1.3-c	Mainstream PEI and green growth economy concept into the 8 th plan	
Activity 1.1.3-d	Conduct a seminar to disseminate the draft 8th NSEDP that incorporates PE and green growth concepts	
Activity 1.1.3-e	Seminars with line sectors individually on 8th NSEDP formulation for collecting inputs	

Activity 1.1.3-f Conduct seminar to share lessons learned from UK study visit to support the 8th NSEDP formulation and to present revised draft of 8th plan with incorporation of DP comments	Activity 1.1.3-g Training DOP staffs on new approach (outcome based) of NSEDP and PIP formulation	Activity 1.1.4 Finalize National Manual on Formulation of the National Socio-Economic Development Plan of Lao PDR (Aiming at further improving Lao version and translate into English)	Activity 1.1.5 Prepare monthly, quarterly, and annual reports on 2013-14 NSEDP and PIP implementation

	Activity 1.1.6 Disseminate widely Annual NSEDP and PIP 2014-15				
Output 1.2:	Targeted actions to address off-track MDGs and key environment issues incorporated in annual plans	1.2.1 Support monitoring, analysis and developing of recommendations on off-track MDG and PE linkages	Activity 1.2.2 Follow up MTR recommendations	Activity 2.1.1 Continue supporting monthly consultation meetings with key sectors (BoL, MoF) in charge of macroeconomic management	Activity 2.1.2 Facilitate commission of at least five studies under MTR priorities areas by concerned sectors to support the formulation of the 8th NSEDP.
				TRAC 57,900 - -	47% 13% 27,470 362 (1,805) - - 1,433 - - 1,846
		Output 2.1: The result from the analysis and reports are incorporated into annual plans through a consultative manner which emphasizes on macro management to achieve NSEDP and MDGs		Non TRAC SDC - - -	

	Activity 2.1.3 Continue supporting on providing substantive inputs to macroeconomic analysis			
	Activity 2.1.4 Annual meeting on Macroeconomic Management			
Output 3.1: Increased understanding on kumban planning experiences on the ground to further improve the process	Activity 3.1.1 Launch Participatory Planning Manual	TRAC 54,200 - (31)	Non TRAC - -	46% - 0%
	Activity 3.1.2 Conduct dissemination (linking with 1.1.2) and training workshops for planning facilitators at central and provincial levels using the Participatory Planning Manual	SDC 9,802 4,452 -	SDC 3,342 0%	34% - 0%
	Activity 3.1.3 Monitor Implementation on Participatory Planning Manual			
	Activity 3.1.4 Conduct assessment on implementation of participatory planning Manual			

Activity 3.1.5 Strengthen local capacity on project prioritization and management in target districts with mindful of poverty-environment concerns and off-track MDGs (linking with 3-build activities)	3.2.1-a Strengthen capacity of government officials on sustainable/green growth economy concepts at central level	3.2.1-b Strengthen capacity for government officials on sustainable/green growth economy at provincial level	3.2.2 Assess priority PIP and one district one product plan for Oudomxay
Output 3.2: Capacity building for local level planners enhanced to promote the use of participatory approaches, incorporate poverty-environment issues and off-track MDGs			

Activity 3.2.3 Consultation workshop with development partners on green growth proposals for three pilot provinces	Activity 3.2.4 Follow up 'workshop and present the findings of accessed priority PIP and one district one product plan for Oudomxay, Saravane and Huaphanh	Activity 3.2.5 Investment profile for development potential projects on green growth	Activity 4.1.1 Continue supporting activities/processes leading to the finalization of the NSEDP M&E framework with inclusion of PE indicators	Activity 4.1.2 Conduct consultation workshop to finalize 7th NSEDP M&E Framework with stakeholders
			Output 4.1: Strengthen monitoring and reporting capacity of MPI and planners with the use of improved and updated data from LaoInfo	TRAC 105,500 - 55,048 Non TRAC - 9,069 SDC 16,657 - 1,864 70,414 (12,366) 1,864 137,997 (8,783) 31,910 423% - 21% 131% - 58%

Activity 4.1.3	Testing outcome based reporting for the implementation of the 7th NSEDP 2013/2014 against 7th NSEDP M&E framework that includes PE indicators and pilot outcome based reporting in Vientiane province.		
Activity 4.1.4	Two training workshops on the application of the 7th NSEDP M&E framework including the utilization of the DI monitoring tool at central and provincial levels		
Activity 4.1.5	Assist DoP to adapt 7th NSEDP M&E Framework to support 8th NSEDP (M&E Framework)		
Activity 4.1.6	Programme support and operation		
Output 5.1	MDG and awareness of the LDC	TRAC Provide administrative and logistic support to the MDG Secretariat	2,830 (25,842) 8,332 70
Non TRAC		50,000	-
SDC		-	-

Plan of Action at provincial levels	5.1.2 Workshops on the Findings of the Third MDGs Report for University students		
	5.1.3 Internal Preparatory Meeting for the Global Ten-Year Review Conference on the implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action on LDCs to be held in 2014		
	5.1.4 Attend MDG Regional Meeting and 70th Annual Session of UNESCAP		
	5.1.5 Workshops on the Finding of the Third MDGs Report for University Students		
	Activity 5.1.6-a Organize a workshop on introduction to Post MDG discussions with emphasis on MDG 9		

Activity 5.1.6-b Attend 69 th Session of UN General Assembly meeting under the leadership of the Prime Minister.	Sub-Total for Comp 1	538,000	117,678	114,347	439,708	97%	82%
Component 2: Support to effective monitoring and evaluation of progress towards goals of NSEDP/MDGs via LaolInfo							
Output 1: An effective Common data base established to support evidence-based reporting, planning and decision making at the national and sub national to help guide implementation of NSEDP/MDGs.	1.1 Produce report to present the status of national socio-economic development of the country using LaolInfo database system and publish it to support effective implementation of NSEDP/MDG	TRAC 10,000	Non TRAC 83,000	11,100	11,000	15, 304	99%
	1.2 Printing and translation of a report on socio-economic trend of Laos, the data of the report will be taken from LaolInfo database						
	1.3 Organizing training workshop on LaolInfo application for high level government official staffs						

1.4	Updating the MDG and National Socio-economic Database and publish it through Laolinfo offline and website	1.5 TA support from DSA to develop DI monitoring tool and dashboard to 7th NSEDP and necessary trainings to the operation of Laolinfo	2.1 Preparation and TRAC Printing of Main Statistics Booklet	10,000	3,100	3,000
Output 2: Increased stakeholder awareness and participation, improved advocacy and dissemination to ensure the best use of official statistics.					13,119	97%
Output 3: Improved domestic, regional and international statistical cooperation		TRAC	18,000	800	850	9,571
						106%
						53%
		Sub-Total for Comp 2	47,000	15,000	14,850	37,994
						99%
						81%
Component 3: Support to strengthening the round table process for achievement of NSEDP/MDGs						
Output 1	1.1.1. Conduct an RTP	TRAC	165,650	3,500	37,989	153,061
						1,085%
						92%

Enriched substantive dialogues and closer partnership with Development Partners, and effective resource mobilization and management through the effective Round Table Process, including improving Sector Working Group mechanism for facilitating effective implementation of NSEDП and VDCAP towards achieving the MDGs in Lao PDR	retreat to discuss the roadmap of 2014 RTIM. 1.1.2. Organise Round Table Provincial Consultation Meeting in Saravane province. 1.1.3. Hold the RTP NSC Meeting to endorse the roadmap. 1.1.4. Prepare the 2014 RTIM BGD.	LUX 126,974	96,600	65,154	89,218	67% 70%
	1.1.5. Organise the RTIM 2014. 1.1.6. Consultation fees for National Consultant. 1.1.7. Capacity building for local authorities in area of ODA implementation and management. 1.2.1. Hold a SWG secretariat Meeting to prepare for the RTIM. 1.3.1. Hold a meeting of VDCAP secretariat to go through the monitoring framework. 1.3.2. Conduct DFAA study. 1.3.3. Participate in the development and aid effectiveness forums in Korea, Germany, Mexico and New York.					

Output 2	Enhanced reliability, accessibility and transparency of ODA related data, information and results through the established ODA Management System, and related quality ODA analytical reports/documents	2.1.	Conduct AMP trainings/meetings for LMs and DFAs.	TRAC	8,000	-	41,387	-
	2.2.	Printing -	LUX	25,900	23,900	29,416	34,852	123% 517%
	Semi-Annual FAIR 2013-2014, Annual FAIR 2013-2014, and Donor Profile Database							135%
Output 3	Strengthened capacities of DIC and its IPs in effectively managing ODA related programmes and projects	3.1.	Translating NIM SOP into Lao language, and printing.	TRAC	156,350	14,700	13,379	134,294 91% 86%
	3.2.	Conduct an audit kick-off meeting and training on project management for UNDP supported personnel.	LUX	9,500	42,550	33,908	29,544	80% 304%
	3.3.	Organise a Joint Annual Review Meeting of MPI Programme and followed by a programme board meeting.						
Output 4	Provided quality assurance and support to implementation management through audit and spot checks	4.1.	Spot check field visit to UNDP supported projects in VTE and province and miscellaneous.	TRAC	0	500	394	958 79% %
			LUX	0	0	0	0	0 0

Component 4: Support to advancing human development through policy informing research on human development issues especially relevant for achieving NSEDP/MDGs		Sub-Total for Comp 3:	492,374	181,775	180,241	483,315	99%	98%
Output 1: Further Enhanced Awareness of the Concept of Human Development (HD), and Capacity for MDG and Human Development Reporting at National and Sub-National levels	1.1.1: TOT of Human Development Module (Launch of HD Text book at NOU/L) 1.1.2: Pilot HD Module Taught at University of Laos and Training Center of Ministry of Planning and Investment (Advocacy of HD Text book and Global HDR 2014 concept note at Savannakhet and Champasak University)	TRAC	4,000	4,000	4,039	5,835	101%	146%
Output 2: One High-Quality National Human Development Report, or/and Provincial Human Development Reports Produced	2.1.1: Finalizing the 5 th NHDR Concept Note 2.1.2: Resource Mobilization Support to the 5 th NHDR Production (Launch of Global HD report 2014) 2.1.3: Conducting at least 3 research papers that support to the production of the 5 th NHDR 2.1.4: Stakeholders Meetings Supported to	TRAC	89,000	69,400	60,186	79,185	87%	89%

		the 5th Production	NHDR				
Output	3: Evidence-Based Research and Analysis to Support the Implementation of the NSEDP/MDGs	3.1.1: Produce High Quality Macroeconomic Quality Reports with Practical Results-Oriented Focus on Achieving NSEDP/MDGs	TRAC	54,000	20,960	22,169	54,852
		3.1.2: Website Maintenance Training Course and Printing calendar 2015					
		3.1.3: Study Missions for Quarterly international economic report, NERI					
		3.1.4: Organize monthly research dissemination meeting at MPI Regularly					
		3.1.5: Operation and Management					
		Sub-Total for Comp 4	147,000	94,360	86,394	139,871	92%
		Grand total for the programme	1,224,374	408,813	395,832	1,100,888	97%
							95%
							90%

3. Programme Management and Oversight

(This section should be completed by programme in coordination with UNDP)

• Monitoring and Evaluation

(Indicate how progress monitoring and acquisition of data from project interventions are being captured and utilized.)

During the year 2014, the implementation of programme activities has been monitored through the following activities:

- At the programme level, a Joint Annual Programme Review Meeting together with Programme Board Meeting was held to review the programme implementation progress/achievements made, challenges encountered and lessons learnt in 2013; and identify 2014 key priorities to be undertaken by the programme, as well as its financial requirements. In addition, the Quarterly Programme Component Meeting was organised twice in January and June of 2014 to: (1) discuss and prepare for the programme annual review meeting (ARM) including programme board meeting, as well as review progress and challenges of the 2013 programme implementation, and discuss key 2014 priorities including budget requirements for successful implementation of project activities; and (2) follow-up component's progress against key annual priorities and deliverables of the 2014 AWP and discusses key issues/challenges of the programme implementation and management, as well as to strengthen coordination and reporting mechanisms among the programme components.
- At the project/component level, the project weekly technical meetings between DIC relevant divisions and UNDP PO/PA were conducted to follow-up and discuss in details the progress and challenges of the project implementation before reporting to the project manager and Assistant Resident Representative for consideration and guidance. In addition, the project monthly meetings between UNDP DRR/ARR/POs/PAs and each project management team were regularly organized to also follow-up, review the implementation progress and agree on actions to be undertaken in order to address issues encountering the project. Moreover, a day-to-day communication and coordination between DIC and UNDP via both email and telephone, as well as some adhoc meetings between the DIC and UNDP held to discuss and address some issues have also been in place.
- Apart from this, in order to ensure effective and efficient implementation of programme component activities, an annual NIM audit was performed by the independent auditors, and in this regard an audit follow-up actions plan was also created by each project to follow-up progress of audit recommendations implementation. Also, NIM Spot Check Exercise has been in place to ensure all audit recommendations have been effectively implemented with proper supporting documents, and not repeated again.

• Risk management

(Actual/ anticipated operational, political and environmental risks)

In 2014, the programme had faced a number of the programme and operations related risks as follows:

- The budget constraint globally and domestically leads to a significant reduction of annual budget for the programme, especially that of the RTP component. This directly affected the planning and implementation of programme priorities/activities. Therefore, this requires further resource mobilisation and greater prioritisation of each component's activities to be implemented at different stages to ensure achieving the programme objectives.
- The Government staff turnover at both the programme and component levels had also been an issue, causing the delay in implementing some of the 2014 programme activities that could resulted in a low programme delivery rate. This was due to the fact that there is a need of sufficient time for new assigned staff to realize the nature of programme activities and their effective implementation.

- **Communication and advocacy**

Apart from a day-to-day communication, weekly and monthly meetings between the programme components and UNDP relevant programme officers, and between the programme components and their development stakeholders that have been in place as mentioned in the first bullet point above, in line with the programme document and 2014 work plan, the programme components have developed and used a number of communication and publication materials to communicate with all programme/project stakeholders including both government agencies in line ministries and provincial authorities and development partners. For instance, annual NSEDP developed and disseminated, 3rd MDGs progress report produced and disseminated, the NSEDP M&E Framework developed, the 8th plan drafted, statistical report produced using Laolinfo database system and published to support effective implementation of NSEDP/MDGs, DI monitoring tool and dashboard to 7th NSEDP/MDG/HD monitoring framework developed, Human Development Textbook completed and launched, RTM website revised, a Guidance Note for the 2014 RTIM preparation prepared and circulated, a VDCAP Monitoring Framework developed and distributed to all development stakeholders for taking part of its implementation, a short RTP Video Documentary discussed and started preparation, AMP system integration to the Government system discussed, and a Semi-Annual and Draft Annual Foreign Aid Report (2013-2014) produced, and NIM (SOP) Manual both in Lao and English finalized and shared with all Implementing Partners for further reference and implementation.

On advocacy activities, during the reporting period, the programme components have supported the dissemination workshop of the 7th NSEDP M&E framework to line ministries, introductory workshop on outcome based planning adoption into the 8th NSEDP preparation with line ministries and support MDG secretariat on organizing of the Workshop with line ministries on Off-track MDGs with emphasis on the MDG9. In addition, support extended to an organization of TOT training on statistical literacy guide for LMs, dissemination of Notification on statistical dissemination, use of official statistics and statistical literacy guide, and also publishing, disseminating and news on the project-related workshops, launching and other activities of the HD Textbook, researches' findings and so on.

In terms of reporting and analysis, annual and quarterly programme/project work plans, progress reports, financial reports (project monthly expenditure report, FACE form, CDRs) and RBM logs (issues, risk, lesson learned, and communication and monitoring plan) were prepared and shared with all project stakeholders and UNDP for information and follow-up.

4. Management Responses and Recommendations

(To be completed by project in coordination with UNDP)

In 2014, the programme components were audited during February and March and received 2013 NIM Audit Reports from auditors in May 2014. In terms of audit recommendation implementation, an Audit Action Plan was developed by each component for an easy follow-up and implementation.

The 2013 audit recommendations were mainly related to the human resources, finance and procurement. All of these recommendations have already been implemented with proper supporting documents. In this connection, the project management teams in collaboration with UNDP relevant POs/PAs will ensure that these issues will not be repeated again for the next audit.

In addition to an annual audit exercise, the 2014 Spot check to all programme components was performed by a Joint DIC-UNDP Spot Check team in September with some minor recommendations and suggestions related to the programme, personnel, procurement, asset management, and finance. The 2014 spot check report was prepared by the spot check team and shared with the project for further review in December 2014. In this connection, the project will ascertain that all recommendations have been regularly followed and implemented in a timely manner before the next NIM audit.

5. Annex/s

(Example of annexes attached to the report are at a minimum as the following, more annexes can be added as appropriate)

- ❖ Combined Delivery Report (provided by UNDP & validated by UNDP & IP)
- ❖ Budget Analytical Review of the quarter (optional)
- ❖ Quarterly Work Plan for the following quarter
- ❖ Project Monitoring and Communication Plan (if there is any revision to the annual plan)
- ❖ Project Risk Log for the following quarter (as per Annex 15 - Project Risk Log of the NIM-SOPs)
- ❖ Project Issue Log for the following quarter (as per Annex 16 - Project Issue Log of the NIM-SOPs)
- ❖ Project Lesson Learned Log for the following quarter (as per Annex 17 - Project Lesson Learned Log of the NIM-SOPs)
- ❖ List if there is any detailed project information (financial details, activity report, maps, brochures, M&E report, field visit reports, etc).

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