

Annual Project Progress Report

Project title: Partnering for SDG acceleration, phase II

Award ID: 00128186

Project ID: 00138001

Implementing partner: Ministry of Finance and Economy of Turkmenistan

Period covered in this report: September - December 2021

Date of last Annual Report: December 2021

Date of the last Project Board meeting: 27.08.2021

1. Project Performance

Please state the expected Output of the Project, set indicators and corresponding CP Outcome (as per project document/AWP):

Project Result 1: Assistance on financing for development in the context of SDG implementation provided.

Output indicators: 1.1 National report prepared

Output targets: yes

b) Were the indicators and output achieved? Yes x No Partially

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

Output indicators: 1.1 Series of meetings of thematic expert groups according to the priority areas of the SDGs were held

Output targets: yes

b) Were the indicators and output achieved? Yes x No Partially

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

2. Progress Reporting

Please summarize the main achievements during the project cycle:

Project Result 1: A national report on the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals was prepared.

The project assisted in the preparation of the annual national report on the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals and the progress of the country's achievements in socio-economic development. Report presents an analysis of targets, indicators for 17 Sustainable Development Goals and the process of nationalization of the SDGs, based on information provided by the Ministry of Finance and Economy of Turkmenistan, the State Committee of Turkmenistan on Statistics, line ministries and departments responsible for collecting information. An assessment of progress on the implementation of the SDGs in Turkmenistan was carried out, which includes an analysis of the current state and progress in achieving the SDGs in Turkmenistan for each goal. Key successes and challenges in achieving the SDGs in the country were identified, graphs, tables, images were prepared. A review was conducted on financing and the creation of sustainable financing mechanisms for the SDGs. The influence of the global pandemic COVID-19 on the implementation of the course of sustainable development and a set of measures to mitigate its socio-economic impact on the country's economy are outlined.

The project assisted in the preparation of the terms of reference for the recruitment of national consultants and an international consultant for the preparation of the mid-term review of the SDGs. The project took part in a series of meetings on updating the Sustainable Development Goals matrix, reporting, clarifying the responsible ministries and departments for each indicator for analysis and reporting.

3. Project Risks and Issues

The project Risk Log is maintained throughout the project implementation to capture potential risks to the project and associated measures to mitigate risk. The Project Manager shall maintain and update the Risk Log and ensure that risks are identified, communicated and managed effectively.

A number of potential risks are listed below.

Description of risk	Type and category	Risk management actions	Current situation
Delay in transfer of sufficient Government cost sharing funding	Organizational	Commitment from the national partner to ensure the timely availability of resources for project implementation	Completed

4. Lessons learned and follow-up steps (if applicable)

a) Please provide the lessons learned and further steps after the project's closure.

Due to the limitations of physical interaction associated with the online mode of operation, the possibility of virtual interaction with a wider audience in Turkmenistan and the provision of services by international consultants / companies from their location was used. This practice has proven to be effective in terms of time and cost savings and can be continued later. This also allowed the implementation of a number of areas of the project before the end of the project.

5. Transfer of Assets or other related matter

a) Please state on any past or future transfer of assets made within the project cycle (Attach list of equipment, cooperation frameworks with beneficiaries, etc.)

N/A

6.Financial management

Budget item	Total approved in 2021 (in USD)	Expenses + commitments	Budget utilization in % to planned
Component 1	7,052.0	0	0%
Component 2	0	0	0%
Component 3 - Project Management	5,623.0	7,494.0	133,3%
Total delivery in 2021	12,675.0	7,494.0	59,1%
In % to total project budget	192,541.0		3,9%

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