

## Annual Project Progress Report

**Project title:** Partnering for SDG acceleration

**Award ID:** 00102374

**Project ID:** 00104471

**Implementing partner:** Ministry of Finance and Economy of Turkmenistan

**Period covered in this report:** January-September 2021

**Date of last Annual Report:** December 2020

**Date of the last Project Board meeting:** 27.08.2021

**Date of last Quality Assurance and rating:** 03.09.2021 Highly Satisfactory

### 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: *The National Coordination System has been improved and the national review on the implementation of the SDGs has been prepared.***

Completed in 2019-2020.

**Output indicators:** 1.1 Draft 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:** 1.2 Thematic national report prepared and presented at the Global Policy Forum

**Output targets:** yes

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

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

**Output indicators:** 1.3 The percentage of decisions taken on the issues discussed in the agenda of the Working Group meetings

**Output targets:** 80%

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

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

**Project Result 2: National capacity to implement SDGs in the process of working out national development programmes and financial plans has been increased**

**Output indicators:** 2.1 Number of professionals with knowledge of international commitments in the area of financing of the global Agenda 2030

**Output targets:** 80%

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

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

**Output indicators:** 2.2 Number of specialists trained in innovative methods of planning and financing SDGs

**Output targets:** 10

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

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

**Output indicators:** 2.3 Number of professionals with knowledge of international commitments in the area of financing of the global Agenda 2030

**Output targets:** 50

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

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

**Project Result 3: National statistical capacity increased Output indicators**

**Output indicators:** 3.1 Number of indicators with baseline data and methodologies

**Output targets:** 90%

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

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

Completed in 2020

**Output indicators:** 3.2 Availability of a functional database of SDGs indicators

**Output targets:** yes

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

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

**Output indicators:** 3.3 Number of specialists in sectoral ministries and authorities that own statistical tools for data processing and analysis

**Output targets:** 80

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

c) If no or partially, please explain why?

## 2. Progress Reporting

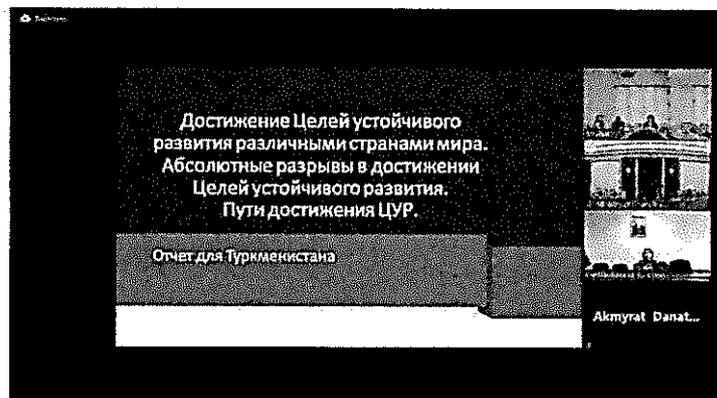
Please summarize the main achievements during the project cycle:

**Project Result 2: National capacity to implement SDGs in the process of working out national development programmes and financial plans has been increased.**

In order to increase national capacity on financing the SDGs, an international webinar was held on the application of public-private partnership mechanisms to finance the SDGs for employees of the financial-banking system.



To improve national financing capacity conducted a webinar for representatives of the Ministry of Finance and Economy of Turkmenistan and ministries and departments responsible for the implementation of the SDGs "Financing the SDGs: services and financing instruments of the United Nations Development Program".

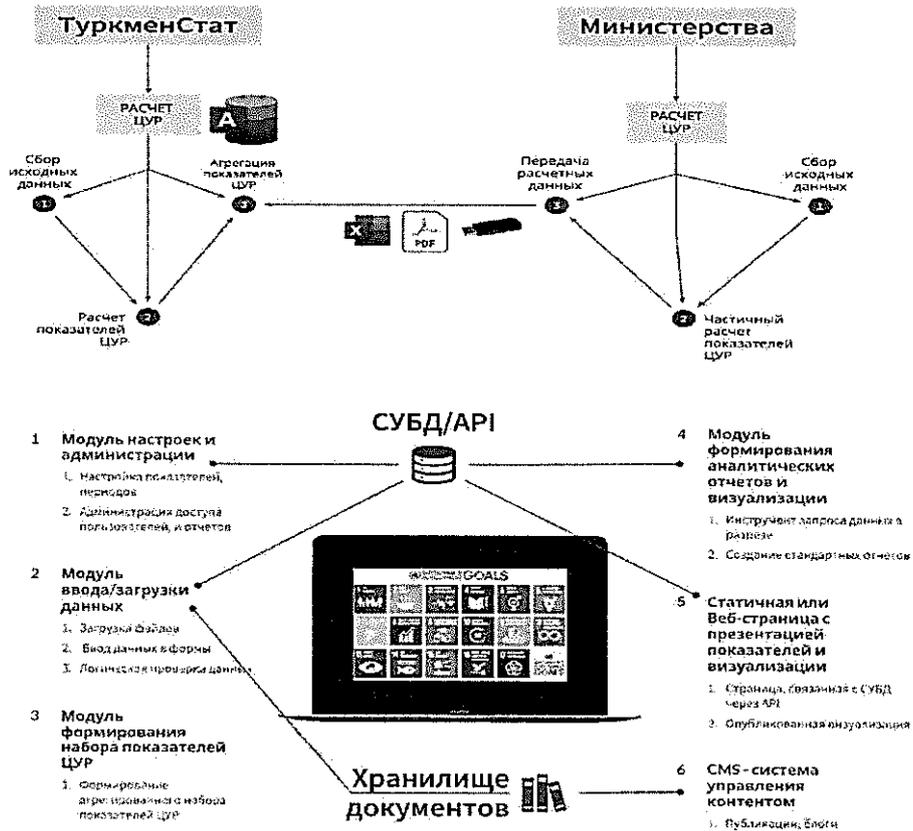


An overview of the international experience of financing for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, enshrined in the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, and the mechanisms and approaches proposed by UNDP for the implementation of financing is presented.

In order to facilitate reporting on SDGs on target 16.4 and indicator 16.4.1, the project assisted the Ministry of Finance and Economy of Turkmenistan in improving / updating regulatory legal acts in accordance with the requirements of the Law of Turkmenistan "On combating legalization of proceeds from crime, financing of terrorism and financing the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction (new edition)" and drafts of by-laws to the this Law were prepared

**Project Result 3: National statistical capacity increased Output indicators.**

A national platform for the SDG database has been created at the State Statistics Committee. In order to coordinate the collection of administrative data and departmental statistics, as well as create a regulatory framework and maintain reporting on the SDGs, the project assisted in the preparation of instructions for the exchange of data between ministries and departments in the national and global SDG databases, such as: the official website of Turkmenistan and the websites of other ministries and departments responsible for the SDGs.



These are the following project documents: Guidelines for the management and coordination of information flows between the State Committee of Turkmenistan on Statistics and suppliers of initial data in the field of creating a database on SDGs taking into account international standards, Procedure for providing information on SDG indicators to global SDG databases, Agreement on information interaction and interdepartmental data exchange between Goskomstat and the Data Provider. The documents were sent by note to the State Statistics Committee of Turkmenistan. The SDG metadata were translated into Turkmen and sent by note to the State Statistics Committee.

**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
Limitations related to the COVID-19 pandemic	Organizational	The seminars were held online	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	0,00	9,847.00	0,00
Component 2	26,604.90	5,331.00	20,04
Component 3	68,395.50	70,034.00	102,40
Component 4 - Project Management	20,316.00	25,286.00	124,46
Total delivery in 2021	115,316.40	110,498.00	95,82
In % to total project budget			95,82%

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