



UN Development Programme Egypt - Cairo

Award ID: 00044541
Award Title: Support legal Aid & Dispute settlement in Family Courts
Start Year: 2008
End Year: 2015
Implementing Partner (Executing Agency): National Execution

Budget (US\$) as of Last Revision on 14-April-2014		
Donor	Fund	Amount
UNDP	04000 TRAC (Lines 1.1.1 and 1.1.2)	640.50
UNDP	30000 Programme Cost Sharing	15,000.00
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UNDP	41602 UNDP TF For ARAB HDR	0.00
Total Budget (2014 and Beyond)		822,329.50
Total Expenditure (2013 and Prior)		654,062.44
Award Total		1,476,638.45
Unprogrammed/Unfunded		0.00

Responsible Party

(Implementing Agent): EGY Ministry of Justice

Revision Type: Substantive Revision 8

Brief Description:

The purpose of this substantive budget revision is to:

1. Increase the project budget by USD 806,690 received from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) under the umbrella of the UN Joint Programme on " Social Economic and Legal Empowerment of Egyptian Women"
2. Extend the Project duration into 2015
3. Justification for the project extension is attached.

Agreed by:

Signature

Date

Name/Title

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I. Justification of the Substantive Budget Revision for Project Extension

The first phase of collaboration between UNDP and MOJ started in July 2008 and resulted in the establishment of 27 legal aid offices in family courts in the Governorates of Cairo, Suez, Beni Souef, Alexandria and South Sinai and capacity building for the staff of the dispute settlement offices as well as the newly recruited staff for the legal aid offices. The strategic importance of this project for Egypt is based on the operationalization and facilitation of access to justice by women litigants in family courts, which is in accordance to the millennium development goals as well as the efforts of the Egyptian Government to enhance the situation of women and to modernize the justice sector through improving case management.

There is a need to strengthen access of women to justice especially in family courts which review almost 700,000 cases each judicial year. To enhance the capacity of these courts and to increase their efficiency and effectiveness, there is a need to work at three levels. Firstly, at the dispute settlement level through a) specialized training for the members of the Dispute Settlement Offices (DSOs) to enhance their capacity for settling cases outside family courts which will decrease the case load in courts; b) promoting and drafting the legislation to establish judicial mediation for the settlement of family disputes. Secondly, there will be a need to improve automation in mechanization in family courts, to enhance effectiveness in decision making for senior management and in providing the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) with monthly and yearly data and information that is precise, efficient, and reliable, and also to enhance the capacity of MoJ for data analysis. To expedite the implementation of court ruling with regards to the payment of alimony for women, there is a need to establish an electronic network to include the family courts, Nasser Bank, the judicial information center and the prosecution information center and the family prosecution.

The project will consider the legal empowerment approaches as part of the solution to advance women's access to justice. Invest more resources to identify and design effective, context-specific strategies to promote gender equality. Engage with civil society and ombudsmen offices to support local ownership to ensure the legitimacy and sustainability of measures targeting women's access to justice. Institutionalization and ensure capacity development of family courts through training and benefitting from international best practices as well as the deployment of ICT to strengthen capacities of Human Resources as well as operationalizing monitoring and evaluation for project activities. The project will also support courts to enhance the quality of services to women citizens through the setting up of additional legal aid offices and support to dispute settlement offices in addition to enhancing e-services for women citizens.

Expected results:

- Operational efficiency, transparency and integrity strengthened in Family Courts and Family Prosecution; and
- Increased access to legal Information on Personal Status Law and Family Courts Law.

1. Results Framework

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Outcome 3.2: National Institutions and CSOs are strengthened to further protect, respect and fulfill Human Rights in line with Egypt's international commitments, with special focus on women, children, disabled, refugees, the aged and migrants <p>Indicator : Number of Family courts with automated judicial work system (family Prosecution, Legal Aid Office, Dispute Settlement Office; the Court; the Center for Judicial Studies); Baseline: There are no family courts with automated judicial work system ; Target: The judicial work systems in at least 2 Family courts are automated and connected to Supplementary Services namely national banks</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>INTENDED OUTPUTS</th><th>OUTPUT TARGETS FOR (YEARS)</th><th>INDICATIVE ACTIVITIES</th><th>RESPONSIBLE PARTIES</th><th>BUDGET</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><u>Output</u> : Fair and efficient access to justice by women improved</td><td>Activity Result 4.1: Operational Efficiency, transparency and integrity strengthened in Family Courts and Family Prosecution.</td><td> <p><u>Sub-Activities:</u></p> <p><i>Indicator 1:</i> Timeframe to issue sentence/decision in family court cases</p> <p><i>Target:</i> Officially announced/defined timeframe to issue sentence/decision in family court cases</p> <p><i>Baseline:</i> No timeframe to issue sentence/decision in family court cases</p> </td><td>UNDP</td><td>\$ 488,667</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	INTENDED OUTPUTS	OUTPUT TARGETS FOR (YEARS)	INDICATIVE ACTIVITIES	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	BUDGET	<u>Output</u> : Fair and efficient access to justice by women improved	Activity Result 4.1: Operational Efficiency, transparency and integrity strengthened in Family Courts and Family Prosecution.	<p><u>Sub-Activities:</u></p> <p><i>Indicator 1:</i> Timeframe to issue sentence/decision in family court cases</p> <p><i>Target:</i> Officially announced/defined timeframe to issue sentence/decision in family court cases</p> <p><i>Baseline:</i> No timeframe to issue sentence/decision in family court cases</p>	UNDP	\$ 488,667
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<i>Indicator 2: Number of Cases settled by the Dispute Settlement Offices</i>	<i>Activity Result 4.2: Increased Access to legal Information on Personal Status Law and Family Courts Law.</i>	UNDP	\$ 244,343
<i>Target:</i> Increased number of cases settled by the Dispute Settlement Offices	<i>Sub-Activities:</i> 4.2.1 Conduct analysis for the required Reach out Target Beneficiaries. 4.2.2 Upscale the establishment of Legal Aid Offices in family courts and hotlines including to get feedback. Disseminate legal information. 4.2.3 Design and implement outreach campaigns for Literate and illiterate women. 4.2.4 Enhance access of family prosecutors, judges and administrative staff to legal information; library; guidelines; explanatory commentaries, memoranda, compliance guides, etc through website, bench books etc.		
<i>Baseline:</i> Limited number of cases settled by the Dispute Settlement Offices			
<i>Indicator 3: Number of cases presented to legal aid offices (disaggregated by gender)</i>			
<i>Target:</i> Increased number of cases presented to legal aid offices (disaggregated by gender)			
<i>Baseline:</i> During the period from 2009 to 2012, the total number of legal aid cases addressed was 19,074. 10,819 cases were filed by women and 8,255 were filed by men.			
	<i>Total Budget</i>	\$ 733,010	
	<i>Facilities and Administration 7%</i>	\$ 52,730	
	<i>Programme Coordination Fees</i>	\$ 20,950	
	<i>Grand Total</i>	\$ 806,690	

Project Work Plan 2014

<p>1.5 Upgrade automation and networking in family court system (family courts; legal aid offices; family prosecution; and Nasser Bank to facilitate/expedite access of women to alimony).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Implement the automation and networking in 3 Family Courts systems (Helipolis,Luxor, Aswan) [Family Courts , Legal Aid Offices, Dispute Settlement Offices and Family Prosecution] * Develop an MoU between the MOJ and Nasser Bank to implement the linking up between LaO and NB * Nasser Bank establishes an unit in the central offices to link up with LAOs 	<p>Target: Increased number of cases settled by the Dispute Settlement Offices</p> <p>Baseline: Limited number of cases settled by the Dispute Settlement Offices</p>	<p>Ministry of Justice/ Prosecution Information Center</p> <p>X X X</p> <p>98,000</p>
<p>1.6 Provide training for judges & court staff in operational efficiency techniques.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Hold Round Table for involved Family courts Judges for analysing the recommendations will be raise by Last phase Final Term Evaluation committee * Hold training courses for legal aid offices employees to enhance their abilities and updating their Legal info * Organize session for Senior judges of family courts to assess the impact of legal aid performance and the efficiency of cases management and their Judgment 	<p>Ministry of Justice</p> <p>X X X</p>	<p>12,000</p>
<p>1.7 Organize Study Tours to benefit from international best practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Organize study tours and exchange with different best practices/international experiences <p>To examine environment and networking between society and government agencies.</p>	<p>Ministry of Justice</p> <p>X X X</p>	<p>10,000,000</p>
<p>1.8 Organize environment and networking between society and government agencies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Establish database of NGOs * Improve Communication Strategy (Women's Complaints Office,NGOs and Hotlines including Facebook). * Sign MoU with Women Complaints Office in the NCW * Organize roundtables with NGOs at the local level * Prepare reports and recommendations based on these roundtable and outreach 	<p>Ministry of Justice</p> <p>X X X</p>	<p>3,000</p>
<p>1.9 Provide Technical support to strengthen capacity of dispute settlement offices including advocacy for establishment of judicial mediation/settlement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Organize roundtable with FC judges * Organize roundtable with DSO specialists * Invite international expertise on judicial settlement * Prepare reports of roundtables and including recommendations * Prepare MOU with the proposal to draft legislation for judiciary settlement in DSO * Draft legislation to operationalize the role of DSO to include judiciary settlement 		
<p>Administration fees for UNDP(7%)</p>	<p>9,885</p>	
<p>Subtotal</p>		<p>151,099,000</p>

Indicator 3 : Number of cases presented to legal aid offices
 disaggregated by gender)
Target: Increased number of cases presented to legal aid offices
 (disaggregated by gender)

		<i>Activity Result (2): Increased Access to legal Information on Personal Status Law and Family Courts law.</i>		
Subactivities				
2.1 Conduct analysis for the required Reach out Target Beneficiaries. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Set up GIS of Legal Aid offices for all over Family Courts. * Implement the automation and networking in 3 Family Courts systems (Helipolis,Luxour,Aswan) Family Courts ; Legal Aid Offices, Dispute Settlement Offices and Family Prosecution) * Hold Round Table of Family Courts Presidents to strengthen outreach of the LAOs 	x x x Prococation Information Center 1.000			
2.2 Upscale the establishment of Legal Aid Offices in family courts and hotlines including to get feedback. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Formation a committee to survey the family court, and then specify the courts which in high priority to establish Legal Aid offices * Identify Family courts to establish Legal Aid offices based on the delivered committee report , Hence Seek ministerial / administrative decree to recruit the staff for the Legal Aid offices (approximately 15 LAOs) * Equipping and Furnishing the selective Legal Aid offices * Upgrade the facilities of the Disputes Settlement offices in the Family Courts. * PMU operational expenses * Travel 	x x x Ministry of Justice 48.000			
2.3 Disseminate legal Information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Develop strategy and Work Plan for the dissemination of legal information on personal status law 	x x x Ministry of Justice 2.000			
2.4 Design and Implement outreach campaigns for Literate and Illiterate women. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Establish Cooperation Protocols with Media and Press to raise Women awareness of her Legal rights 	Ministry of Justice 3.570			
Administration fees for UNDP(7%)				
Subtotal	54.570			
Activity Result (3); Project Management Unit (PMU)				
Sub Activities				

Project Work Plan 2015

Expected Outputs, Indicators and Targets	Project Activities	Time Frame				Responsible Party	Budget
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Subactivities	<p>Subactivities:</p> <p>Justice to build culture of human rights and emphasize the Impartiality of judges and prosecutors as the protectors of rights & freedoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Draft TOR and identify National/international expert * Develop manual/curricula and methodology for training on HRBAP one for Judges * Develop manual/curricula and methodology for training on HRBAP for court staff * Conduct training/Workshops for Judges and court staff * Evaluation of training * Identify possible partnerships for the conduct of the trainings <p>Output : Fair and efficient access to justice by women improved</p> <p>Output Indicators:</p> <p><i>Indicator 1: Timetable to issue sentence/decision in family court cases</i></p> <p><i>Target : Officially announced/defined timeframe to issue sentence/decision in family court cases</i></p> <p>Baseline : No timetable to issue sentence/decision in family court cases</p> <p>Indicator 2: Number of Cases settled by the Dispute Settlement Offices</p>						
	<p>1.1 Conduct training in rights-based approaches & access to Justice to build culture of human rights and emphasize the Impartiality of judges and prosecutors as the protectors of rights & freedoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Draft TOR and identify National/international expert * Develop manual/curricula and methodology for training on HRBAP one for Judges * Develop manual/curricula and methodology for training on HRBAP for court staff * Conduct training/Workshops for Judges and court staff * Evaluation of training * Identify possible partnerships for the conduct of the trainings <p>1.2 Conduct in-depth assessment of needs to develop the training needs, methodologies and programmes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Develop TOR for consultant to conduct needs assessment to identify training needs for judges and court staff * Develop Questionnaire * Conduct focus group discussions <p>1.3 Improve court & case management, scheduling & streamlining of procedures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Conduct a study on how to enhance the efficiency in family courts(training, IT, procedures, etc..) for LAO, DSO and judges * Organize roundtable/focus group discussions with Staff of courts, LAO, DSO and judges <p>1.4 Upgrade the use of IT to improve the operational efficiency and transparency in family courts and of the Family Prosecution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * National consultant to implement the study carried out under activity 1.3 on how to enhance the efficiency in family courts(training, IT, procedures, etc..) for LAO, DSO and judges <p>1.5 Upgrade automation and networking in family court system (family courts; legal aid offices; family prosecution; and Nasser Bank to facilitate/expedite access of women to alimony).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Implement the automation and networking in 3 Family Courts systems (Heliopolis,Luxor, Aswan) (Family Courts ; Legal Aid offices, Dispute Settlement Offices and Family Prosecution) * Develop an MoU between the MOJ and Nasser Bank to implement the linking up between LAO and NB * Nasser Bank establishes an unit in the central offices to link up with LAOs <p>1.6 Provide training for judges & court staff in operational efficiency techniques.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Hold Round Table for involved Family courts judges for analysing the recommendations will be raise by Last phase Final Term Evaluation committee * Hold training courses for legal aid offices employees to enhance their abilities and updating their legal info * Organize session for Senior judges of family courts to assess the impact of legal aid performance and the efficiency of cases management and their Judgment 						11,000
		x	x	x	x	Ministry of Justice	6,000
		x	x	x	x	Ministry of Justice	1,506
		x	x	x	x	Ministry of Justice / Prosecution Information Center	28,000
		x	x	x	x	Ministry of Justice	10,500

2.4 Design and Implement outreach campaigns for Literate and illiterate women.	
* Establish Cooperation Protocols with Media and Press to raise Women awareness of her Legal rights	
Administration fees for UNDP(7%)	
Subtotal	
Activity Result (3): Project Management Unit (PMU)	
Sub Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Recruit PMU staff * Organize Project Board Meeting * Conduct Annual project audit * Conduct Project final term Evaluation * Upgrade PMU 	
Administration fees for UNDP(7%)	
Subtotal	
Grand Total	



Annual Work Plan

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Output	Key Activities	Timeframe		Responsible Party	Planned Budget		
		Start	End		Fund	Donor	Budget Descr
00062432 Create Legal Aid	PMU established			EGY Ministry of Justice	04000 UNDP	74500 Miscellaneous Expenses	Amount US\$ 0,00
00072481 Legal Aid Offices in FC	T&l strengthened in FC & F			EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	72700 Hospitality/Catering	5,500,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	72100 Contractual Services-Companies	7,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	72800 Information Technology Equipment	95,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	71300 Local Consultants	17,714,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	74200 Audio Visual&Print Prod Costs	6,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	71600 Travel	10,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	75100 Facilities & Administration	9,885,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	72500 Supplies	8,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	71300 Local Consultants	1,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	71600 Travel	7,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	75100 Facilities & Administration	3,570,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	72200 Equipment and Furniture	35,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 UNDP	72700 Hospitality/Catering	1,428,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 UNDP	71600 Travel	1,088,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 UNDP	71300 Local Consultants	3,086,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 UNDP	74500 Miscellaneous Expenses	2,968,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	71400 Contractual Services - Individ	28,800,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 UNDP	72700 Hospitality/Catering	428,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	04000 UNDP	74500 Miscellaneous Expenses	640,50
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 UNDP	71400 Contractual Services - Individ	6,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	74100 Professional Services	3,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	75100 Facilities & Administration	2,716,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000 Epw Egypt W	72200 Equipment and Furniture	7,000,00
							262,825,50
							262,825,50
							GRAND TOTAL



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00072481 Legal Aid Offices in FC	T&l strengthened in FC & F			EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	72500 Supplies	500,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	75100 Facilities & Administration	23,806,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	72400 Communic & Audio Visual Equip	1,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	72700 Hospitality/Catering	15,500,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	72100 Contractual Services-Companies	8,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	71200 International Consultants	10,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	72800 Information Technology Equipment	355,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	71300 Local Consultants	25,086,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	72200 Equipment and Furniture	38,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	72700 Hospitality/Catering	2,000,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	71600 Travel	3,500,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	75100 Facilities & Administration	8,994,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	72500 Supplies	10,000,00
PMU				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	74100 Professional Services	22,680,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	71400 Contractual Services - Individ	31,680,00
				EGY Ministry of Justice	30000	Epw Egypt W	75100 Facilities & Administration	3,755,00
TOTAL GRAND TOTAL					559,504,00			559,504,00