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Participating UN Organisation: UNESCO **Priority Area:** Essential Services – **Priority Sub-Area:** Education /**Sector:** Education

Government of Iraq – Responsible Line Ministry: Ministry of Municipalities and Antiquities (KRG)

Title	Upgrading of Suleimanyah Museum for development of educational programs				
Geo. Location	Kurdistan Region				
Project Cost	USD 350,000				
Duration	12 months extended to 24 months				
Approval Date (SC)	27/06/2010	Starting Date	24/08/2010	Completion Date	24/08/2011 extended to 24/08/2012
Project Description	<p>The Suleimanyah Museum is an ideal flagship candidate for introducing state-of-the-art museology and internationally recognized good-practices in the Kurdistan region. The Suleimanyah Museum is arguably the finest archaeological museum in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. The museum has a committed management and staff determined to bring the museum into the 21st century.</p> <p>The proposed project will assist the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) to protect and promote the multi-ethnic Iraqi national heritage as reflected through the museums in the region, by introducing and disseminating accepted international museological good-practices and related museum expertise into the Suleimanyah Museum, in particular by supporting the development of educational programs and materials for secondary school teachers and students. Museum Education programmes will support the quality education of history and culture of Iraq. The ultimate aim of the project is for the Suleimanyah Museum to become a <u>model and resource</u> for other museums and museum specialists in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq as well as in Iraq in general.</p>				

Development Goal and Immediate Objectives

NDS:

4. Completing all curriculums in primary and secondary education levels for all girls and boys
5. Waiving off gender discrimination in all educational levels.

ICI Benchmarks (as per the Joint Monitoring Matrix 2008):

- Reduce illiteracy with 50% (Baseline UBN 31.8% of population have no access to education)
- Achieve basic universal education

Sector Team Outcome(s):

- Enhanced access to all levels of quality education with particular focus on girls

Programme/Project Outcome(s):

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Outputs, Key activities and Procurement

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Activities	1- Analysis and Research for the Master Plan 2- Development of Alternatives for MP 3- Conclusions and Final Master Plan 4- Architectural Redesign of Museum spaces 5- Refurbishment of exhibition space and lecture auditorium 6- Development of training materials and educational kits 7- Training of trainers
Procurement	Supplies, equipment

Funds Committed	340,096 USD	97.17%	
Funds Disbursed	314,605 USD	89.89 %	
Forecast final date	24 th August 2012	Delay (months)	12 months

Direct Beneficiaries	Number of Beneficiaries	% of planned (current status)
Men	10 - Direct beneficiaries include the Government of Iraq and all relevant governmental institutions in particular the Museum of Sulaymaniyah, the Department of Antiquities of Sulaymaniyah Governorate and Education Department of Sulaymaniyah. Similarly youth (male, female) and school teachers (male, female) will benefit from the development of the educational programmes and training materials.	100%
Women	25 - The project aims for at least 45% participation by women in all workshops and training sessions.	100%
Children	All Primary and secondary school students in Sulaymaniyah.	100%
IDPs		
Others		
Indirect beneficiaries	All population, in particular the young generation, since the project will assist in protecting and promoting the multi-ethnic Iraqi national heritage	
Employment generation (men/women)	1 woman, 2 men at Museum Education Department	100%

Quantitative achievements against objectives and results		
Development and Refinement of Strategies for the Master Plan.	A short and long-term framework strategy for achieving educational function in the museum developed. National and international experts worked on refining the museum collection and selecting highlight for each category of the museum collection. Data base on the collection of the museum, and digitalization of museum collection images developed to be advanced.	100%
Conclusions and Final Master Plan	Master Plan finalized	100%
Architectural Redesign of Museum spaces	Architectural brief finalized	100%

Refurbishment of exhibition space and lecture auditorium	n/a to date	
Development of training materials and educational kits	Final educational training programme developed by Education Department. 6 school visits conducted and educational material tested and refined	100%
Training of trainers	Museum staff trained by education expert to use museum as education facility and train teachers	100%

Qualitative achievements against objectives and results		
<p>Based on the input of all the international experts associated to the project, and 6 months of on-site engagement and consultation with the museum management and staff and department of antiquities, the project coordinator delivered the draft of the Museum Master Plan. A museum designer prepared an architectural brief for the redesign of the museum building and exhibition spaces. These documents were discussed by the counterparts and their modifications integrated into an updated version translated into Kurdish.</p> <p>The database of the museum collection, educational panels for the museum, and pilot refurbishment are due to be completed before 28th February 2013, end date of KRG-funded component of the project.</p>		

Main implementation constraints & challenges (2-3 sentences)		