

**LOW EMISSIONS CLIMATE RESILIENT DEVELOPMENT (LECRD)  
MPTF OFFICE GENERIC ANNUAL PROGRAMME<sup>1</sup> NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT  
REPORTING PERIOD: 1 JANUARY – 31 MARCH 2014**

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| <p align="center"><b>Programme Title &amp; Project Number</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programme Title: Low emission climate resilient development</li> <li>• Programme Number: 00088009</li> <li>• MPTF Office Project Reference Number:<sup>3</sup> 00088009</li> </ul>  | <p align="center"><b>Country, Locality(s), Priority Area(s) / Strategic Results<sup>2</sup></b></p> <p><i>(if applicable)</i><br/>Country/Region: Maldives/Laamu Atoll</p>  |
| <p align="center"><b>Participating Organization(s)</b></p> <p>UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, UNOPS, WHO, UN Women, FAO</p>   | <p><i>Priority area/ strategic results</i><br/>UNDAF Outcome 9: Enhanced capacities at national and local levels to support low carbon life-styles, climate change adaptation, and disaster risk reduction</p>  |
| <p align="center"><b>Programme/Project Cost (US\$)</b></p> <p>Total approved budget as per project document: \$9.2 million<br/>MPTF /JP Contribution<sup>4</sup>: \$9.2 million</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>by Agency (if applicable)</i><br/>Agency Contribution</li> <li>• <i>by Agency (if applicable) None</i><br/>Government Contribution<br/><i>(if applicable) None</i></li> <li>Other Contributions (donors)<br/><i>(if applicable) None</i></li> </ul> <p><b>TOTAL: \$9.2 million</b></p> | <p align="center"><b>Implementing Partners</b></p>  |
| <p align="center"><b>Programme Assessment/Review/Mid-Term Eval.</b></p> <p>Assessment/Review - <i>if applicable please attach</i><br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Date: dd.mm.yyyy<br/>         Mid-Term Evaluation Report – <i>if applicable please attach</i><br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Date: dd.mm.yyyy</p>   | <p align="center"><b>Programme Duration</b></p> <p>Overall Duration (<i>months</i>) 36<br/><i>months</i></p> <p>Start Date<sup>5</sup> (08.11.2013)</p> <p>Original End Date<sup>6</sup> (01.11.2016)</p> <p>Current End date<sup>7</sup></p>               |
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<sup>1</sup> The term “programme” is used for programmes, joint programmes and projects.

<sup>2</sup> Strategic Results, as formulated in the Strategic UN Planning Framework (e.g. UNDAF) or project document;

<sup>3</sup> The MPTF Office Project Reference Number is the same number as the one on the Notification message. It is also referred to as “Project ID” on the project’s factsheet page the [MPTF Office GATEWAY](#)

<sup>4</sup> The MPTF or JP Contribution, refers to the amount transferred to the Participating UN Organizations, which is available on the [MPTF Office GATEWAY](#)

<sup>5</sup> The start date is the date of the first transfer of the funds from the MPTF Office as Administrative Agent. Transfer date is available on the [MPTF Office GATEWAY](#)

<sup>6</sup> As per approval of the original project document by the relevant decision-making body/Steering Committee.

<sup>7</sup> If there has been an extension, then the revised, approved end date should be reflected here. If there has been no extension approved, then the current end date is the same as the original end date. The end date is the same as the operational closure date which is when all activities for which a Participating Organization is responsible under an approved MPTF / JP have been completed. As per the MOU, agencies are to notify the MPTF Office when a programme completes its operational activities.

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### **Guidelines:**

The Narrative Progress Report template is based on the UNDG 2003 template, which is currently under review and is in line with the [UNDG Results Based Management Handbook \(October 2011\)](#).

Building on continued efforts made in the UN system to produce results-based reports, the progress report should describe how the activities (inputs) contributed to the achievement of specific short-term outputs during the twelve month reporting period, and to demonstrate how the short-term outputs achieved in the reporting period collectively **contributed to the achievement of the agreed upon outcomes** of the applicable Strategic (UN) Planning Framework guiding the operations of the Fund.

In support of the individual programme reports, please attach any additional relevant information and photographs, assessments, evaluations and studies undertaken or published.

Where available, the information contained in the Programme Summaries and Quarterly and/or Semi-Annual Updates prepared by the Participating Organizations may be useful in the preparation of the Annual Narrative Progress Report. These Summaries and Updates, where applicable, are available in the respective Fund sections of the MPTF Office GATEWAY (<http://mptf.undp.org/>).

### **Formatting Instructions:**

- The report should be between 10-15 pages. Include a list of the main abbreviations and acronyms that are used in the report.
- Number all pages, sections and paragraphs as indicated below.
- Format the entire document using the following font: 12point \_ Times New Roman and do not use colours.
- The report should be submitted in one single Word or PDF file.
- Annexes can be added to the report but need to be clearly referenced, using footnotes or endnotes within the body of the narrative.

## **NARRATIVE REPORT FORMAT**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Maldives is subject to many geographic and economic factors that make it highly susceptible to climate induced changes in sea level, rainfall, sea surface temperature, storm activity, wave action, and ocean acidification. Being the flattest country on earth, with more than 80% of the land less than 1 meter above sea level; more than 75% of critical infrastructure and 45% of dwellings within 100 meters of the ocean; the potential for climate change to impact adversely on Maldives makes it a highly vulnerable country.

The Indian Ocean tsunami in 2004 had dramatic impact on the population and economy and showed that the entire nation is exposed to high levels of risks. Considering that climate change is expected to increase in frequency, intensity and unpredictability of weather-related hazards, a strong element of disaster risk management is required as adaptation measure. Despite several important initiatives in the years after the Indian Ocean Tsunami in 2004, progress has been slow in the area of or proactive disaster risk management. Disaster response which is handled by the civil defense, armed forces and the President's office is often ad hoc. The National Disaster Management Center's (NDMC) role has traditionally been confined to emergency logistics and water supply. However, NDMC in stepping up its efforts to manage disasters, prepared the Disaster Management Bill in 2008 and a Strategic National Action Plan (SNAP) for DRR/CCA for 2010-2020.

The UN joint programme will assist the Laamu Atoll and its islands to realize low emission and climate resilient development (LECRd). The programme seeks to mainstream LECRd issues into local level development planning and service delivery for greater community-level ownership and sustainability of programme benefits. Towards this objective, the programme will support local councils, civil society, private sector and other local stakeholders to establish platforms for stronger partnerships, improved coordination, and enhanced participation in local planning for LECRd; it will strengthen data and knowledge systems for LECRd; improve local level LECRd development planning and management of service delivery; and through a learning-by-doing approach establish early lessons and build demand for LECRd planning and management for replication and scaling-up. Activities outlined in the Joint Work Plan have been based on agencies' strengths. UNDP's main area of focus includes reviewing of existing legal and institutional arrangements for environmental, LECRd and DRM governance and produce capacity development "roadmap" recommendations and local language advocacy tools for use by local councils, WDCs, LGA, DNP, and line ministries. UN Women will provide training on gender issues and the role of women in addressing climate change to relevant stakeholders in Laamu Atoll. UNICEF will provide technical expertise in the areas of advocacy and awareness on child and women centered DRR and CCA to the schools and communities in Laamu. In addition UNFPA will focus on appropriate local-level multi-sector Data Management Plan and establishment of the Atoll Statistics and Planning Unit (ASPU) and provide training in accordance with DMTP to strengthen systems to maintain data. WHO will provide support on the integration of public health and DRR related climate sensitive variables and resources into activities and provide associated training; and FAO will support integration of agriculture related climate sensitive variables and resources into activities and provide associated training.

The aim is that the local development plans will evolve from stand-alone action plans into more strategic and evidence-based instruments, which are climate smart and able to mobilize public and private investment. This programme will be closely linked to the existing national development planning cycle and will build capacity of local and national partners engaged in these local processes. The rationale being that lessons learned will be used to inform replication throughout the country and directly support the national agenda

## **I. Purpose**

To raise awareness and knowledge of schools and communities on the importance of DRR and CCA to increase resilience and create an enabling environment to mitigate effects of disasters and climate change related hazards.

### **Planned Programme/ Project Results**

The planned activities during the reporting period were:

- Development of ToR and obtain technical expertise to develop age and gender specific advocacy package on child-centered DRR and Climate Change Adaptation in Laamu Atoll
- Initiation of LaamuInfo

## **II. Results**

The following has been achieved during the programming period

- Agree with government line ministries on the activities identified for the year 2014 under LECReD
- Developed draft ToR for the development of the advocacy package to promote child and community-centred DRR and CCA in Laamu Atoll with NDMC
- Initiated dialogue with Department of National Planning on LaamuInfo

### **Challenges:**

- Programme progress during the reporting was heavily impeded by the delays that took place in getting the work plans signed with the different government agencies and allocation of focal points to support the activities of LECReD.
- Delays in getting approvals to documentation processes

## ii) Indicator Based Performance Assessment:

Using the **Programme Results Framework from the Project Document / AWP** - provide an update on the achievement of indicators at both the output and outcome level in the table below. Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, clear explanation should be given explaining why, as well as plans on how and when this data will be collected.

|   | <b><u>Achieved</u> Indicator Targets</b> | <b>Reasons for Variance with Planned Target (if any)</b> | <b>Source of Verification</b> |
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| <b>Outcome 1<sup>8</sup></b><br>Enhanced capacities at national and local levels to support low carbon life-styles, climate change adaptation, and disaster risk reduction<br><b>Indicator:</b><br><b>Baseline:</b><br><b>Planned Target:</b>   | --                                       | --   | --                            |
| <b>Output 1</b><br>Partnership, coordination and participation platform for local LECReD planning and action is strengthened<br><br>UNICEF (1.2.3) Conduct age and gender specific advocacy on child-centered and community-based disaster risk reduction and climate change<br><br><b>Indicator:</b> Advocacy package developed<br><b>Baseline:</b> None<br><b>Planned Target:</b> Available and disseminated          | --                                       | --   | --                            |
| <b>Output 2</b><br>Data and knowledge systems established or identified to support evidence-based planning and policy development for LECReD at the local level<br><br>UNICEF (2.1.9)<br>support integration of LaamuInfo system and other community-based DRR related climate sensitive variables and resources into activities and provide associated training<br><br><b>Indicator:</b> LaamuInfo database customized | --                                       | --   | --                            |

<sup>8</sup> Note: Outcomes, outputs, indicators and targets should be **as outlined in the Project Document** so that you report on your **actual achievements against planned targets**. Add rows as required for Outcome 2, 3 etc.

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| <b>Baseline:</b> 0<br><b>Planned Target:</b> Database developed and data utilized |  |  |  |
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### iii) A Specific Story (Optional)

- This could be a success or human story. It does not have to be a success story – often the most interesting and useful lessons learned are from experiences that have not worked. The point is to highlight a concrete example with a story that has been important to your Programme in the reporting period.
- In ¼ to ½ a page, provide details on a specific achievement or lesson learned of the Programme. Attachment of supporting documents, including photos with captions, news items etc, is strongly encouraged. The MPTF Office will select stories and photos to feature in the Consolidated Annual Report, the GATEWAY and the MPTF Office Newsletter.

**Problem / Challenge faced:** Describe the specific problem or challenge faced by the subject of your story (this could be a problem experienced by an individual, community or government).

**Programme Interventions:** How was the problem or challenged addressed through the Programme interventions?

**Result (if applicable):** Describe the observable *change* that occurred so far as a result of the Programme interventions. For example, how did community lives change or how was the government better able to deal with the initial problem?

**Lessons Learned:** What did you (and/or other partners) learn from this situation that has helped inform and/or improve Programme (or other) interventions?

### III. Other Assessments or Evaluations (if applicable)

- Report on any assessments, evaluations or studies undertaken.

### IV. Programmatic Revisions (if applicable)

- Indicate any major adjustments in strategies, targets or key outcomes and outputs that took place.

### V. Resources (Optional)

- Provide any information on financial management, procurement and human resources.
- Indicate if the Programme mobilized any additional resources or interventions from other partners.