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Participating UN Organisation:

UNDP (Lead Agency)
 UNESCO, ILO, UNOPS, UNHABITAT, UNIFEM,
 WHO

Sector: Governance

Government of Iraq – Responsible Line Ministry: Ministry of Education and Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs

Title	Local Area Development Programme (LADP) / Area Based Development				
Geographic Location	Governorate of Sulymaniyah: Sayid Sadiq & New Halabja districts Governorate of Babylon: Hillah district Governorate of Basrah: Mdaina district Governorate of Thi Qar: Chibayesh district Governorate of Missan: Maymouna district				
Project Cost	US\$ 30, 338,384 (of which UNESCO's budget = US\$ 3,235,570)				
Duration	31 months (Project was extended until 18 th December 2009)				
Approval Date (SC)	April 10, 2007	Starting Date	May 1, 2007	Completion Date	Project was extended 31 July 2010
Project Description	Project Description	The Programme will strengthen the abilities of local authorities in three areas in the north, centre and south to prepare and implement human rights based, gender sensitive local area development plans; stimulate local economic development and generate short term and sustainable long term employment; improve social and physical infrastructure using labour intensive approaches.			

Development Goal and Immediate Objectives

Development Goal: Improve living conditions and contribute to sustainable poverty reduction in the three selected areas in Iraq.

Objective 1: Strengthen the capabilities of local authorities in three selected areas in the north, center and south to plan and manage reconstruction and development activities through the formulation and implementation of human rights based, gender sensitive local area development plans.

Objective 2: Stimulate local economic development and generate short-term and sustainable long term employment in the three selected areas.

Objective 3: Improve social and physical infrastructure using labour intensive approaches and the service delivery capabilities of local governments in the three selected areas.

Outputs, Key activities and Procurement

Outputs	<p>(List in reference to the key immediate objectives)</p> <p>1.1. Comprehensive human rights based, gender sensitive local area development plans (LADPs) for three areas prepared and adopted by local authorities and stakeholders assisted by a team of UN agencies based on joint-participatory needs assessments.</p> <p>1.2. Strengthened coordination and communication mechanisms between central government and local authorities in the three areas.</p> <p>2.1. Improved local business environment for small businesses in the three areas.</p> <p>2.2. At least 80 new small enterprises and cooperatives established in three areas.</p> <p>2.3. Enhanced employment skills for at least 1500 residents in three areas</p> <p>3.1. 30 water and sanitation facilities and services improved in three areas</p>
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	<p>3.2. 9 primary educational facilities and programme activities improved in three areas</p> <p>3.3. 12 health services centers and services improved in three areas.</p> <p>3.4. 2500 housing units and 12 community facilities improved in three areas</p> <p>3.5. Improved conditions for agriculture development and the promotion of environmental awareness including through 60 small infrastructures projects in three areas.</p> <p>3.6. 30 community based electricity facilities and services improved in three areas</p> <p>3.7. 9 damaged religious sites rehabilitated in three areas.</p>
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To rehabilitate Physics, Chemistry, Biology labs & provide lab furniture in 8 selected schools - To rehabilitate 3 Vocational Training Centers by providing workshops for training - To build capacity of 24 teachers of Chemistry, Physics and Biology in the 8 selected schools. - To build capacity of 12 VTC staff by providing technical and pedagogical training.
Procurement (major items)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lab Furniture and equipment for 8 schools (2) Suleimanya, (3) Hilla (3) Marshlands. - Workshop equipment to 3 vocational training centres (1 in each governorate)

Funds Committed	US\$ 2,320,712	% of approved	71.72%
Funds Disbursed	US\$ 1,462,920	% of approved	45.21%
Forecast final date	31 July 2010	Delay (months)	18 months

Direct Beneficiaries	Number of Beneficiaries	% of planned (current status)
Men	1000	
Women	500	
Children	----	
IDPs	----	
Others	----	
Indirect beneficiaries	3000	
Employment generation (men/women)	1500	

Quantitative achievements against objectives and results			
Objective 1: Strengthen the capabilities of local authorities in three selected areas in the north, center and south to plan and manage reconstruction and development activities through the formulation and implementation of human rights based, gender sensitive local area development plans.	Refer to output 2.3: - A Capacity building workshop for VTC and Ministry of Labour managers. Was scheduled to be held on 18-22- December 2009. The activity was postponed to 25030 January 2010 due to delay in nominations by Iraqi Ministries.	% of planned 85 %	
Objective 2: Stimulate local economic development and generate short-term and sustainable long term employment in the three selected areas.	Refer to output 2.3: Contracts have been signed for purchasing carpentry and welding labs for the three VTCs. Delivery expected in April 2010. Contracts for Computer labs for the eight schools have also been signed. Delivery expected in April 2010. Bids for Generators for VTCs and schools were closed and recommendations were sent to headquarters for approval.	% of planned 85 %	
Objective 3: Improve social and physical infrastructure using labour	Refer to output 3.2: - Lab furniture has been delivered to the 8 schools in the three Directorates of	% of planned	

intensive approaches and the service delivery capabilities of local governments in the three selected areas.	Education in Sulaimanya, Hilla and Missan. Chemistry and Biology labs have been delivered to Aqaba and waiting for letters of tax exemption to enter Iraq and be delivered to the schools.	85 %	
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Qualitative achievements against objectives and results

- 1- The 3 VTCs have still not been opened although steps have been taken by MOLSA to appoint staff and transport equipment to the buildings.
- 2- Lab furniture and Physics, Biology and Chemistry lab have been transported to the schools and set up.

Main implementation constrains & challenges (2-3 sentences)

- 1- Iraqi ministries have been very slow in responding to urgent matters of implementation such as issuing letters of tax exemption or officially opening VTCs.
- 2- Lack of coordination between line Ministries and local Councils is one of the main impediments.