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Participating UN Organisation: UNESCO **Sector: Education**
Government of Iraq – Responsible Line Ministry: Ministry of Municipalities and Antiquities (KRG)

Title	Upgrading of Suleimanyah Museum for development of educational programs				
Geographic Location	Kurdistan Region				
Project Cost	USD 350,000				
Duration	12 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, <u>in particular by supporting the development of educational programs and materials for secondary school teachers and students.</u> 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
<p>NDS:</p> <p>4. Completing all curriculums in primary and secondary education levels for all girls and boys 5. Waiving off gender discrimination in all educational levels.</p> <p>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</p> <p>Sector Team Outcome(s): Enhanced access to all levels of quality education with particular focus on girls</p> <p>Programme/Project Outcome(s): Enhanced access to all levels of quality education with particular focus on girls</p>

Outputs, Key activities and Procurement	
Outputs	<p>Output 1.1: Capacity building for Museum Management</p> <p>Output 1.2: Capacity Building for the Development and Delivery of Educational Programmes</p>
Activities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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	USD 285,986.86	% of approved	81.71%
Funds Disbursed	USD 205,917.57	% of approved	58.83%
Forecast final date	24.08.2012	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.	80%
Women	25 The project aims for at least 45% participation by women in all workshops and training sessions.	85%
Children	All Primary and secondary school students in Sulaymaniyah.	
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)		

Quantitative achievements against objectives and results		% of planned
Development and Refinement of Strategies for the Master Plan.	<p>A short and long-term framework strategy for achieving educational function in the museum developed.</p> <p>Improved management practices and an expanded museum organizational structure developed.</p> <p>Legal policy and acquisition policy and procedures drafted for the review of the museum manager.</p> <p>A roaster for national and international experts prepared to work on refining the museum collection and selecting highlight for each category of the museum collection.</p> <p>National and international experts did a general survey the museum collection to identify chronological period, identified highlights for each category and made recommendations (thematic treatments, object display, pedagogic treatments, etc.) for consideration in exhibition reinterpretation process.</p> <p>Data base on the collection of the museum, and digitalization of museum collection images is ongoing.</p> <p>Educational programme for school children drafted.</p> <p>New museological treatment for the museum objectives under preparation</p>	80%
Conclusions and Final Master Plan	n/a to date	
Architectural Redesign of Museum spaces	Pre- assessment for the design completed	20%
Refurbishment of exhibition space and lecture auditorium	n/a to date	
Development of training materials and educational kits	First draft developed- Educational training programme developed.	20%
Training of trainers	n/a to date	

Qualitative achievements against objectives and results

Assessment of the current educational programs/ activities, policies, and procedures completed and a short and long-term framework strategy for achieving a viable and sustainable educational function in the museum developed. Improved management practices and an expanded museum organizational structure developed to help in realization of different aspects of the Master Plan.

Museum temporary objects sent to the Institute of Conservation and preservation of Antiquities and Heritage in Erbil, for reservation training.

Legal policy and acquisition policy and procedures drafted for the review of the museum manager.

A roster for national and international experts prepared to work on redefining the museum objects and selecting highlights for each category of the museum collection

Discussions on the museum mission statement ongoing, the first vision for the mission statement will be discussed after the celebration of the 50th. Anniversary of the museum in 14th. July.

Data base on the collection of the museum, and digitalization of museum collection images is ongoing.

Educational programme for school children drafted.

New museological treatment for the museum objectives under preparation

General survey for the museum collection to identify chronological period, identified highlights for each category conducted by national and international experts

Recommendations for exhibition reinterpretation provided.

The compilation of the terminology, English and Arabic, for the computerized collection database completed, the

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Educational programme for school children drafted.

On job training provided to the staff of the museum by the international experts in their pertinent field of expertise.

Main implementation constraints & challenges (2-3 sentences)

Smooth implementation of the project need permanent presence of UNESCO in Sulaymaniyah and UNESCO is in process of recruiting National Project Assistant based in Sulaymaniyah. Delays on implementation of educational component due to initial lack of competent department and staff in museum. Educational Department is being created currently.