



SL-MDTF

ANNUAL PROGRAMME NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 JANUARY – 31 DECEMBER 2011

Programme Title & Number

- Programme Title: Youth Development and Employment
- Programme Number: UN Joint Vision Programme 19
- MDTF Office Atlas Number: *Multiple*

Country, Locality(s), Thematic Area(s)

- Consolidation of peace and stability
- Integration of rural areas into the rural economy
- Economic and social integration of the youth

Participating Organization(s)

International Labour Organisation (ILO)
United Nations Development programme
United Nations Industrial development Organisation
United Nations Population Fund
Joint UN programme on AIDS (UNAIDS)

Implementing Partners

- Ministry of Works, Housing and Infrastructure
- Sierra Leone Roads Authority
- Ministry of Youth Employment and Sports
- National Youths Commission
- National AIDS Secretariat (NAS)
- Ministry of Health and Sanitation
- Marie Stopes Sierra Leone

Programme/Project Cost (US\$)

MDTF Fund Contribution:

•

Agency Contribution

- *by Agency (if applicable)*

Government Contribution

(if applicable)

Other Contribution (donor)

(if applicable)

TOTAL:

Programme Duration (months)

Overall Duration

Start Date 1 January 2011

End Date or Revised 31 December 2011

End Date,
(if applicable)

Operational Closure
Date

Expected Financial
Closure Date

Programme Assessments/Mid-Term Evaluation

Assessment Completed - if applicable *please attach*

Yes No Date: _____

Mid-Evaluation Report – *if applicable please attach*

Submitted By

- Name: Chike Nwune
- Title: Chief technical Adviser

Yes No Date: _____

- Participating Organization (Lead): ILO
- Email address: nwune@ilo.org
-

1 PURPOSE

The purpose of United Nations Joint Vision Programme 19, **Youth Development and Employment**, is to support to the efforts of the Government of Sierra Leone (GoSL) to integrate the youth into the national economy by addressing both the demand and supply sides of the employment problem as well as encourage the youths to adopt healthy sex habits. JV 19 is designed to contribute to three of the five UN Priority Areas, which are:

- Consolidation of peace and stability
- Integration of rural areas into the rural economy
- Economic and social integration of the youth

The projects involved in JV 19 include:

Quick Impact Employment Creation Project (QIECP)

Youth Employment and Empowerment

Integrating Youth Sexual Reproductive Health Into Empowerment Programme

Female Youths Economic Empowerment Project

HIV in the Workplace

UNIDO

The main objective of Programme 19 is to create short term, medium and long term employment opportunities for the youths as well as provide them the necessary skills and healthy environment to be gainfully employed. Specific outputs for the programme include:

- 440,000 person days of employment created directly through the project activities in 3years.
- 10 domestic private contractors trained to execute labour-based road works
- Domestic private contractors equipped to execute labour-based road works
- SLRA staff trained on labour based methods
- Established regional offices of NAYCOM;
- Extended training programme of TECVOC Skills Development Programme for 1,530 students;
- Report of District Based Opportunity Mapping in five districts as a pilot;
- Established Career Advisory & Placement Service Centre at FBC campus as a pilot;
- Research report on youth employment approaches and initiatives.

- Young people in public works programme in Moyamba have access to reproductive health services and information
- Young people in public works and growth centers in Moyamba have life skills
- Young people in and out of school are more knowledgeable about the reproductive health.

- Development of HIV workplace programme integrated into the QEIP Feeder Roads Project
- Training of 10 labour-based contractors as HIV Peer Educators

- Development of HIV workplace programme integrated into the QEIP Feeder Roads Project

Through JV 19, Sierra Leone's youth will benefit from a national public works programme designed to absorb at least 200,000 young men and women in public works projects such as feeder roads rehabilitation and maintenance, urban and rural development projects, etc.

II RESOURCES

Most of the agencies received approval for delivering-as-one funds from MDTF for 2011 activities in November 2011 and the funds remittance was in January 2012. Therefore, most agencies had little carry-over from 2010 funds with which some activities were undertaken while others used 2011 to round up activities started in 2010.

III IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING ARRANGEMENTS

QIECP was managed by ILO with SLRA as implementing partner. Youth Employment and Empowerment was managed by UNDP while implementation was jointly undertaken by the erstwhile Youth Employment Scheme (YES) and Ministry of Youth Employment and Sports. The project on HIV in the workplace was managed by National AIDS Secretariat in collaboration with UNAIDS. UNFPA partnered with Ministry of Health and Sanitation and Marie Stopes Sierra Leone. UNIDO worked in partnership with Ministry of Trade (Steve, I hope I am right; please correct)

Programme monitoring

IV RESULTS

Most agencies had exhausted the funds received in 2010 and, as indicated earlier, the funds for 2011 was approved in November, 2011 and received in January 2012. As a result, 2011 was mainly utilized for putting finishing touches on 2010 activities and making preparations for 2012.

Output/Deliverable	Achievements	Remarks
440,000 person days of employment created directly through the project activities in 3years.	15,562 person-days was created; 88% male and 12% female	150,000 person days planned for 2011
10 domestic private contractors trained to execute labour-based road works	5 trained in 2010 and another trained in 2011	Target met
Domestic private contractors equipped to execute labour-based road works	6 tractors, 12 trailers and 12 pedestrian rollers procured	Eqpt will be distributed to contractors on revolving loan basis
SLRA staff trained on labour based methods	SLRA (2), NaCSA (1), Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food Security (2), Makeni City Council (1)	Training of engineers is on a continuous basis

	and Bombali District Council (1) in 2010	
Procurement of office equipments/facilities for NAYCOM's main office completed; TECVOC Skills Development Training Programme extended to 1,530 students; Report of District Based Opportunity Mapping in five districts as a pilot; Establishment of a Career Advisory Placement Service (CAPS) Centre at FBC campus as a pilot	Completed in 2010 and facility became operational in April 2011 NAYCOM and Ministry of Education finalised the operational set up of Obasanjo TecVoc Centre for IT A second round of survey was undertaken covering another 5 districts CAPS established in Njala University and University of Sierra Leone.	NAYCOM became operational in June with full staff Obasanjo Centre will be the first TECVOC to specialize in one skill area CAPS Centres provide guidance to students to define career path and how to compete for jobs and link students with employers
Development of HIV workplace programme integrated into the QEIP Training of 10 labour-based contractors as HIV Peer Educators	Aligning to HIV workplace policy, HIV workplace plan developed and implemented by training participants. Training completed in Oct. 2010 and 33 constructors trained as peer educators. Follow-up visit conducted in April 2011.	UNAIDS worked in synergy with ILO in this UNAIDS worked in synergy with ILO in this
Young people in public works programme in Moyamba have access to reproductive health services and information Young people in public works and growth centers in Moyamba have life skills Young people in and out of school are more knowledgeable about the reproductive health	Preparatory activities completed but full take-off was not possible due to delay in remittance of funds Preparatory activities completed but full take-off was not possible due to delay in remittance of funds Preparatory activities completed but full take-off was not possible due to delay in remittance of funds	Activities were affected by delay in fund remittance Activities were affected by delay in fund remittance Activities were affected by delay in fund remittance

V. FUTURE WORK PLAN

QIECP will be extended to Moyamba district in 2012, while maintaining its presence in Bombali district. All the projects under JV 19, which include ILO, UNDP, UNIDO, UNFPA, UN Women and UNAIDS, will work in synergy in 2012. Based on the lessons learnt, the following deliverables are projected for 2012:

- 100,000 person days of employment created
- 5 domestic contractors trained in labour-based methods

- 5 domestic contractors received equipment on revolving loan basis (one tractor, two trailers and one pedestrian roller each)
- At least four SLRA engineers trained in labour-based methods
- Improved capacity of MYES & NAYCOM in coordination of youth activities (especially coordination mechanisms on the major youth employment and youth empowerment issues)
- Stronger system on data capture, data management and reporting (including best practice publications; State of the Youth Report to Parliament)
- Expanded youth employment opportunities through the establishment of BDS services in 6 urban areas and CAPS services in 2 university campuses and a careers advice programme in 70 senior secondary schools
- Functional structures for youth councils in 19 local council areas so that youth have an official voice in local governance processes and the youth councils capacitated to be able to have two-way communication with the NAYCOM
- 500 youth engaged in sports facility development so as to enable youth to feel a sense of empowerment over the control and management of their own sports facilities
- The strategy to set up a National Youth Service developed
- Youth sexual Reproductive Health integrated into empowerment programmes