**Paraguay**

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| **Programme Title:** | Juventud: Capacidades y oportunidades económicas para la inclusión social |
| **Programme number & MDTF ref:** | MDGF-1854-H-PRY YouthEmpMig (67195) |
| **Window:** | Youth, Employment & Migration |
| **Approved Budget by NSC (US$):** | 3.6 million |
| **Participating Organizations:** | ILO, UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNIFEM |
| **First Tranche transferred on:** | 9-Feb-2009 |
| **Second Tranche transferred on:** | 18-Jun-2010 |

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| **ACTIVITIES Reported:** |
| **Main Substantive Activities:** |
| Draft law and legal opinions on human trafficking, vocational training, youth employment, domestic workers and access to health for these groups have been prepared. A model for vocational training for vulnerable youth developed. Training provided in business plan development, teaching entrepreneurship, developing of business ideas and other areas ongoing. Several entrepreneurial projects involving over 100 persons under development. Indigenous youth receiving entrepreneurial training. Labour Household Bill developed and discussed in a technical committee between ILO, UN Women, Ministry of Justice and Labour and the Ministry for Women. Intergovernmental Panel to discuss and expand Job Placement Bill, whose recommendations will be forwarded to the National Congress, established. Teams in charge of Advocacy and Communications and Monitoring hired. 25th Special Meeting of Women of Mercosur in Asunción for regional exchange of experiences concerning the dissemination of rights and access to justice for domestic workers supported. Bureau of Youth Employment and Youth Employment Division strengthened. |
| **Problems and lessons learned:**  Coordination within participating governmental institutions has been difficult but is improving slowly. All official institutions participate in the Steering Committee that meets regularly, addresses all issues and adopts joint decisions. Governmental appropriation and empowerment have been difficult in the past but are improving. Corrective measures to face poor execution of advocacy and communication strategy and monitoring activities are being adopted. Greater attention/discussion/work from Government and UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes regarding sustainability strategy required. |
| **The programme reports relevant linkage to the UNDAF:** Yes |
| **The programme has communications strategy in place: Not yet implemented.** |

CHARTS & FIGURES

As of 31 December 2010

