**Turkey**

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| **Programme Title:**  | Harnessing Sustainable linkages for SMEs in Turkey's textile sector |
| **Programme number & MDTF ref:** | MDGF-2067-D-TUR Private Sector (70634) |
| **Window:** | MDGF Private Sector Development |
| **Approved Budget by NSC (US$):** | 2.7 million |
| **Participating Organizations:** | ILO-UNDP-UNIDO |
| **First Tranche transferred on:** | 11-Jan-2010 |

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| **ACTIVITIES :** |
| **Main Substantive Activities:**The Joint Programme initiated in January 2010. A cooperation agreement signed between UNDP and ITKIB (Istanbul Textile and Apparel Exporters Organization) which is the counterpart of the Joint Programme and the implementing partner of UNDP at the beginning of August 2010. Joint Programme Manager appointed and the Joint Programme Team set up, which was composed of an administrative officer, a financial officer and a local officer, during fall of 2010. Inception Conference organized at Malatya in November 2010, with the participation of local stakeholders. The Joint Programme had its first PMC meeting in December 2010. Negotiations for the establishment of a value chain management programme for the textile sector initiated during in November 2010. While establishing the first contacts with the local stake holders, İnönü University at Malatya consulted for the possible establishment of a research and advisory center in cooperation with this University as one of the outputs of the Joint Programme. Meetings and workshops for the preparation of the diagnostic study held with the participation of textile companies and other relevant business organizations of the textile sector in four provinces, Malatya, Kahramanmaraş, Adıyaman and Gaziantep during December 2010,. |
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| **Problems and lessons learned:** |
| Delayed recruitment of the PM led to late start of the substantive activities |
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| **The programme reports relevant linkage to the UNDAF:** Yes |
| **The programme has communications strategy in place:**  Yes |

CHARTS & FIGURES

As of 31 December 2010

