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Sierra Leone MDTF

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Participating UN Organisation(s): UNAIDS	Priority Area: JV: Equitable & Affordable Health Services		
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Joint Vision Frogramme. 19	Estimated Start-Up Date: November 2011		
Project Title: Improving access to employment for young People Living with HIV (PLHIV)	Project Location: National		
Project Description: To improve access to employment among young People living with HIV (PLHIV) by establishing market linkages and strengthening their capacity towards agro-business and construction development, and livelihood activities	Total Project Cost: US\$196,353 SL- MDTF: US\$ Government Input: US\$0 Other: US\$0 GRAND TOTAL: US\$ 196,353		

Development Goal and Key Outcomes:

Development Goal: To accelerate the socio-economic and self-sufficiency of young people living with HIV by increasing access to employment opportunities

Key Outcomes: Greater and meaningful involvement of People living with HIV in their communities and the labour market

Deliverables:

25 young men and women Living with HIV trained in agro-business and construction development

The term "programme" is used for projects, programmes and joint programmes.

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Project Document

Executive Summary

The project will focus on increasing access to employment for young people living with HIV by establishing market linkages and strengthening their capacity towards agro-business and construction related skills. More specifically the training programme will cover a number of major skills including carpentry, plumbing, brick laying, etc as well as entrepreneurial competencies, marketing skills, promoting products and services, market surveys, financial skills, legal environment and the preparation of Business Plans.

Participants will also receive individualised one-on-one counselling with the counsellors to address the specific needs of each individual enterprise. After the training, each participant is expected to prepare an enterprise business plan. This would establish the right steps to access required financing, start a new business and also enhance growth.

Alternatively, the beneficiaries will be given seed funds to engage in livelihood or income generating activities

Situation Analysis

In Sierra Leone where it is estimated that there are over 50,000 People living with HIV considerable advances have been made regarding involvement and representation of PLHIV in the national response, most notably with the inauguration of NETHIPS (Network of HIV Positives in Sierra Leone) Secretariat by the First Lady of the Republic of Sierra Leone. NETHIPS is a legally registered umbrella organization representing over 40 PLHIV groups (5,000 members), with young people making up a considerable size of its membership.

One key issue frequently brought forward by NETHIPS and its members is the need for access to employment opportunities for people living with HIV to generate disposal income to support their specific needs and the needs of their family.

Access to employment is critical for all people in Sierra Leone contributing to poverty alleviation and overall economic growth. For people living with HIV it is particularly critical as the burden of HIV-related illness and death on family members leads to food insecurity, while the nutritional needs for immune-suppressed individuals are increased. Expenses for healthcare, food and transportation are large, while the ability to generate income and grow crops is small.

The issue of youth unemployment is especially critical amongst HIV positive youths, with many lacking the opportunity or skills to generate income. The National Strategic Plan on HIV 2011-2015 (NSP) identifies capacity building for PLHIV in income generating activities and the provision of appropriate and adequate business start-up packs as key interventions to address this challenge.

Strategies including lessons learned and the proposed programme

UNAIDS in collaboration with the National AIDS Secretariat and the Network of HIV Positives have considerable experience in empowering People living with HIV (PLHIV) through the provision of livelihood opportunities for PLHIV. Such experience and lessons learnt over the past 12 months will be critical for the implementation of this project.

Also UNIDO have a wealth of experience in supporting employment opportunities for young people; there is a bilateral understanding with UNIDO to link young people living with HIV to UNIDOs Growth Centres located in 5 Districts in Sierra Leone.

Results framework

Joint Vision Priority Areas	Equitable and Affordable Health Services				
Joint Vision Programme 6	HIV/AIDS				
Key Result Areas	Greater and meaningful involvement of People living with HIV in their communities and the labour market				
Key Output Targets	Specific Activity for DaO Funding				
1. To accelerate the socio-economic self-sufficiency of youth living with HIV by increasing access to employment opportunities					
Indicators a) 25 young men and women Living with HIV trained in agro-business and construction development b) No. of young people living with HIV	25 young people enrolled in training programme at Growth Centers in agro-business and construction development or engaged in livelihood activities				
accessing gainful employment upon completion of training c) No of young people engaged in livelihood activities					

Management and coordination arrangements

The project will be managed under the overall coordinating responsibility of the UNAIDS Country Office (UCO) in close collaboration with the National AIDS Secretariat, the Network of HIV Positives in Sierra Leone and UNIDO. Both the development and implementation of the project will be conducted by UNAIDS with support from the Joint UN Team on AIDS. Regular consultations will be organized by UNAIDS in collaboration with the National AIDS Secretariat and the Joint UN Team on AIDS.

Fund management arrangements

UNAIDS will receive the resources and will manage the disbursement to the implementing partners including the Network of HIV Positives and/or the service providers in the UNIDO Growth centres. UNAIDS will manage the project in accordance with the signed MOU of the SL-MPTF.

Monitoring, evaluation and reporting

UNAIDS will directly be responsible for the monitoring and oversight of project activities. The UNAIDS Country Office will give feedback, updates and progress in implementation during Joint Team meetings and regular reporting. UNAIDS will provide interim, progress in implementation and project completion report including financial reports. The UCO will compile the report and fit it into the appropriate reporting format of the MPTF Office.

Legal Context or Basis of Relationship

The Project falls with the broader 5 Priority Areas/ Benchmarks of the Joint Vision specifically 'Economic and Social Integration of Youths

Workplans and budgets

Activity	Geographic					
	coverage					
			2012			
		Jan-	Apr-	Jul-	Nov-	Budget
		Mar	June	Oct	Dec	(US\$)
Identification of 25 PLHIV trainees	National/District	X				
Training of 25 PLHIVs	National/District	X				60,000
Procurement and distribution of	National/District	X	X			87,507.48
25startup-packs						
Monitoring and follow-up of 25 trainees		X	X	X		36,000
Reporting			X	X	X	
Sub-total						183,507.48
Indirect costs						12,846
Grand Total						196,353

UNDG standard Budget

Line	Line description	Definition of figure to be		
#		reflected in		
		US\$		
1	Supplies, commodities, equipment and transport	87,507.48		
2	Personnel (staff, consultants, travel and training)	36,000		
3	Training of counterparts/beneficiaries	60,000		
4	Contracts	-		
5	Other Direct costs	-		
6	Subtotal	183,507.48		
7	Indirect Costs (7% of Direct Project Costs)	12,846		
	TOTAL	196,353		