

Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration Provincial and Local Governance Support Programme

Event Reporting Template

\Box Training | \Box Workshop | \boxtimes Meeting | \Box Orientation

(Check appropriate event type)

Name of Event: Annual Plan & Budgeting Interaction Program for ASIP Preparation of Province 1- PLGSP											
Date From: 08/05/2021	Date to: 08/05/2021										
<u>Venue</u>	Targeted organization										
Province: Province 1	 Provincial Government District Coordination Committee 										
District: Morang	□ Metro □ Sub-Merto										
Local Government: Biratnagar Metro	Municipality Rural Municipality										
Hotel Swagatam, Biratnagar	□ Ward □ Other										

Background:

The provincial and local governance support programme (PLGSP) is a national flagship programme of the Government of Nepal (GoN) and development partners (DPs) which aims to strengthen provincial and local governance systems and procedures; and intergovernmental relationships to maximize benefits of cooperative federalism. The ministry of federal affairs and general administration (MoFAGA) is the executing agency while the offices of the chief ministers and council of ministers (OCMCM) is the implementing agencies of the PLGSP. The primary focus of PLGSP is on the local governments given the principle of subsidiary as local governments are closest to the people and service delivery mechanisms that impact most peoples' lives on a daily basis.

PLGSP was formally approved and initiated in 2019, with recruitment for technical assistance

staff positions underway till early 2020. However, due to the global COVID-19 pandemic and the evolving situation in Nepal, including a nation-wide lockdown in place since 22 March 2020, recruitment processes and programme implementation has faced many challenges. GoN, development partners, and the technical assistance service providers are continuously engaged in regular dialogue to ensure that the future consequences for programme implementation are minimal, and that relevant contingency measures are adopted.

The Annual Review Meeting (ARM) was organized by PPIU unit under the leadership of OCMCM and took place at Hotel Eastern Star, Biratnagar. Staffs from PPIU, PCGG and OCMCM of province 1 were present. Apart from the provincial level participants from the federal ministries i.e MoFAGA /PCU unit representative were also present in the meeting. The ARM had the objective of assessing the progress being made in relation to the implementation of 2020-21FY and identify issues/challenges in the implementation of the program and discuss on the way forward for the program.

A keynote address and way forward were made by Chiranjivi Timsina (National Program Manager) & Gopi Krishna Khanal (National Program Director), and an closing key note remarks were made by Honorable Suman Raj Aryal (Chief Secretary-OCMCM) and Saroj Prasad Guragain (Secretary-OCMCM & Program Director PLGSP-P1).

The meeting session was moderated by PCGG Team Leader. The methodology used during the meeting include PPT Presentations followed by discussion among participants. This report aims to summarize the highlights of the meeting, discussions and recommended way forward points.

Considering & complying all the precautionary measures recommended by provincial government for COVID-19 pandemic, this event was conducted.

With the aim to share/review the PPIU & PCGG program implementation, issues/challenges faced during implementation of FY 2020-21 and also sharing and discussion of Annual Procurement Plan of PPIU & PCGG for the current FY 2021/22, it was deemed important to have an annual review meeting. Thus, a half day review meeting was organized by PPIU in coordination with OCMCM, Province 1 at Hotel Eastern Star with high level government officials from OCMCM, PLGSP/PCU & PLGSP-PPIU & PCGG Province 1 team.

Objectives

The major objective of the review programme was as follows:

- Review & share the progress status of PPIU & PCGG of FY 2020/21
- Presentation and discussion of Annual Procurement Plan of PPIU & PCGG for the current FY 2021/22
- Sharing good practices, issues, challenges and opportunities in PPIU & PCGG implementation
- Recommend way forward to expedite the implementation of P/ASIP 2021/22

Outputs Delivered:

- Half day's review and discussion successfully completed with over 25 government officials representing from OCMCM, PCU, PPIU & PCGG. to reflect and discuss on the PLGSP program progress towards achieving outcome completed in FY2020/21, issues & challenges & way forward recommendation.
- Clarity on different issues/challenges in implementation of program and its way forward recommendations to expedite future implementation
- Presented and discussed Annual Procurement Plan of PPIU & PCGG for the current FY 2021/22

Methodology (brief on process opening closing, presentation / discussions etc.).

The formal program was started with the warm welcome by PCGG-Province 1 Team Leader to all the

participants followed by chairing session of the chief guest OCMCM- Principal Secretary -Suman Aryal, Kishor Kumar Chaudhary (PG- Secretary), Gopi Krishna Khanal (NPD), Ganesh Timsina (PTC-Director), Saroj Guragain (PD), Chiranjibi Timsina (NPM), Dipak Dahal (PM)secretary and all PPIU & PCGG team.



The forum was then passed to Mr. Dipak Dahal (PM) who shared PPIU progress status of the FY 2020/21, Issues/challenges, some exemplary works and detail presentation and discussion of Annual Procurement Plan of PPIU for the current FY 2021/22. The PCGG progress status, issue/challenges and detail annual procurement plan of the current FY 2021/22 was presented by Ganesh Timsina (PTC director).

After presentation from both PPIU & PCGG – an overall review and planning meeting reflections along with the key progress of program, budget and future way forward recommendation to expediate the implementation of current FY 2021/22 PLGSP program was presented by Chiranjibi Timsina (NPM), followed by key remarks from Gopi Krishna Khanal (NPD), Suman Aryal (Principal Secretary) and closing remarks by Saroj Guragain (PD).

Some key remarks by Province principal secretary Mr. Sumanraj Aryal

"I am committed to PLGSP program as its work is mainly focused on improvement/progress of strengthening Province 1 governance system and it's my responsibility. I have given authority to the PD & PM of PLGSP Province 1 to implement all the activities in this Province".



- PPIU and PCGG has helped to enhance good governance system
- Province Government has already issued its program details of current FY 2078/79 and we also need/has included PLGSP in our program because it has high demand.
- Also, good governance basic things need to be addressed in province annual plan and activities.
- Federal "3S" principle i.e., Samambyaa, Sahakarya & Saha Astitwa (Cooperation, collaboration & coordination) need to be in place. Also, the three layers of government-Federal, Provincial & Local need to be effective following "3S" principle.
- We need to focus on Province 1 capacity development of LG and need to prioritize activities.
- Also, as the whole world is adapting digitalization of programs at their workplace, so at the
 province level also government has implemented digitalized system especially in financial
 system like implementation of MTEF, RIAP, SuTRA etc., but at provincial level we lack technical
 persons to operate /utilize such systems in their work.
- As in this meeting- federal government staff /PLGSP NPD & NPM are also present -I request to send at high level of technical staff to implement MTEF, RIAP, SuTRA etc., at LG & PG level and also to capacitate these staffs to operate it smoothly.

Note: Key Progress of PPIU, PCGG and Issues/challenges of FY 2020/21- please refer power point presentations of Annual review meeting Province 1 at Annex 4

Key recommendations as a way forward from delegates/high officials are as follows:

Overall, in both the unit's slow delivery / low expenditure in the FY 2020/21 was observed and hence to increase financial delivery following points were recommended:

- Development of deliverable acceleration plan, regular tracking and follow up.
- Preparation of procurement plan by TA team, follow-up by PPM/PPD/ED
- Timely preparation of procurement related documents
- Update M&E framework on at least trimester basis— sharing status on achieving the targes with PPM/PPD/ED status of the targets

To strengthen the coordination between PPIU and PCGG:

- Monthly review meeting at PPIU and PCGG (combined and separate meeting, team-wise). Also, monthly plans of the staff in line with PASIP and monthly work sheet on progress against agreed plan
- Prepare, review, update and track delivery acceleration plan by each implementation units (PPIUs and PCGGs) and report the progress to PCU. Provincial level joint calendar for activity implementation would be great.
- At least monthly coordination meeting between PPD, PPM, ED, and both team & also monthly meeting with TLs including PCU team.
- Assign focal person at PPIU and PCGG to track and follow up deliverables
- Sharing of joint action point/meeting note with PCU by PPIU.
- Inform PCU, and discuss with PPD/PPM/ED on any issues that might arise during implementation
- EDs to report to OCMCM on capacity building component of PLGSP at province level

To increase quality of training and other products:

- Outsourcing resource persons to conduct CD activities
- Increase monitoring to ensure the quality of the activities
- Mobilize resource person from other sectoral ministries/departments
- Update roster in CDMIS. Horizontal sharing among PPIU and PCGG of other provinces

To increase coordination with development partners:

- Mapping of development partners working in the areas of governance in the province to reduce the duplication in programme activities and resources in some provinces
- Clustering of development partners by working objectives
- Share planning and review calendar to share priorities and learnings
- Identify and strengthen the complementarity and synergies

To response COVID-19 Pandemic:

- Flexibility and adaptability of PLGSP program implementation is needed. Also prepare Contingency plan (Plan-B to PASIP)
- Closely monitor the context and follow-up the plans

Annex 1: Participants List

		Official Information of the Participants				Ar	ea		Sex		Social Inclusion								_
SN	Full Name of the Participant	FG/PG/LG	Staff/Elected representative (Participants)	Name of the Organizati on	Address	Hill	Terai	м	F	Others	<u>Dalit</u>	<u>Janajati</u>	<u>Madhesi</u>	<u>Muslim</u>	<u>BC</u>	<u>Others</u>	<u>Disability</u>	Total	Remarks
1	Suman Arayal	PG	Staff	осмсм	Province 1,Biratnagar	٧		٧							v			1	Participant
2	Gopi Khanal	FG	Staff	PCU	Kathmandu	٧		٧							v			1	Participant
3	Saroj Guragain	PG	Staff	осмсм	Province 1,Biratnagar	٧		٧							v			1	Participant
4	Chiranjivi Timsina	FG	Staff	PCU	Kathmandu	٧		٧							v			1	Participant
5	Ganesh Prasad Timalsina	LG	Staff	PCGG 1, Kalbalguri	Jhapa	٧		٧							٧			1	Participant
6	Hari Guragain	FG	Staff	PCU	Kathmandu	٧		٧							٧			1	Participant
7	Shambhu Kumar Shaha	PG	Staff	OCMCM	Province 1, Biratnagar		٧	٧					٧					1	Participant
8	Kiran Dhakal	PG	Staff	осмсм	Province 1, Biratnagar	٧		٧							٧			1	Participant
9	Pradip Ghimire	PG	Staff	OCMCM	Province 1, Biratnagar	٧		٧							v			1	Participant
10	Rajendra Parajuli	PG	Staff	OCMCM	Province 1, Biratnagar	٧		v							٧			1	Participant
11	Xhitij Bhattarai	PG	Staff	осмсм	Province 1,Biratnagar	٧		V							V			1	Participant
12	Paranay Sharma	PG	Staff	PLGSP, PPIU 1	Province 1, Biratnagar	٧		٧							٧			1	Participant
13	Yogya Prasad Rai	PG	Staff	ОСМСМ	Province 1, Biratnagar	٧		٧				v						1	Participant
14	Suresh Bhattari	LG	Staff	РТС	Province 1, Jhapa	٧		٧							٧			1	Participant
15	Dipak Dahal	PG	Staff	ОСМСМ	Province 1, Biratnagar	٧		٧							٧			1	Participant
16	Anita Guragain	LG	Staff	PLGSP, PCGG 1	Province 1, Jhapa	٧			٧						٧			1	Participant
17	Balaram Sharma	LG	Staff	PLGSP, PCGG 1	Province 1, Jhapa	٧		v							٧			1	Participant
18	Bidhya Gautam	LG	Staff	PLGSP, PCGG 1	Province 1, Jhapa	٧			٧						٧			1	Participant
19	Kala Adhikari	PG	Staff	PLGSP, PPIU 1	Province 2,Kathmandu	٧			٧						٧			1	Participant
20	Punam Chaudhary	PG	Staff	PLGSP, PPIU 1	Province 1, Biratnagar		٧		٧			٧						1	Participant
21	Jhabindra Thapa	LG	Staff	РТС	Province 1, Jhapa	٧		٧				٧						1	Participant

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22	Tshering Yodin Sherpa	LG	Staff	PLGSP, PCGG 1	Province 1, Jhapa	٧			٧			٧						1	Participant
23	Prem Prasad Acharaya	PG	Staff	осмсм	Province 1,Biratnagar	٧		V							٧			1	Participant
24	Khagendra Pokhrel	PG	Staff	OCMCM	Province 1, Biratnagar	V		٧							٧			1	Participant
25	Shova Rai	PG	Staff	PLGSP, PPIU 1	Province 1, Biratnagar	٧			٧			٧						1	Participant
26	Niraj Dahal	PG	Staff	PLGSP, PPIU 1	Province 1, Biratnagar	٧		٧							٧			1	Participant
27	Sumdibung Rai	LG	Staff	PLGSP, PCGG 1	Province 1,Jhapa	٧			٧			٧						1	Participant
28	Anup Lopchan	LG	Staff	PLGSP, PCGG 1	Province 1, Jhapa	٧		٧				٧						1	Participant
29	Tank Bastola	PG	Staff	PLGSP, PPIU 1, Office supporter	Province 1, Biratnagar	٧			٧						v			1	Participant

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विषय/प्रस्तावहरु

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- विविद

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Annex 4: Presentations (share link or attach/copy each presentation)

Link to the presentation here: https://bit.ly/ppiuprovince1



Figure 1Principal Sceretary, National Programe Director and Province Program Director at opening session



Figure 2Annual Progress presentation by PPM Dipak Dahal



Figure 3Presentation and Remarks from National Program Manager of PLGSP Chiranjibi Timsina





Figure 4Closing Remarks from Province Principal Sceretary Sumanraj Aryal