Nepal’s Experience

Session I: The New Monitoring: Roll-out at Country Level

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Roadmap for the Monitoring Exercise

A Snapshot of Monitoring Roll-Out

The Government of Nepal formally launched our participation in the 4th GPEDC monitoring process on 10 April 2023.

“Nepal’s participation in the monitoring exercise provides an opportunity for evidence-based discussion among all partners on key principles of effective development cooperation and allows for tracking Nepal’s progress so far. It also allows for benchmarking Nepal against other partner countries, using globally comparable common indicators, and for learning from other countries’ experiences in turn.”
Priority issues in Nepal for which the monitoring process will generate evidence:

- Enhancing On-Budget and On-Treasury Assistance Utilisation
- Strengthening our Civil Society Enabling Environment
- Navigating Nepal's Transition from LDC to MIC Status
- Optimising Technical Assistance for Strategic Impact
- Incorporating Private Sector Perspectives and Financing in National Development Initiatives through conducting Kampala Principles Assessment
- Establishing an Integrated National Financing Framework (INFF)

Monitoring exercise to strengthen national ownership

- Enhancing Aid Management Information System (AMIS):
- Leveraging Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue:
- Coordination with International Development Cooperation Policy Revision
- Informing Updates to Technical Assistance Report and Development Partner Profile Book
The GPEDC principles came up frequently during consultations with I/NGOs regarding revisions to our 2019 IDCP revision.

“The study is part of a comprehensive review of IDCP implementation to date and will serve as a basis for subsequent IDCP updates and improvements. The study is particularly timely as Nepal begins its participation in the 2023 Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC) monitoring round. The GPEDC monitoring process includes a country-level evaluation of the extent consultations with CSOs have informed government policies and the extent to which the promotion of an enabling environment for CSOs is an agenda item in development partners' policy dialogue with the government.”
Promoting joint actions with development partners for more effective development cooperation, informed by the monitoring results

- Shared Understanding of Results
- Joint Action Planning
- Regular Dialogue and Coordination
- Capacity Building
- Transparency and Accountability
- Learning and Adaptation
Stakeholders identified and engaged

• The Government of Nepal is actively engaging all in-country development partners.
• Major private sector entities and civil society representative bodies are also being targeted.
• Many of these relationships have been established and maintained since past monitoring rounds.
• The government, through IECCD, has close and trusted working relationships with development partners, facilitating their identification.
• Data from our Aid Management Information System (AMIS) has been utilized to identify major providers of grants and loans.
• This data ensures that key players are fully engaged in the monitoring process.

The multi-stakeholder kick-off meeting for monitoring conducted and garnered commitment to take action on monitoring results

• Kickoff meeting held on 10 April 2023.
• Announced INFF and IDCP review plans.
• Partners committed to GPEDC process.
• Identified focal points for stakeholders.
• Planning specific dialogues and sessions.
• Expecting active participation from partners.
Challenges & Next Steps
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Major challenges we have faced during the process so far

We've found no particular challenges so far. All partners, including the private sector and civil society, have demonstrated a keen interest in participating in the monitoring process and recognise its importance.

Possible challenges foreseen going forward

• Expect questions and clarification requests from civil society and the private sector regarding the new monitoring framework.
• Anticipate challenges in arranging multiple rounds of face-to-face dialogue due to time and budget pressures on the Ministry.
• Despite these challenges, we are committed to overcoming them and ensuring Nepal's active engagement in the process.

Possible support we may require during the exercise

• Plan to use the Joint Support Team for clarifying technical points and questions from partners.
• May invite the Joint Support Team to participate in GPEDC dialogues via Zoom.
• Aim to help partners understand the global context of GPEDC and that the monitoring process extends beyond Nepal.
Thank you.

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