

**Pillar Working Group (PWG) 3
Promoting Human Development Meeting**

Date: 24th May 2006

Venue: DACO Conference room

In attendance:

NAME	INSTITUTION	NAME	INSTITUTION
Dr. Edward Magbity	MoHS/Chairman	Joseph C. Kobba	NAS
H Nelson -Williams	MEST/Alternate chair	Geert Cappelaere	UNICEF
Kawusu Kebbay	DACO	Paul A. Sengeh	UNICEF
Rashid Sesay	DACO	Grainne O'Neill	Irish Aid
Prince Kamara	NaCSA	Morag Baird	DfID
Alfred Barlatt	SALWACO	Dauda A. Kamara	EU
Francis G. Kobie	SSL	Bockarie M. Conteh	EU
Reginald King	BES/MEST	Joseph T. Kanu	IMF
Dr. Moses Lahai	NAS		

Agenda

- Opening Remarks
- Review of the draft TOR for the Pillar Working Groups
- Mode of operations of the Working Groups
- Next Steps
- AOB

Summary of Proceedings: In his opening, the Chairman Dr. Magbity of the Ministry of Health and Sanitation thanked and welcomed everyone present to the meeting, which is the first meeting of the Pillar 3 Working Group: Promoting Human Development. He intimated that the focus of the meeting is firstly, to review the draft Terms of Reference prepared by DACO for the Pillar Working Groups and then to discuss and agree on the mode of operations of the Working Group, which will form the basis for the next steps to be undertaken in realizing the tasks set out in the terms of reference. He then asked participants to introduce themselves as to know each other by names.

Review of the Terms of Reference:

The role of the PWGs was stressed and these roles were divided into 3 categories on which the TOR is based. These are:

- Technical guidance on the implementation of the PRS
- Technical guidance on the data collection on the PRS
- Monitoring and evaluation of the PRS

There were many schools of thought concerning the TOR. It was then suggested that:

- The TOR be logically sequenced as to put tasks in the order in which they are to be done.
- Bullet 5 of the TOR should be expanded to include success stories
- To merge bullets 1 & 6 as was agreed in earlier pillar working group meetings but it was also argued that these are two separate tasks and should be separated. The final consensus was to keep them separate.
- DACO to collate all these concerns and do amendments after all the PWGs have met.

Mode of Operations of the Working Group

Given the diverse nature of the Pillar, the necessity for the formation of working groups to carry out sectoral functions under the TOR was stressed. The Group identified 4 key sectors emanating from the Pillar: Health, Education, Water and Sanitation and HIV/AIDS). In an effort not to create new structures, it was suggested that existing committees or working groups in the sectors be used. Where there are none in existence effort should be made to create one as previously reiterated by the other Pillar Working Groups. A mapping exercise was immediately conducted that revealed the following existing groups:

Health

Task Force for Infant, Child & Maternal Health: It's comprised of MOHS, UNICEF, WHO, WB, DfiD, EU, Ireland. It is chaired by the MOHS

HIV/AIDS

Partnership Forum on HIV/AIDS: This committee is chaired by Dr. Sheku Kamara.

Education

The Education Sector had none in existence but was suggested that the Fast Track Initiatives (FTI) in which UNICEF acts as the secretariat to incorporate these functions as they also cover educational issues.

WATSAN

WATSAN Coordination Group. This is comprised of DFID, JICA, EC, UNICEF, INGO representatives and WB Consultants. Chaired by Dr. Mohamed Swaray of the Ministry of Energy and Power.

Next Steps

It was suggested DACO should meet the Chairpersons of these groups (this week and report back to the PWGs) and discuss how best they can incorporate PWG TOR and also discuss frequency of meetings since the next DEPAC is due in the first week of July, so that documents can be prepared and circulated in ample time for the DEPAC.

AOB

Its was agreed that the next meeting will be conducted after a fortnight and DECSEC or Local Government which is a key stakeholder in all the pillars should be invited to subsequent PWG meetings.

Provisional Agenda for next meeting:

- 1 Opening**
- 2. Review of last meeting's minutes**
- 3. Review of final TOR for Pillar Working Group**
- 4. Update from DACO**
- 5. Next Steps**
- 6. AOB**