Workshop on multi-stakeholder partnerships for the SDGs implementation in Asia and the Pacific

Cambodia: Innovative Approaches for Developing Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships

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Overview

• Cambodia has sustained growth, averaging over 7 percent per annum

• As Cambodia is moving into Middle Income status, there is a change in both national and sector/thematic contexts for development cooperation
  – Mobilization of increased domestic resources
  – Transitioning of ODA to loan
  – Diverse external funding sources and partners
Overview

• More complex development challenges that require increased cross-sector collaboration

• Cambodian SDGs has appeared as one agenda in development planning process
  – SDG localization
  – Developing SDG frameworks
  – There is a need for integrating CSDGs into NSDP
Approaches to Build Consensus

• In order to ensure participation from relevant stakeholders, **TWG** was established in 2004
  – Clear guidelines on roles of functioning
  – Revised in 2016

• TWG brings together government, development partners and civil society representatives to support the attainment of national development goals set out in the RS, NSDP and associated sector.
Approaches to Build Consensus

• Government leads an inclusive development partnership with development actors, by working together while respecting diversity among partners

• Government and development partners are committed to build relationship based on trust and mutual respect guided by appropriate frameworks

• The NSDP and respective/thematic strategies guide resource allocation, programming dialogue and monitoring arrangements for all development actors
Approaches to Ensure Inclusiveness and Improving transparency, accountability and responsiveness

• TWG is to support the gov’t objectives through:
  – implementing sector reform,
  – mobilizing and coordinating all resources and
  – delivering development results

• **Term of references**, a program of work that is adapted to their current priorities and working modalities that are appropriate to their circumstances.
Approaches to Ensure Inclusiveness and Improving transparency, accountability and responsiveness

• Accountability, roles and responsibilities of TWGs
  – Alignment, coordination and resource mobilization/utilization
  – Policy dialogue
  – Cross-cutting issues
  – Capacity development and organizational strengthening
  – Information sharing
  – Monitoring and progress reviews
Approaches to Ensure Inclusiveness and Improving transparency, accountability and responsiveness

• Who are TWGs?
  – An RGC appoint chair
  – A development partner lead facilitator
  – The TWG secretariat
  – RGC representatives for all relevant ministries and agencies
  – Development partners active in the sector or thematic area
  – A staff member of CRDB/CDC
  – Focal points for generic and cross-cutting issues
  – Technical advisors of projects/program working with RGC structure
  – Civil society, NGO or private sector representatives
Overcoming Challenges

• Partnership Principles
  – Coordination mechanisms
  – Government ownership and leadership
  – Strengthening partnership in delivering results
  – Partnership frameworks such as cooperation and partnership strategy
  – The acknowledgment of actions, responsibilities and commitments
  – Guidelines on the effective use of technical cooperation
Thank you!