Involvement of CSO/NGO to pre-localization SDGs to Cambodia Sustainable Development Goals (CSDGs): Opportunity and Challenges

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Overview

1. Introduction to the NGO Forum
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Who are we?

- NGO Forum on Cambodia is a membership organization. Our mission is to build NGO cooperation and capacity, supporting NGO networks and other civil society organizations to engage in policy dialogue, debate and advocacy.

- We work to improve life for poor and vulnerable people in Cambodia. The goal of NGO Forum is that the rights of the poor and vulnerable are recognized and supported by the policies and practices of Cambodia’s government and development partners, and the wider community.

- 96 N/INGO as our members, 8NGO Networks Members + 5 national working groups = 450 NGOs
Progress of SDGs Pre-localization into Cambodian Context-Government side

- Ministry of Planning was delegated by the Royal Government of Cambodia to lead and coordinate the process of localizing global SDGs into Cambodia Context.
- Conducted an inter-ministerial kick-off meeting on SDGs localization in Nov 2015 to introduce and review the list of indicators for SDGs.

Source: Ministry of Planning-Cambodia
Progress of SDGs Pre-localization into Cambodian Context-Government side

- Conducted an inter-ministerial meeting on SDGs on 15 June 2016 to select indicators by sector, responsible agencies, data sources, and data cycle.
- Conducted an internal meeting in Aug 2016 among relevant officials in Ministry of Planning to discuss the SDGs indicators, responsible by MoP.
- Conducted inter-ministerial meeting on SDGs on 11-12 Aug 2016 (select of indicators, indicator’s definition, method to calculate value of indicators, baseline, and quantitative target of each indicator) by 5P (People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace and Partnership) for Cluster P1.

Source: Ministry of Planning-Cambodia
Progress of SDGs Pre-localization into Cambodian Context-Government side

- Conducted an inter-ministerial meeting on SDGs on 4-5 October 2016 (Select of indicators, indicator’s definition, method to calculate value of indicator, baseline, and quantitative of targets of each indicator) in Cluster P2.

- Conducted an inter-ministerial meeting on SDGs in October 2016 (Select of indicators, indicator’s definition, method to calculate value of indicator, baseline, and quantitative of targets of each indicator) in Cluster P3.

Source: Ministry of Planning-Cambodia
Progress of SDGs Pre-localization into Cambodian Context-Government side

- Conducted an inter-ministerial meeting on SDGs on 17-18 October 2016 (Select of indicators, indicator’s definition, method to calculate value of indicator, baseline, and quantitative of targets of each indicator) in Cluster P4&5.

Source: Ministry of Planning-Cambodia
Challenges-Government side

- Limited capacity of the officials in line ministries and agencies on defining indicators and calculating the baseline and target by year for their ministry or agency’s indicators.

- Availability of data for assessing the progress/achievement of some indicators

- Input from Line Ministries, Line Agencies still delay again and again.

Source: Ministry of Planning-Cambodia
Way Forward-governement side

- Conduct two an inter-ministerial meetings (technical and high level meeting) to discuss the draft of CSDGs Framework in 2017.
- Submit CSDGs framework to the Council of Ministers to get approval.
- Publish and dissemination of CSDG framework at National and Sub-national level.
- Integrate CSDGs into National Strategic Development Plan (NSDP) and sectoral level.
- Develop M&E Framework to measure the achievement of CSDGs and NSDP implementation.

Source: Ministry of Planning-Cambodia
Involvement of CSO/NGO in the process of localization SDGs.

- Raising Awareness on SDGs to CSO/NGO, student and public through meeting, forum and workshop in Nov and Dec 2015 (3 forum conducted).
- Conducted three national consultation workshops with CSO/NGO for collecting inputs and their perspectives on SDGs localization in 2016.
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- Conducted meetings with CSO/NGO leaders for reviewing the inputs collected in 2016.
- Present the resulted of CSO/NGO perspectives on CSDGs to government, donor and development partner through technical workshop groups (PPR, Forestry, Fishery, Land etc).
- Finalized inputs and recommendation from CSO/NGO submitted to Ministry of Planning, asked them for integrate those recommendations into final version make by MoP.
Opportunities

- CSO/NGO inputs and recommendation are well recognized by government and MoP for integrate into the draft of CSDGs.
- CSO/NGO understood the whole process of pre-localization SDGs to CSDGs and they can engage with government and development partner in the next steps.
- CSO/NGO, government and private sector can work together on full CSDGs localization in the next step.
Challenges

- Different views on SDGs due to lack of translation documents in Khmer language.
- Capacity of CSO/NGOs on indicators of SGD.
- Limitation of consultations at nation wide due to limited resources.
- Lack of technical support from development partners.
- Government and line ministries not fully recognized and take all CSO/NGO inputs/recommendation to integrate into official draft of CSDGs.
Way Forward

- CSO/NGO working with line ministry to approach sector by sector.
- Continue discussion on the draft of CSDG in some Technical Working Groups
- Do more CSO/NGO consultation workshops on the draft of CSD.
- Conduct official meeting between CSO/NGO and MoP and technical working groups for discussion on the inputs of CSO/NGO.
- Raising awareness on CSDG to public (CSO/NGO, student and other relevant stakeholder.
- Close working with government and development partner for monitoring on the implementation of CSDG.
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