

PRSP Implementation Forum - Implementing PRSP: Agenda for the next three years

Session IV Good Governance

Longer Term PRSP Target/Link	Targets to be achieved by October 2006	Place a Check Next to Points to be Developed	Lead LCG Development Partner (Name & email address)
<p><i>1. Promoting Local Governance:</i></p> <p>Decentralization and improved local governance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formulate a long-term strategy to promote greater decentralization and review the policy framework to reduce inconsistencies and more clearly define roles • Fiscal decentralization initiated, increasing the financial authority of UPs and other local governments to raise and keep taxes, fees • Gradually increase decision-making authority of UPs for utilization of block grants • Promote accountability and transparency of the public resources used at the local level through greater employment of standing committees • Strengthen the UPs and other local governments administrative capacities by allocating them more and better trained staff 	<p>ü</p> <p><i>As a third option if time permits</i></p>	<p>Asif Munier, National Programme Officer, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) asif.munier@sdc.net & tonmoyam@yahoo.com Tel. +8802 - 881 23 92 – 94, 8814099, ext. 302 & 0173-033261</p> <p>Corinne Huser, Deputy Country Director, SDC Corinne.huser@sdc.net</p>
<p><i>2. Tackling Corruption:</i></p> <p>Functional oversight mechanism and measures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-Corruption Commission becomes fully functional and staffed • Develop reasonable, independent measures of good governance, establish baselines and a monitoring system for Governmental and DP use such that baseline data can be used at PIFM 2007 • Follow-up and full implementation of procurement reform 	<p>ü</p>	<p>Kristian Jervell First secretary, Royal Norwegian Embassy tel: + 880 2 882 3065 kristian.jervell@mfa.no</p> <p>Angele Van der Heijden Netherlands Embassy, tel: 882-2715-18 am-vander.heijden@minbuza.nl</p>
<p><i>3. Criminal Justice Reform and Enhancing Accessible and Affordable Justice for</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop an action plan that meets the criteria established by the Supreme Court • Define administrative functions currently 	<p>ü</p>	<p>Angele Van der Heijden Netherlands Embassy, tel: 882-2715-18</p>

<p><i>the Poor</i></p> <p>Separation of the Lower Courts from the Executive Branch & Judicial Reform</p>	<p>performed by the Executive that should be managed by the Judiciary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outline and clarify the Judiciary related positions that transfer from the Executive and the conditions of those transfers • Develop and begin to carry out a training plan in accordance with new roles and responsibilities 		<p>am-vander.heijden@minbuza.nl</p>
<p><i>4. Criminal Justice Reform and Enhancing Accessible and Affordable Justice for the Poor</i></p> <p>Respect for Human Rights & Enhanced Rule of Law</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and enact legislation to create a National Human Rights Commission • Improve access to justice by establishing a National Human Rights Commission in accordance with UN standards and provide initial training for staff • Strengthen routine oversight and inspection functions of police, including reducing non-essential work-load functions (e.g. protocol, VIP and other special duties) • Full implementation of the Chittagong Hill Tracts Peace Accord 		
<p><i>5. Improving Implementation Capacity</i></p> <p>Stronger, more transparent public administration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance the performance of the ADP by categorizing all projects according to approval, funding and performance status and removing under funded and unapproved projects from the plan • Establish overall as well as sector specific targets for ADP project completion. Develop and apply sanctions against projects with persistently poor progress rates • Strengthen the capacity of public training institutes through curriculum reviews and updates and training-of-trainer initiatives • Pursue ongoing institutional, procedural and legal reforms required to ensure the independence of the Bangladesh Election Commission 		