PROGRESS REPORT OF THE JOINT TECHNICAL WORKING GROUPS
For the Period: January 2006 - September 2006

*This questionnaire on progress made by each Joint Technical Working Group is requested by the Secretariat of the Government-Donor Coordination Committee (GDCC). It should be completed and submitted to the Secretariat of the GDCC before **20 September 2006**. It will be used to prepare a summary progress report for the eight GDCC Meeting scheduled to be held on 05 October 2006. Please return the completed questionnaire to Mr. Chhieng Yanara at CDC/CRDB in soft copy through yanara@camnet.com.kh. and in hard copies.*

TWG: PARTNERSHIP AND HARMONIZATION

A. PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING TWG'S ACTION PLANS

1. Please list below activities in the Action Plans that were scheduled to be implemented during the last nine months (January to September 2006) and provide an update on implementation status of these activities.

Scheduled Activities	Implementation Status			
	On Schedule	Behind Schedule	If behind schedule, reasons for delay	TWG Recommendations for GDCC Consideration, if any
Establish a mechanism to coordinate and facilitate the implementation of the RGC's H-A-R Action Plan 2006-2010.	Following the P&H TWG meeting on 31 May 2006, a small group was established to consider specific arrangements for the establishment of the mechanism to coordinate, facilitate and monitor the implementation of the H-A-R Action Plan. It has been agreed that the monitoring of the H-A-R Action Plan will be based on existing mechanisms and structures. No new mechanism will be established that may impose a burden for either RGC or development partners. Practices of TWGs sending their progress reports to the GDCC secretariat for consolidation are well established. In these TWGs progress reports, TWGs have been asked to provide information on progress made in the implementation of their Action Plans, JMIs, H-A-R Action Plan, and resources requirements. On this basis, progress reports on the			

	implementation of the H-A-R Action Plan will be prepared using information contained in the TWGs progress report, and complemented by other sources such as the OECD-DAC survey and the ODA Database			
RGC and development partners jointly assess progress, on an annual basis, in implementing RGC's H-A-R Action Plan (E.a.1)	The Cambodia Country Worksheet is being finalized as part of the 2006 OECD/DAC survey on the implementation of the Paris Declaration. Findings from the survey will provide a baseline from which a review of the H-A-R Action Plan, and its monitoring, can be undertaken.			
Development partners review their country assistance strategies and policies to align their assistance with NSDP priorities and sector development plans (B.1.a.1)	The country assistance strategies of development partners who have held consultations with CRDB/CDC are broadly in line with NSDP priorities. However, the status of assistance for those development partners who do not engage in consultations with CRDB/CDC is not known. Over time, TWGs are increasingly expected to support this alignment role so that support from development partners in each sector is aligned with NSDP priorities and national systems. CRDB/CDC will support the alignment of ODA at an aggregate level during the negotiation of country strategies.			
CDC/CRDB with support from development partners carries out a survey on number of existing PIU/PMUs, and develop a strategy to integrate parallel PIU/PMUs in the government structure (B.2.d.1)	The Cambodia Country Worksheet is being finalized as part of the OECD/DAC survey on monitoring the implementation of the Paris Declaration. Once finalized, it will provide a baseline of the number of existing PIU/PMUs, including the parallel onesand recommendations to integrate these parallel PIU/PMUs will be considered.			
CDC/CRDB and development partners secure an agreement that no new parallel PIU/PMUs will be established under new programs and projects (B.2.d.3)	A commitment that no new parallel PIU/PMUs will be established under new programs/projects has been incorporated into the draft Declaration between RGC and development partners to enhance aid effectiveness. The signing of the Declaration was scheduled in June but has been			

	postponed to provide opportunity for participation from all development partners.			
CRDB/CDC with support from development partners carries out a survey to collect information on the proportion of aid delivered through "untied-aid" modality and based on survey findings, formulate and implement a strategy, jointly with development partners, to increase the proportion of untied ODA (B.4.a.1)	It is proposed that this activity be monitored with reference to the work of the OECD-DAC and through recording tied aid in the project records of the CRDB ODA Database.			
RGC and development partners jointly carry out a review of the effectiveness of the TWG mechanism (E.a.2)	The review of the GDCC-TWG mechanism was conducted during April-June, and a draft report was discussed during a meeting of the Chairs of allTWGs. The revised draft was circulated to development partners for comments. The draft was further revised incorporating these comments and will be discussed by an ad hoc working group composed of RGC senior officials and development partners that has been formed to review RGC's proposal for restructuring the CG/CDCF process. Based on the results of the review, a set of "broad guidelines" for the functioning of the TWG-GDCC mechanism will be prepared.			

2. Are there any other issues affecting the implementation of TWG Action Plan that it would like to submit for GDCC's consideration? NO

B. Progress on Joint Monitoring Indicators

3. If there are any Joint Monitoring Indicator(s) agreed at the 8th CG Meeting held in March 2006 that fall within the mandate of *this* TWG, please list the JMIs below and indicate progress that has been made toward achieving the JMI targets.

Joint Monitoring Indicator	Timeframe	What is the current implementation status?	What are the constraints that you are experiencing, if any?	What recommendations do you have, for GDCC consideration to resolve the identified constraints?
i. Implement the RGC's Strategic Framework for Development Cooperation Management (SFDCM).	On-going	The was approved by RGC on 27 January 2006 and is is being implemented by CRDB/CDCwith support from a Multi Donor Support Program for Aid Coordination.		
ii. Prepare progress report on a six month basis the implementation of RGC's Action Plan on Harmonization, Alignment and Results.		The Action Plan on Harmonization, Alignment and Managing for Results (H-A-R) based on the Paris Declaration was approved by RGC on 14 February 2006 after extensive consultation with donors and line		

		ministries. The mechanism to coordinate and facilitate the implementation of the H-A-R Action Plan was discussed at the P&H TWG meeting on 31 May 2006. The meeting agreed to establisha small group to consider the specific arrangements for the establishment of the mechanism to coordinate, facilitate and monitor the implementation of the H-A-R Action Plan. While the monitoring mechanism is still to be finalised, it will be based on the routine reporting of the TWGs to the GDCC Secretariat. No new mechanism will be established. Practices of TWGs sending their progress reports to the GDCC secretariat for consolidation are well established. In these TWGs progress reports, TWGs have been asked to provide information on progress made in the implementation of their Action Plans, JMIs, H-A-R Action Plan, and resources requirements. On this basis, progress reports on the implementation of the H-A-R Action Plan will be prepared using information contained in the TWGs progress report, and complemented by other sources such as the OECD-DAC survey and the ODA Database		
iii. Review and strengthen aid coordination mechanisms including CG, GDCC and TWGs.		The Review was carried out during April-June 2006. The draft Review was discussed in a meeting of Chairs of all TWGs on 24 July 2006. The revised draft was sent to development partners for comments and a set of "broad guidelines" will be prepared based on the finalised Review.		

C. Implementation Status of the Action Plan on Harmonization, Alignment and Results

4. What actions have you taken to implement the Harmonization, Alignment, and Results Action Plan? What are the constraints that you are experiencing, if any? What recommendations do you have, for GDCC consideration to resolve the identified constraints?

Relevant section and sub-section of the H-A-R Action Plan	Action Taken	Update
Establish a mechanism to coordinate and facilitate the implementation of the RGC's Action Plan on Harmonization, alignment and Results.	Following the P&H TWG meeting on 31 May 2006, a small group was set up to consider the specific arrangements for the establishment of the mechanism to coordinate, facilitate and monitor the implementation of the H-A-R Action Plan. While the mechanism is still to be finalised, the monitoring of the H-A-R Action Plan will be informed by existing mechanisms and structures. No new mechanism will be established that may impose a burden for either RGC or development partners.	Practices of TWGs sending their progress report to GDCC secretariat for consolidation to be submitted to the GDCC meetings are well established. In these TWGs progress reports, TWGs have been asked to provide information on progress made in the implementation their Action Plans, JMIs, H-A-R Action Plan, and resources requirements. On this basis, progress reports on the implementation of the H-A-R Action Plan will be prepared using information contained in the TWGs progress report, and complemented by other sources such as the OECD-DAC survey and the ODA Database

D. Resource Mobilization

5. Has the TWG been able to mobilize the resources to implement its Action Plan for 2006?

✓ yes ☐ no

If no, please answer the following questions:

- What is the total amount of resources the TWG had estimated to implement its Action Plan for 2006? (in USD)
- What is the minimum additional amount that the TWG needs to implement its Action Plan? (in USD)
- Which development partners do you think would be able to provide the required resources?

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