Launch of mobile web app for Global Fund programme capacity development

UNDP has launched a mobile web app aimed at supporting capacity development for the management of grants from the Global Fund. The mobile app gives access to the Capacity Development Toolkit for HIV/AIDS, TB & Malaria Responses containing practical guidance on developing capacities in a Global Fund context. The toolkit looks at specific capacities that include risk management, supply management, procurement and logistics, financial management and more. Try out the mobile platform here.

Over the last decade, the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM) has raised over $20 billion to co-finance prevention, treatment and care in over 150 countries. The Global Fund has partnered with UNDP to work on three specific objectives: To support programme implementation when countries cannot implement on their own; to strengthen national capacity to take over programme management or improve their performance; and to strengthen the policy and programme quality of Global Fund-related efforts, both at country and global levels.

In this relationship, capacity development is a key enabling factor that will help UNDP meet all three objectives. The capacity development efforts are concentrated on transitioning to full national ownership and implementation of Global Fund programmes and to strengthen the performance and sustainability of these programmes. To facilitate that process the CD Toolkit for HIV/AIDS, TB & Malaria Responses was developed. Now the access to that same guidance is expanded through the launch of the mobile web app.

The mobile web app is a product of the collaboration between UNDP’s HIV and Health Development Group and Knowledge, Innovation and Capacity Group. It was made possible through generous support from the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID). Click here to take a look!

Engaging procurement stakeholders

In 2013, PCDC is looking forward to strengthen the guidance on how to engage stakeholders more meaningfully on public procurement. As a cornerstone of the modern public sector, how governments buy goods and services has a huge impact on society. Globally, public procurement stands for 19% of world GDP and hence the policy implications are huge.

For example, public procurement can be deployed to support the development of SME’s, to drive green production technology or to nurture domestic industries, to name but a few. This means that while cost is important, it is not the only driver behind procurement decisions and the way procurement is done has policy implications. Therefore, there is a strong need to include stakeholders in a dialogue around how public procurement should be done.

Stakeholders should be engaged from both the public and private sectors as well as from civil society. By involving a
wide set of stakeholders in dialogue, government enhances the opportunities for getting procurement policies and procedures right. To read more about this topic, please check out this blog.

During the year, PCDC will add further guidance and tools to the on stakeholder engagement section in the Procurement Capacity Development Guide.

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