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DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT MODEL

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR PARTNERS PARTICIPATING IN THE DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT PLANNING FORUM (DDPF)

1. Background:

The District Development Model (DDM) is a collaborative approach that brings together various stakeholders to promote integrated and coordinated development at the district level. As partners in the DDM, it is essential to adhere to the following terms of reference to ensure effective and efficient collaboration.

2. Objectives:

The primary objectives of the DDM partnership are as follows:

- a. **Foster Collaboration:** Collaborate with other partners to promote integrated development planning, implementation, and monitoring at the district level.
- b. **Align Resources:** Align resources, expertise, and efforts to maximize impact and achieve shared development goals within the district.
- c. **Enhance Coordination:** Improve coordination and communication among partners to avoid duplication of efforts and promote synergies.
- d. **Support Local Priorities:** Contribute to the identification, prioritization, and implementation of local development priorities within the district.

3. Roles and Responsibilities:

As a partner in the DDM, the following roles and responsibilities are expected:

- a. **Active Participation:** Actively participate in DDM meetings, working groups, and initiatives to contribute to the development and implementation of district-level plans and strategies.
- b. **Resource Mobilization:** Mobilize resources, including financial, technical, and human resources, to support the implementation of priority projects and programs identified through the DDM process.
- c. **Data Sharing:** Share relevant data, information, and knowledge to facilitate evidence-based decision-making and planning within the district.

d. Collaboration and Cooperation: Collaborate and cooperate with other partners, government agencies, local authorities, and community stakeholders to ensure integrated and coordinated development efforts.

e. Monitoring and Evaluation: Participate in monitoring and evaluation activities to assess the progress and impact of DDM initiatives and provide feedback for continuous improvement.

f. Reporting: Provide regular updates, reports, and feedback on the progress of projects and programs implemented under the DDM framework.

g. Accountability: Partners need to be accountable to each other in terms of participation, attendance at DDPF meetings and providing inputs to the DDM framework.

4. Confidentiality and Data Protection:

Partners are expected to adhere to strict confidentiality and data protection protocols. Any sensitive or confidential information shared during the DDM process should be handled with utmost care and used solely for the purpose of district development planning and implementation.

5. Decision-Making Process:

The decision-making process within the DDM partnership should be inclusive, transparent, and consensus-based. Partners are encouraged to engage in constructive dialogue and actively contribute to the decision-making process to ensure collective ownership and accountability.

6. Duration and Review:

These terms of reference are applicable for the duration of the partnership within the DDM framework. They will be subject to periodic review [5 yearsr??] to accommodate changing circumstances, emerging priorities, and evolving partnership dynamics.

By accepting these terms of reference, partners demonstrate their commitment to the principles of collaboration, coordination, and integrated development within the District Development Model.

Together, we can work towards the sustainable development and prosperity of the district, benefiting all its residents and stakeholders.