Strengthening Media and CSOs in Transparency Advocacy Project

UNDAF Outcome

Enhanced transparency & accountability of public institutions and participation of all constituencies in systematic national and local decision-making within the scope of international treaties-mainly UNCAC-ratified by the Republic of Yemen.

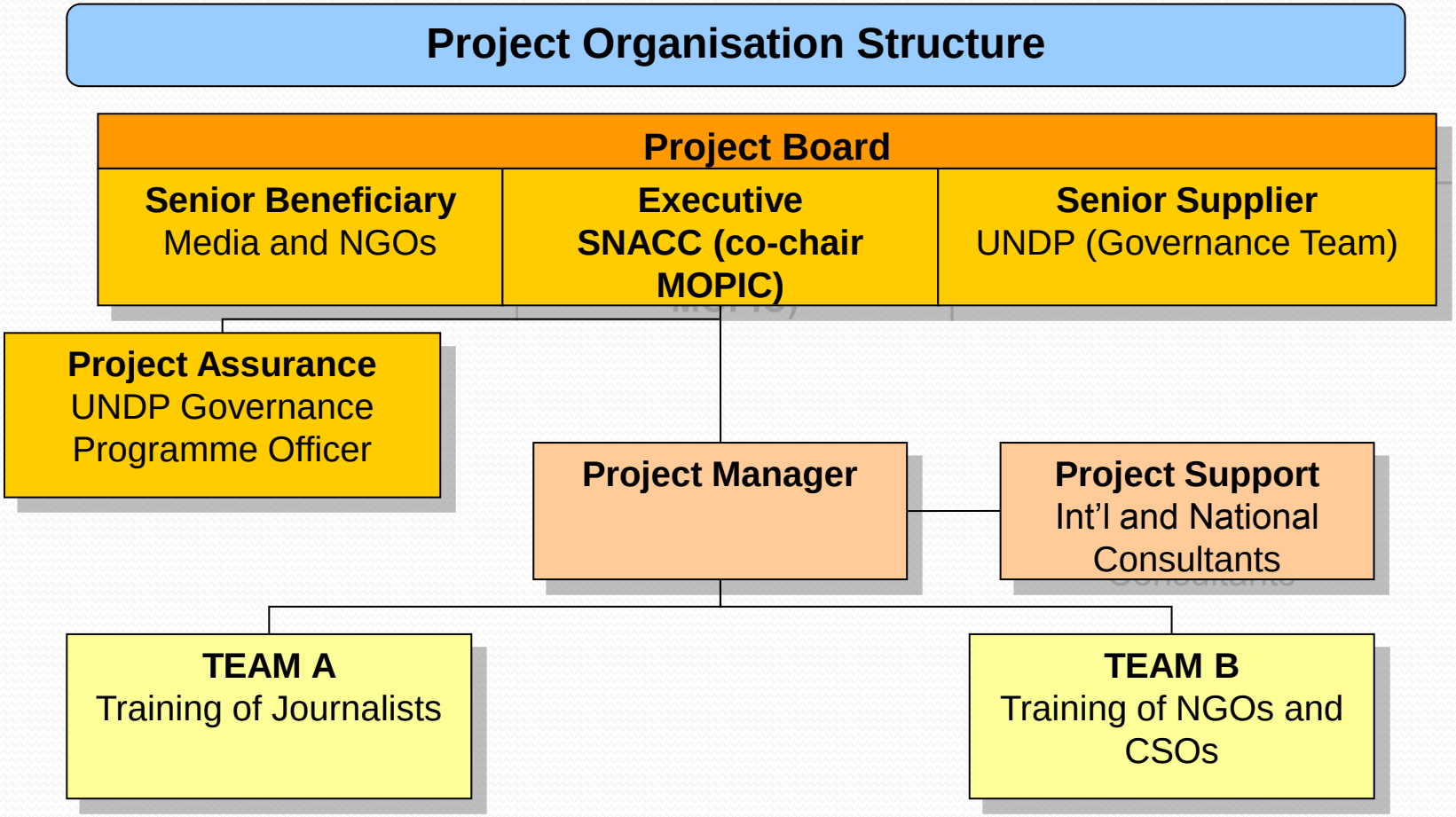
CPAP Output

Enhanced national capacities to demand and deliver transparency and accountability in public resources management and utilisation.

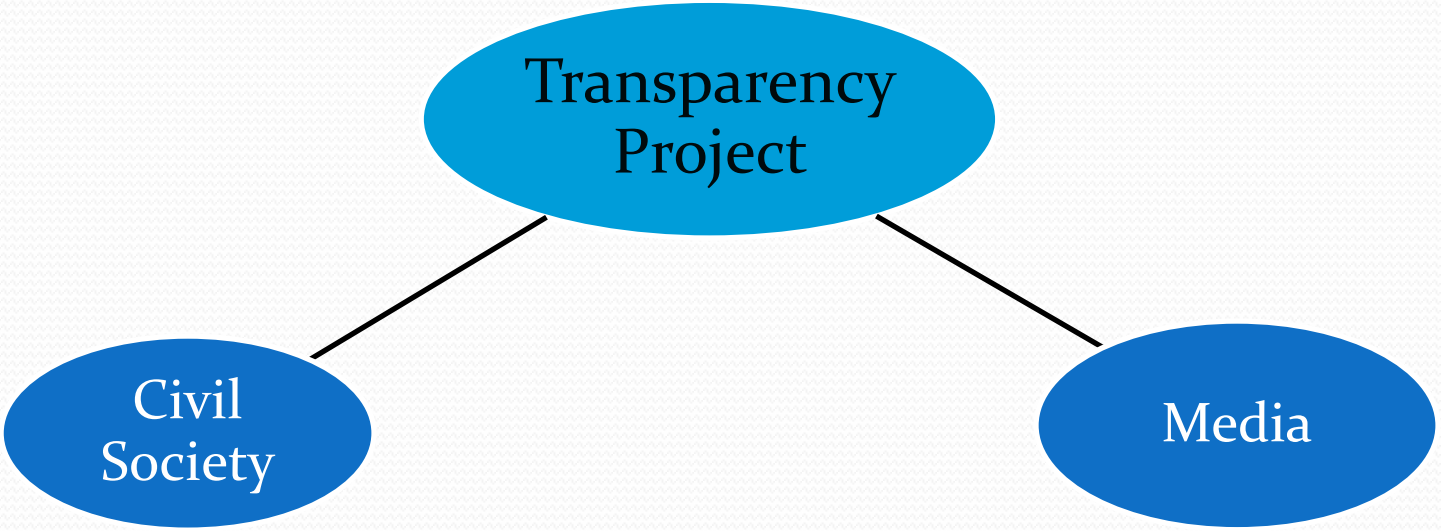
Counterparts

- Supreme National Authority to Combat Corruption (SNACC)
- Ministry Of Planning and International Cooperation
- Ministry of Information
- A number of effective CSOs
- Elected Local Councils

Roles and Organogram



Project Components



Target Groups:

1 - Print and audiovisual Media

2 - CSOs and Elected Local Councils

Project Objectives

First Component:

- Capacity strengthening, networking, and elevation of standards of journalists. 56 print and web media, 12 audio (2 each Gov). 7 Governorates selected for this phase.

Second Component:

- Training in public resources monitoring techniques and awareness raising among CSOs, local councils and executive officials and media in nine governorates on the concept of access to information. 11 pilot Gov targeted

Project Beneficiaries

	Media & Journalism Training	CSOs & Local Councils	Total	Remarks
Males	224	288	512	Training conducted for 24 districts in 12 Governorates
Females	155	137	292	
Total	379	425	**804**	

Lessons Learnt/Recommendations

- Important to identify roles of each project partner at the beginning to avoid misunderstandings.
- Beneficiaries should be selected based on clear criteria to ensure smooth implementation of project activities and to avoid disagreements.
- Efficient mechanisms for project revisions are needed to address unexpected circumstances.

Lessons Learnt/Recommendations

- Coordination and cooperation with all relevant institutions at country level is essential.
- More flexible UNDP rules could help soften and speed up procedures, especially in procurement and human resources.
- Essential to reach remote areas, go beyond the capital. Governorates and districts can do excellently with little support.

Cost Effectiveness

Almost all resources were used for development activities:

Administrative expenses and running costs about **6% of the total budget**

Current Situation/Challenges

- Social unrest affects CSOs and media, thus also project interventions.
- Important to balance UNDP's mandate with its response in crisis situations
- Need to prepare for possible change: How to focus on CSOs and media while coordinating with Government?

Thank You!

Questions?

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