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Local Resource Centre



PARTNERSHIP FOR TRANSPARENCY FUND e.V.
supporting citizens against corruption



Promoting Equitable and Accountable Civic Engagement (PEACE) project in Myanmar

A Brief Introduction



HUMANITARIAN AND ACCOUNTABILITY TRAINING



GOOD GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY TRAINING



Youth activities in Mandalay



Consumer Education Training in Bagan for Mandalay Consumer Rights Platform Group

Presented by

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PTFeV

Summary Overview

Objectives of the project

Overall objective: To contribute to local Civil Society Organization's participation and influence in the planning, implementation and review of development projects, services delivery and policies at national and sub-national levels for more inclusive and equitable development in Myanmar.

Specific objective: Enhance resources and strengthen capacities of local CSOs' for an empowered and accountable civil society in Myanmar that embraces diversity, promotes social inclusiveness, accountability, transparency and civic responsibility.

Primary stakeholders

Umbrella networks, CSOs working in development or humanitarian relief, and public/private service providers including local authorities, parliamentarians, academia, media – at least 1000 local CSO organizations and approximately 9000 individuals from different sectors and institutions at national and regional levels. Ultimately, citizen groups and recipients of public/private services in urban and rural areas; of which overall 50% are women and at least 25% are disadvantaged; overall 45,000 final beneficiaries.

Summary Overview

Estimated results

Result 1. The Local Resource Centre (LRC), a local CSO umbrella network is strengthened as an accountable, inclusive and professional service provider and coordination structure and networking enhanced among its peer networks and approximately 1000 local CSO member organizations.

Result 2. Approximately 1000 local CSOs supported in strategic initiatives promoting community engagement and responsive local governance.

Result 3. 500 local CSOs are equipped and capacitated to participate in multi-stakeholder platforms, development projects and decision making with local authorities and public/private service providers for influencing policies and plans at national and sub-national levels.

Location, duration and budget

LRC Yangon and Centres outreach areas in Mandalay, Lashio, Mawlamyine including parts of Kayin and Tanintharyi. The project is supported by the European Union, for 48 months starting in August 2016 with an overall budget of 2M Euro (1.5 M Euro from EU)

About the Consortium Partners

HELVETAS Myanmar is an international non-governmental organisation that is committed to improving the living conditions of disadvantaged people in developing countries. Our vision *is a just world in which all men and women determine the course of their lives in dignity and security, using environmental resources in a sustainable manner*, in the areas of skills development and education, governance and peace, rural economy, water and infrastructure, environment and climate change, prioritizing gender and social equity, capacity building and partnership, and knowledge and advocacy.



Local Resource Center (LRC) is a national civil society organization and umbrella network with an aim to enhance resources and strengthen capacities of local CSOs' for an empowered and accountable civil society in Myanmar that embraces diversity, promotes social inclusiveness, accountability, transparency and civic responsibility.



Partnership for Transparency Fund (PTFe.V.) is an independent civil society organization with a mission to promote good governance and constructive citizen engagement where CSOs can forge alliances with public sector institutions and officials and thus help, among other, to reduce corruption which often affects people at the lowest income levels. The aim is therefore *to contribute to improved quality of life for citizens through effective service delivery and poverty reduction*.



Intervention Strategy

1. In order to achieve Result 1, favouring on the job learning by doing coaching approaches, HELVETAS and PTFe.V. in their respective areas of competence will support the LRC to:

- Review services and types of capacity building training offered to date by the LRC, and assess current and trending needs of local CSO members in all 6 LRC locations.
- Per results and joint action plan agreements, HELVETAS and PTFe.V. will support training, and follow up coaching to LRC teams and staff in identified organizational and programmatic priority areas.

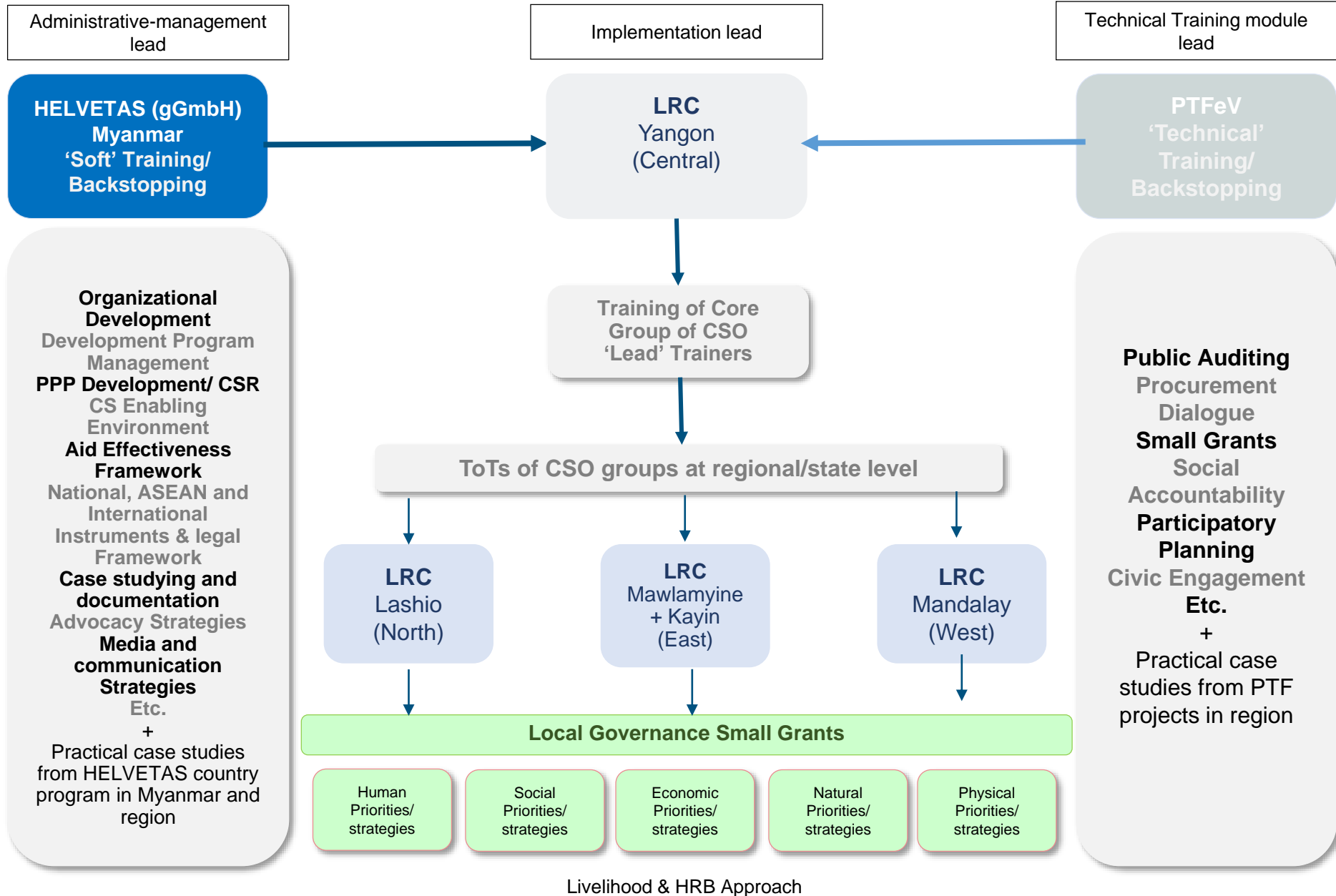
2. With the LRC better capacitated and backstopped, in order to achieve Result 2, HELVETAS and PTFe.V. will support the LRC to:

- Train at least 50 core trainers at LRC national Yangon level (members and non-members of the LRC), who will then be coached in training of trainers of at least 250 sub-national trainees for each of the LRC's 5 regional Centers. Criteria for trainers including gender and ethnic inclusion will be jointly elaborated in addition to assessments which will inform the types and levels of capacity building and subsequent coaching required from HELVETAS and PTFe.V. respectively.
- Support local CSOs to document and analyse their results, case study their good practices and lessons learnt, and to capitalize on their achievements and impacts in promoting local governance and civic engagement in their respective sectors and priority areas.

3. With local CSOs equipped with skills, concrete results and evidenced based documentation of their actions, in order to achieve Result 3,

- the LRC, its pool of trainers and grantees will be supported by HELVETAS and PTFe.V. to lead coordinated networking, constructive advocacy, and multi-stakeholder policy dialogue at national and sub-regional levels.

Intervention Strategy



Working Approaches

Four activity clusters. These are;

- i) **Core Support**, policy backstopping, research, monitoring and evaluation, and project administration which is a cross-cutting set of activities;
- i) ii) **Technical capacity building for LRC**, its staff and most particularly the new core trainers and grant-managers it will hire,
- i) iii) **Capacity building for local CSOs**, and
- i) iv) **Support to CSOs' participation** which is cross-cutting, and will involve the major network building, engagement and advocacy with local and regional government, and national level advocacy on the OGP.

- Capacity building, ToT and mentoring/coaching
- Enhancing and valuing local resources
- Peer-led
- Inclusion and meaningful participation
- Constructive multi-stakeholder engagement at local and national levels
- Organizational development for CS
- Institutional strengthening of duty bearers
- Public private partnership building
- Do no harm
- Enhancing access to information, resources and services
- Equitable and sustainable development

The Work Plan – Year 1

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| Year 1 |
| Result 1: The LRC, a local CSO umbrella network is strengthened as an accountable, inclusive and professional service provider and coordination structure among its peer networks and approximately 1000 local CSO member organizations. |
| Inception Phase and Workshop |
| Recruitment and Staff Policy Phase |
| Public Project Launch |
| LRC Needs Assessment |
| LRC Institutional Development Plan |
| Training Modules for LRC |
| TOT of 50 Core Trainers |
| Result 2: Approximately 1000 local CSOs supported in strategic initiatives promoting community engagement and responsive local governance. |
| CSO Needs Assessment |
| Support to CSOs for CSO Reflection |
| Materials to Support Trainings and the Information Base |
| Multiplier trainings |

The Work Plan – Years 2 to 4

For the following years:

Result 1: The LRC, a local CSO umbrella network is strengthened as an accountable, inclusive and professional service provider and coordination structure among its peer networks and approximately 1000 local CSO member organizations.

Internal Mid-term review

External Final Review

LRC Institutional Development Plan

Training Modules for LRC

Result 2: Approximately 1000 local CSOs supported in strategic initiatives promoting community engagement and responsive local governance.

Materials to Support Trainings and the Information Base

Mentoring Grant Managers

Multiplier training

Thematic training

Sub-Grants

Direct support to sub-grantees

Result 3: 500 local CSOs are equipped and capacitated to participate in **multi-stakeholder platforms**, development projects and decision making with local authorities and public/private service providers for influencing policies and plans at national and sub-national levels.

Network strengthening

Local regionally coordinated advocacy

National level advocacy

