



Capacity Building of Local Authority

Programme Area:

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Project Description:

Following the completion of the first two phases of the local elections, the MOLG recognized the significant need for reinforcing the capabilities of the newly elected local authorities in carrying out their responsibilities towards their citizens and effectively running their local affairs.

Within this framework, the MOLG and UNDP/PAPP, in recognition of the important developmental role of the Local Authorities, plan to develop a comprehensive capacity building program for the elected local leaders. The programme will reinforce the technical, managerial and administrative capabilities of the newly elected mayors and municipal & village council members and will ensure a smooth transition of responsibilities and continuation of service delivery to the citizens. In parallel, the Programme will enhance the institutional capabilities of the MOLG to provide effective capacity development support to the local authorities. The program is also associated with the expected Israeli withdrawal from Gaza Strip and certain parts of the northern West Bank which require the full empowerment of the local government units.

Objectives:

The overall objective of the project is to enhance the local government system in the Palestinian Territories through strengthening the human capacities of the newly elected councils and reinforcing their capabilities in effectively running local affairs.

The project will embark a capacity development process for the newly elected local authorities targeting the Mayors and the municipal & village council members in order to enable these local leaders to fulfill their responsibilities in a more effective and efficient manner.

Locations:

16 localities in the West Bank and Gaza

Outputs:

- To strengthen the capacities of the newly elected councils in (a) legal affairs, (b) financial management; and (c) general management & communication skills.

- To reinforce the institutional capabilities of the Ministry of local Government in providing effective capacity development support to the Palestinian local authorities.