Transparency, Accountability, and Performance Project Overview

An Additional Help for ADS Chapter 597

Transparency, Accountability, and Performance (TAP) Project

The Transparency, Accountability, and Performance (TAP) Project is an Agency-wide resource to strengthen performance management practices through: 1) Analytic Support; 2) Training and Technical Assistance; and 3) Communication and Information Management. TAP covers both program and operations performance.

To date, TAP Task Orders have been used to: facilitate the development of Country Development Cooperation Strategies; conduct gender and other analyses; facilitate the development of Results Frameworks and Performance Management Plans; conduct health sector trainings; perform change management and Mission management assessments; and develop AIDStat, the Agency's first step-by-step guide to conducting statistical reviews.

<u>Range of Services:</u>

1) Analytic Support

- Collect and analyze data from primary, secondary, and tertiary sources and present the findings in various formats.

- Research information on performance management topics and present the findings in analytic papers.

- Convene special forums to share international development experience on performance management topics.

2) Training and Technical Assistance

- Design and deliver instructor-led and online training courses. Training topics include:

- Managing and conducting the strategic planning process;

- Preparing Results Frameworks;

- Developing Performance Management Plans; and

- Additional performance management training sessions, as approved by TAP Contracting Officer's Representative (TAP COR).

- Design and deliver technical assistance to develop components associated with the performance management process. These components include:

- Regional bureau, pillar bureau, and Mission strategic plans;

- Results Framework for Operations Objectives;

- Results Framework or Logical Framework for projects/activities; and

- Performance Management Plans.

    o Performance indicators,

    o Baselines and targets, and

    o Data Quality Assessments.

3) Communication and Information Management

- Assist the Agency in complying with program and management performance reporting requirements that are required by statute (for example, the Chief Financial Officers Act, the Government Performance and Results Act Modernization Act, etc.), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and Congress.

- Create communications products that present performance information in a transparent manner.

- Create, improve, and provide support to maintain data collection systems to facilitate analysis of, and reporting on Agency-wide program and operations performance results.

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