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ARTF Incentive Program Working Group
Meeting 21 January 2020

Agenda item #1: Update on policy actions

- World Bank updated IPWG on recent consultations and discussions with ARTF Partners on the policy actions, including:
 - Bilateral discussions with USAID on extensive comments provided on the draft matrix
 - Bilateral discussions with UK on tobacco taxation
 - Bilateral discussions with Germany on O&M policy actions
 - Presentation of draft policy actions to the ARTF Gender Working Group
 - ARTF Partner discussion on potential inclusion of a mining-related policy action.
- World Bank presented the current policy action matrix, including initial draft results indicators, and explained key changes since the previous version of the matrix was circulated.
- ARTF Partners asked whether and how joint partner comments on the draft matrix had been considered and incorporated. IPWG discussed comments provided by joint partners. World Bank agreed to prepare a written matrix of comments and responses summarizing the conversation.
- IPWG discussed next steps towards finalizing the matrix. IPWG agreed that World Bank would circulate a near final draft matrix for parallel comment by DM Finance and ARTF partners early next week. World Bank explained that the matrix is now considered near final but we still have space to consider major priority concerns or issues until the end of January.
- Action:
 - World Bank to circulate matrix of responses to joint donor comment (Attached).
 - World Bank to circulate near-final policy actions by Friday 24th January.

Agenda item #2: Update on results indicators

- First draft results indicators are included in the latest version of the policy matrix.
- World Bank noted that these results indicators will be used to assess overall progress with the program on an ongoing basis and inform the program evaluation that will occur roughly 18 months after Board approval.
- Partners noted the importance of capturing gender issues and outcomes in results indicators.
- Action:
 - ARTF Partners to provide comments on draft results indicators by Thursday, 30th January.

Agenda item #3: Evaluations of the Recurrent Cost Window and Incentive Program

- World Bank updated Partners on planned process for the Implementation Completion Report and Learning Review of the Recurrent and Capital Cost Window and the



Implementation Completion Report for the 2018 Incentive Program Development Policy Grant. World Bank noted:

- A preferred senior consultant has been identified for the learning review
 - An additional consultant has been identified for the Implementation Completion Report of the 2018 Incentive Program Development Policy Grant
 - A World Bank internal team will be preparing the Implementation Completion Report for the Recurrent and Capital Cost Window.
- World Bank thanked Partners for consolidated comments on the Terms of Reference for the Learning Review. World Bank noted that these comments had been incorporated into the revised TOR and conveyed directly to the preferred consultant.
 - World Bank noted that Partners are a primary audience for the Learning Review and that an initial kick-off meeting/VC will be scheduled with the consultant as soon as a contract is in place. This will be an opportunity for Partners to further convey their priorities for the work.
 - Action:
 - World Bank to share final TOR for the Learning Review (Attached)
 - World Bank to schedule a meeting/VC with the Learning Review consultant as soon as possible and prior to initiation of substantive work.

Attachments:

- Current draft 2020 policy matrix and results indicators
- Terms of Reference for Learning Review
- Matrix of joint donor comments on 2020 policy actions and World Bank responses.

All attachments are available in the shared folder.