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**ARTF Incentive Program Working Group Meeting**  
**9 July 2019**

**Agenda item #1: Revenue and Cash Management Reporting**

- World Bank presented the revenue and cash management reports now available on the Ministry of Finance website
  - Cash management reports are available here: <http://mfpd.mof.gov.af/cash-management-report/>
  - Revenue performance reports are available here: [http://ard.gov.af/?page\\_id=6604](http://ard.gov.af/?page_id=6604)
- World Bank presented the publication tracking system and will share the tracking spreadsheet with ARTF partners. Under the agreed publication schedule, compliance with the conditions of the policy action will require continued publication of both reports until mid-November in accordance with the schedule.

**Agenda item #2: Progress with Policy Actions**

- World Bank noted that grant agreements have now been signed and that we will be disbursing against the three completed prior actions and three completed Tranche Release Conditions over the next week (e-money, e-filing, public investment management).
- Ministry of Finance presented the updated monitoring matrix and milestones for tracking progress against policy actions. The updated matrix is attached.
- The World Bank presented the IPWG shared folder, where ARTF Partners can access all evidence submitted for completion of policy actions along with the Verification Reports prepared by World Bank sector teams. World Bank will resend the link to the shared folder to all ARTF Partners and government.
- World Bank requested the ARTF partners monitor submitted evidence in real time to ensure that any documentary requirements can be met. World Bank clarified that, as per the IPWG terms of reference, the World Bank is responsible for verification of policy actions and authorization of disbursements but is happy to share documentation as needed. If additional documents are required by ARTF partners, it would be good to know this in advance so that we can provide them prior to disbursements.

**Agenda item #3: Process for Preparing 2020 IP DPG**

- IPWG agreed that preparation of the 2020 IP DPG would follow the same rough timeline as preparation of the 2019 IP DPG. World Bank requested ARTF partners to confirm that the schedule worked for their purposes and advise as soon as possible if not. The draft preparation schedule is attached.
- World Bank agreed to a brainstorming session over coming weeks in which policy actions for inclusion in the 2020 IP DPG could be discussed.

**Agenda item #4: Evaluations/Implementation Completion Reports**

- The Implementation Completion Report (ICR) for the Recurrent Cost Window (which includes the Incentive Program up to 2017) will be evaluated by the end of the year.



ARTF Partners have already shared questions that they would like to see addressed through this review. The review will be conducted in parallel with the review of the 2018 Incentive Program Development Policy Grant. The World Bank invites any further views on specific questions that the review should address.

- The World Bank has recently completed an Implementation Completion Report for the 2017 Inclusive Growth Development Policy Grant. This was an IDA-only financed operation (not managed through the IPWG or using any ARTF funds. The review was broadly positive but identified some weaknesses in the results framework that we are seeking to proactively respond to by ensuring that all technical teams are collection sufficient information to monitor progress with the Incentive Program DPG series.

Attachments:

- Current monitoring matrix with milestones
- Cash/revenue reporting schedule and tracker
- Link to shared folder
- ICR for 2017 IDA-financed Development Policy Operation
- Preparation schedule for 2020 IP DPG