

The Country Team was active on many fronts in 2006 as it prepared to begin the implementation of its new five-year business plan, the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF), 2007-2011.

The economy continued to grow at a steady pace in 2006 reaching a growth rate of 6.9 per cent in the fiscal year 2005/2006 versus 4.6 percent the previous year. The establishment of a smooth-functioning foreign exchange market positively influenced the market confidence while the banking sector reform and privatization were moving ahead at a pace exceeding expectations. Reduction in tax and customs resulted in a more efficient and transparent tax and customs collection and increase in market operations. Direct Foreign Investments rose by 56 per cent as it reached almost \$6.1 billion against \$3.9 billion the previous year. On the other hand, job creation remained a paramount challenge for Egyptian authorities while the trickling down effect of economic growth to the general population remained illusive. Social safety net measures failed to reach the most fragile segments of the Egyptian population.

On the internal political front, 2006 saw a more open debate in the media and public discussions and protests, including on issues that were considered taboo in previous years. While national state-owned newspapers continued to dominate the printed media, a number of independently funded ones started gaining ground and credibility throughout 2006 providing a wider margin of debate.

Cases of police brutality continued to be reported and human rights groups criticized heavy-handed police tactics in dealing with demonstrators. In the first half of the year, there was also much tension and protest led by the Egyptian Judges Club over judicial reform and their independence, including the role of judiciary supervision of national elections. Constitutional reform and issues of succession to the President continued to dominate the political debate between the ruling party and opposition groups in 2006. This was particularly the case following President Mubarak's request to the parliament and government to reform 34 articles of Egypt's Constitution. The critical ones are related to conditions for becoming a candidate for President, unlimited terms of office for elected president and reduced judicial supervision of elections.

Avian Influenza emerged as a major socio-economic and political concern early in the year with the discovery of the first human deaths in the country. With the mass culling and killing of poultry by national authorities, the impact of the bird pandemic on people's livelihoods became a major concern and highlighted the need for a long-term development approach to counter and ultimately avoid the repercussions of an Avian Influenza crisis. Supporting the Government of Egypt in the production of this plan and ensuring appropriate coordination among all stakeholders has become a central focus of the UNCT. Intensive community awareness campaigns supported by the UN took place in the eight most affected governorates (house-to-house) reaching millions of people.

Within this context, the Country Team finalized in 2006 its second UNDAF, 2007-2011. Endorsed by the Prime Minister in February 2006, the UNDAF 2007-2011 was signed by the Minister of International Cooperation and the Resident Coordinator on behalf of the UN Country Team in March 2006.

Summary on progress towards UNDAF outcomes

The last UNDAF cycle that began in 2002 entered its final year in 2006. The three main UNDAF outcome areas of intervention for the last UNDAF were: (1) Enhanced governance through a more participatory development dialogue, institutional capacity building and civil society empowerment; (2) Enhanced natural resource management, environment sustainability and food security; and (3) Poverty reduction with emphasis on addressing social and geographical disparities.

Several initiatives pursued in 2006 continued to contribute to achieving these UNDAF goals under the overall framework of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). In this regard, continued policy dialogue took place in several areas, in particular on the concept of renewing the 'social contract' between the state and its citizens aiming at a paradigm shift in the state-citizen relationship based on the principles of democratic governance. A keystone of the National Human Development Report 2005, and in alignment with the new UNDAF, 2007-2011, the social contract concept has been rooted in a new initiative based in the Information and Decision Support Centre (IDSC) in the Prime Minister's Office. The purpose is to establish a Social Contract Advisory, Monitoring and Coordination Centre with UNDP support to provide policy advice in developing and monitoring the implementation of the MDG-based poverty reduction action plan.

Efforts to empower civil society were successful through several projects, most notably through the MDG coalition of NGOs. This coalition continued to undertake trainings on the MDGs among government officials and other civil society groups, including media and religious leaders. The joint project, 'Sailing the Nile for the Millennium Development Goals', partnering with 18 UN agencies, also succeeded in bringing together civil society and government partners from many different sectors and empowering them, especially youth, to engage in and contribute to achieving the MDGs at the local level.

The UN joint Girls' Education Initiative led by UNICEF helped to ensure the adoption of national standards for

teachers' performance, and improve the quality of standards in teaching and methodologies. As a result, in 2006 the number of girl friendly schools in Egypt rose to more than 500.

The UN system also worked together to address HIV under the UN Joint Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and through the Joint Team on AIDS established in January 2006, as recommended by the Global Task Team. While official data indicate that Egypt remains a low prevalence country, a recent study by Family Health International indicates that a concentrated epidemic may be present in Egypt among certain most-at-risk populations with up to 6 per cent HIV prevalence among men who have sex with men. Several joint projects continued and new ones were established in 2006, such as the first outreach project targeting female sex workers; expansion of joint support to the Egyptian NGO Network Against AIDS to seven UN partners; and the development of a joint project on workplace programmes through the establishment of the Egypt Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS. General advocacy was reinforced with the launch of the UNICEF-led five-year campaign 'Unite for Children. Unite Against AIDS. Unite for Children Against Hepatitis C', capacity-building of religious leaders, and the implementation of the national World AIDS Campaign in close cooperation with the National AIDS Programme, including a three-day peer-led youth camp, and mainstreaming of HIV activities into the MDG campaign targeting Upper Egypt.

The Egypt Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Trust Fund, established in January 2002 in partnership with the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (MCIT) with contributions from the private sector and donors, continued to serve as a mechanism to create public-private partnerships to support the use of ICT in fostering socio-economic development by increasing access to ICT technology. In 2006, with UNDP support, the Trust Fund helped to galvanize a series of coordinated initiatives, such as the Mobile Internet Unit, franchising of ICT clubs, and community development portals, to engage citizens in sustainable human development practices while offering them access to knowledge via ICT.

In 2006, Global Compact network members in Egypt launched an independent institution called the Centre for the Global Compact and Corporate Social Responsibility in order to advance Global Compact work in Egypt. Efforts, including the launch, continued to be supported by the UN family, namely ILO, UNDP and UNIDO. In addition, 2006 saw a growing government and business association buy-in to the work of the Global Compact in Egypt. There was also an increase in UN initiatives supported by private companies, such as the MDG advocacy campaign, the Popular Market programme, street children, and the Sailing the Nile initiative.

On the issue of gender equality, through joint support to the National Council for Women with UNIFEM in the forefront, information gathered from various governorates has fed into the National Five-year Development Plan. This was achieved through strengthening and mobilizing knowledge and expertise available in the country and gender sensitive planning in line ministries. Gender budgeting, gender auditing and performance-based budgeting with a gender approach have also been piloted in selected ministries. In addition, 10 UN agencies came together to address the rights of children, youth and mothers through support to the National Council for Childhood and Motherhood (NCCM) to develop an integrated national five-year plan of action whose main tenet is to move from a project to a programme approach and as such facilitate long term and integrated interventions in this area.

In the area of female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C), dialogue and joint activities in communities continued between NCCM, relevant ministries and a number of UN agencies. Two agencies joined forces in major evaluations of FGM/C programmes in order to produce joint final recommendations that would feed into one national strategy and a joint work plan. Renewed efforts to use the media to advocate against the practice also progressed.

In an attempt to address environmental concerns, school awareness campaigns were successfully implemented 120 schools in Upper Egypt. The campaigns also addressed surrounding communities. This is particularly relevant given the reports of water contamination and quality issues. The UN also took steps to support the Water Holding Company to conduct national hygiene awareness campaigns.

In 2006, Egypt was announced polio-free due to successful efforts led by the Government of Egypt, with support from UNICEF and WHO, Rotary, USAID and other partners. In 2007, it is anticipated that Egypt will have eliminated maternal and neonatal tetanus.

In the context of improving food security, capacity building and social reform, a number of agencies led by WFP were active in 2006 in supporting the Government to reform the food subsidy programme, develop national safety nets for the poor, and provide food for education and flour fortification, while specifically targeting the poor and most vulnerable groups in Upper Egypt, Sinai and the Red Sea, in an effort to address regional disparities.

Efforts were taken to strengthen national capacity in monitoring and evaluation and data collection. The DevInfo management system was transferred to two national data collection institutions that included a capacity-building component which will continue through 2007. The Ministry of Planning was also given support to increase planners and policy-makers' access and utilization of evidence-based information for effective integrated population planning and policy dialogue. A database of indicators was created with UNFPA support and is being maintained by the IDSC, while a reference manual as produced that includes indicator, source, date definitions, source of calculation and other information necessary to ensure the quality of the data and indicators.

Summary on progress in UN Reform

As the centre stage for the regional meeting of the High-level Panel on System-wide Coherence in June and amid the first steps to operationalize the new UNDAF, the Government, donors and the UN family in Egypt had the opportunity to engage

in constructive dialogue over the design and meaning of UN reform at the country level. This dialogue helped to strengthen cooperation with national partners in implementing UN reform processes, especially with the Ministry of International Cooperation, which moved to take ownership of the process from the outset.

Led by the Project Evaluation and Macroeconomic Analysis (PEMA) Office of the Ministry of International Cooperation, the UN system and the donor community engaged in the OECD Paris Declaration Monitoring Survey designed to assess and improve national capacities in leading the management of aid coordination. Supported by the RC Office, PEMA was in charge of collecting and analyzing donor inputs, arranging orientation and validation workshop.

PEMA was also central in developing the UNDAF Monitoring and Evaluation System whose ambitious plan involves the entire UN system, government and civil society partners. The cornerstone of the monitoring mechanism is a capacity-building exercise in which five UNDAF task forces co-chaired by national partners and the UN will be fully involved in developing detailed M and E plans and the process of expanding the UNDAF M&E system. Central to the M&E framework is the plan to develop a joint UN project on capacity building of national partners on results-based management as well as data collection, monitoring utilization.

Efforts to establish a joint project office continued. Assuit in Upper Egypt was identified as the preferred governorate and currently premises are being located. The proposed Joint Project office would constitute a 'workstation' that will allow national officers to benefit from close proximity to project operations and thus to ensure quality monitoring and substantive and consistent technical assistance to projects. Similarly, a number of UN agencies agreed in 2006 to move to new premises as part of a longer term strategy to work towards establishing a UN House for all agencies in Cairo within the next five years.

In accordance with UN reform guidance and with the willingness of participating agencies, the UNCT accorded significant importance to the development of joint programmes when there is a clear added value, and as such 2006 saw a remarkable increase in joint programmes. During the year, nine new joint programmes were created, six of them with pooled resources, in areas ranging from HIV/AIDS, poverty reduction, gender, children, education and the MDGs. Several other joint projects and initiatives continued, such as the project on neonatal resuscitation, a small project with great impact, ensuring skills development of medical staff to perform a simple life-saving technique for infants at the moment of birth.

Four UNCT Working Groups were active in 2006: UN Communications Group (UNCG), Disaster Management Team (DMT), Expanded Theme Group on HIV/AIDS (ETG) and UN Joint Team on AIDS. Furthermore, the M&E officers met regularly, led by the RC Office, to develop the UNDAF M&E framework. The UNCG, chaired by the UN Information Centre, played a central role in coordinating the media response to the Lebanese crisis and the UN Goodwill Ambassadors issue. The Group took the lead in organizing both UN Day and the launch of the new UNDAF in December 2006, and helped to garner financial and technical support for Beyond quarterly, the supplement to the English-language weekly Al-Ahram newspaper, focusing on development issues of importance to Egypt with UN agencies providing articles as requested. The unfolding regional events in 2006 prompted the UNCT in Egypt to work through its Communications Group to enhance the public and media image of the UN while creating a better understanding of how the UN works and what it aims to achieve nationally and worldwide under the guidance of its Member States.

In the vacuum of a coordinated response to Avian Influenza, the DMT led by WFP took the lead in organizing multi-stakeholder meetings with government, UN agencies and donors through the first wave of Avian and Human Influenza cases. The DMT also organized efforts to develop a joint UN Operations Contingency Plan in the event of a human pandemic, which was issued in August 2006.

In the spirit of UN reform, the UN Joint Team on HIV/AIDS led by UNICEF developed a one joint programme of support for 2007-2008 during a two-day retreat. Based on the HIV-relevant sections in the UNDAF and national priorities set forth in the draft National Strategic Plan on HIV and AIDS, the UN Joint Team on AIDS produced four priority areas in which the UN could have an added-value and a comparative advantage in support to the national response. Furthermore, the UN Theme Group on HIV, comprised of heads of the cosponsoring agencies, met twice to make policy-level decisions. A special high-level discussions meeting was conducted with the Policy Advisor of the UN Learning Strategy on HIV/AIDS. The Expanded Theme Group on HIV/AIDS continued to meet regularly as well, functioning as a partnership forum with UN and national partners, e.g. supporting and ensuring effective implementation of the national World AIDS Campaign.

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High on the agenda will also be the continued support to the Donor Assistance Group (DAG) and its thematic sub-groups with the ultimate aim of spearheading donor aid harmonization in line with Paris Declaration principles. These activities come on the heels of the recent OECD Paris Declaration Monitoring Survey conducted in Egypt in 2006 under the leadership of the Ministry of International Cooperation. In 2007, the DAG aims to organize a Paris Declaration Monitoring Survey follow-up conference in cooperation with OECD/DAC colleagues to outline a strategy for aid harmonization in Egypt.

In spirit of the Millennium Declaration and the beginning of the new UNDAF cycle, UN agencies will seek to continue to work together through joint initiatives not as a default mechanism but when there is a clear comparative advantage in doing so. A key joint programme to be developed in 2007 will include the continuation to 2015 of 'Sailing the Nile for the MDGs', which received much acclaim in 2006 for its impact in mobilizing youth and advocating for the localization of the MDGs. Other important initiatives include the roll out of joint projects to be identified within the five-year National Plan of Action for Childhood and Motherhood, within the joint UN programme of support on HIV/AIDS and the full roll out of the Harmonized Approach to Cash Transfer modality in April.

As Egypt is a priority country, UN agencies will also collaborate very closely in helping the Government to develop a comprehensive national plan to address Avian Influenza that takes into account all relevant sectors, including human pandemic preparedness and response. The UNCT has recruited an AI Strategic Planner and Coordinator in collaboration with the Office of the Senior UN Influenza Coordinator, to help the Government work with UN agencies, donors, civil society and the private sector in this endeavour. An OCHA AI Regional Planner will also shortly join the UN team in Egypt to help with preparing a common regional UN response to a possible Avian Human Influenza pandemic.

Key aspects of the proposed 2007 workplan

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Recommendations

To achieve the UNDAF outcomes and work effectively towards the MDGs as stated here, the UNCT in Egypt has developed the following recommendations. They may help to identify what could be done both at HQ and the regional and country levels to make a tangible difference.

The UN should invest more time and resources in joint needs assessment exercises and in the programme formulation phase to better ensure that interventions are demand-driven, relevant to national development priorities and strategies and complementary to other national, bilateral and multilateral initiatives.

In line with recent UN reform initiatives, the Resident Coordinator system should be strengthened to ensure coordination of assistance and encourage national execution initiatives in the context of the UNDAF, where more focus is still needed in targeting the outcomes and activities. Here, the RC should be given greater authority accompanied by enhanced accountability. This can help ensure strengthened collective actions and synergies in capacity development programmes.

There should be greater emphasis on fully streamlining rules and regulations among UNDG Ex-Com agencies. The current request of harmonization is often overruled by individual, differing procedures that hinder rather than facilitate support to national partners. UN agencies must use one rather than multiple operational systems in a country. For example, there should be one common system for procurement and a common information management system, etc. Financial systems and policies within the UN should be simplified and unified to facilitate joint programming.

On a related issue, more focus from HQ is needed to encourage specialized agencies to fully collaborate in UN reform initiatives, which would ensure greater UN system effectiveness. Little attention has been focused on these agencies and as such it is very much up the country teams to engage those UN partners.

Finally, the UN should work more strongly on promoting its image as a development organization, as much as a political one, especially in the Middle East region where the UN is seen primarily as a vector for Security Council decisions and less as a development expert.

In closing, Mr. Secretary-General, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and welcome you to the UN family. I wish you and your staff a successful 2007, and renew the commitment of the Egypt UN Country Team to implement the UN programme of reform at the country level.

2006 Results and Use of Funds

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Key Results Area	Expected Outputs	Performance Indicators	Actual Outputs at Year End	Funds required/spent at Year End							
				SRC		Trans Fund		UN Agencies		Other	
				Req	Spt	Req	Spt	Req	Spt	Req	Spt
Progress towards UNDAF Outcomes											
MDG 1 Poverty reduction	Support to incorporation of poverty reduction strategy in 5-year National Development Plan based on NHDR 2005 recommendations	The draft 5-year National Development Plan 2007-2011 includes chapter on poverty reduction.	Policy papers developed based on the 2005 NHDR were discussed with relevant line ministries with a view to include recommendations in the 5-year National Development Plan. (No need for RC funds).	\$2,000.00							
MDG 2 Education	Continued support to Girls' Education Initiative	Quality-education standards adopted in national curriculum, girls friendly schools increased to 483 in 2007.	National standards on teachers performance adopted. Quality of standards in teaching and learning methodology improved. Increase of girls friendly schools to more than 500.	\$2,000.00	\$5,000.00			\$239,500.00	\$239,500.00	\$1,208,420.00	\$1,208,420.00
MDG 3 Gender Equality	Support to a) Annual Conference of National Council for Women held at the governorate level b) Global Summit for women; c) Establishment of media watch-out; d) Launch of the 4th AHDR, focused on gender	Annual conference held involving all governorates and receiving extensive media coverage b) Global Summit held in Cairo including Ministerial Roundtable with women ministers exchanging best practices of public and private sector partnerships; c) operation of media watch unit, quarterly reports on women's image portrayal in media.	a) Annual conference held at governorate level; b) Global Summit held in Cairo; c) media watch unit established (not funded by RC budget due to limited allocation); d) launch of AHDR 2006 postponed to 2007 due to the late publication of previous report in December 2006.	\$3,000.00				\$41,696.00			

MDG 4 Reduce Child Mortality	Support to joint project on Neonatal Resuscitation	Three trainings sessions of doctors and medical staff undertaken.	2 successful courses conducted including an international course for doctors from the region; 400 doctors trained as instructors and providers. Also a website for neonatal resuscitation programme developed.	\$6,500.00	\$6,100.00	\$1,500.00	\$300.00	\$35,000.00	
MDG 6 Combat HIV/AIDS	a) Support to Egyptian NGO Network Against AIDS (ENNAA) coordinator b) Support to Outreach to Vulnerable Women consultant c) Support to religious leaders Initiative.	a) ENNAA activities effectively coordinated and information sharing enhanced; b) technical support provided to research, training of outreach workers and peer educators; c) training workshops held in Upper Egypt and Delta region.	a) Through hiring of new ENNAA coordinator, ENNAA activities were coordinated and as such the NGO network strengthened. Strong capacity building still needed, however, especially with the new Secretariat. As such an assessment of ENNAA strengths and weaknesses and recommendations addressing these currently being undertaken; b) Consultant for the joint project hired ensuring implementation of work plan, including data gathering on risk context of target group for the first time in Egypt; c) Technical support provided to training workshops for mid-level religious leaders in Upper Egypt and Delta building their capacity to become active agents in the national AIDS response.	\$10,000.00	\$12,054.67	\$10,000.00	\$17,500.00	\$82,000.00	\$24,508.70
MDG 7 Ensure Environmental Sustainability	School awareness campaign on environmental sustainability	School awareness campaign successful in 5 schools	Schools awareness campaign successfully implemented in 120 schools (no support from RC budget due to limited allocation).	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	\$15,000.00		
Global Compact Initiatives	a) Publish report on Business Efforts for Human Development in Egypt; b) run a campaign to recruit more members to the Global Compact network in Egypt; c) organize learning sessions on anti-corruption; d) support a national event on environmental responsibility of private sector.	a) Business Efforts for Human Development in Egypt published and widely disseminated; b) number of members in the Egypt global compact network increased; d) learning session on anti-corruption undertaken; e) national event on environmental responsibility of private sector organized.	a) Report in process of being finalised. Expected to be launched in May 2007; b) Campaign conducted and resulted in ten new GC members in 2006; c) Idea of learning sessions expanded to establish project on transparency and anti-corruption supported by GC, UNDP and UNODC; d) National event on environmental responsibility organised supported as a joint effort between the GC Office, UNDP and UNIDO.	\$15,000.00	\$9,043.03			\$100,000.00	
Alignment with national development processes									
Planned efforts to align UN programme cycle with national development cycle *	UNDAF finalised in alignment with government priorities and synchronized with the National Development Plan.	UNDAF, reflecting outcomes corresponding to national priorities, signed by government. Excom country programmes approved by Executive Boards.	UNDAF Outcomes identified based on national priorities and defined in consultation with government partners. UNDAF finalized in timely manner and signed by government in March 2006. All Excom CPDs approved by Executive Boards. UNDAF 2002-2006 end review being undertaken by consultant with a view to gather lessons learned and improve management, coordination and implementation processes of current UNDAF cycle.	\$15,000.00	\$12,852.33		\$5,599.15		

Initiatives planned for the development and/or implementation of joint programmes *	Intergrated slum upgrading in Upper Egypt	Implementation started including 7 agencies.	Project document signed after a very consultative and participatory process with 3 national partners and six UN Agencies (UNAIDS to the project in second phase). Project manager, local project coordinator hired; preparations for policy seminar and baseline surveys undertaken. Some delay in the implementation process also due to the departure of the lead technical agency from the country.	\$5,000.00	\$5,284.88	\$185,000.00	\$20,325.18
Initiatives planned for the development and/or implementation of joint programmes *	Joint technical Support to National Council for Childhood and Motherhood to develop integrated Action Plan	Integrated national action plan developed and incorporated in 5-year national development plan	Joint project document signed with 10 UN Agencies and the national partner. The 5-year plan being drafted and relevant consultations with governorates taking place. Establishment of volunteer infrastructure progressed as planned, incl. development of outline of strategy and hiring of consultants. Development of the action plan delayed slightly due to change of lead consultants. The action plan will be integrated into the 5-year National Plan of Action and consultations with Prime Minister's Office taking place in this regard.	\$10,000.00	\$2,450.00	\$90,000.00	\$11,035.00
Initiatives planned for the development and/or implementation of joint programmes *	Establishment of UN joint sub office in Upper Egypt by end of 2006.	Assessment undertaken, governorate chosen and office in place.	Assessment of different governorates undertaken by task force and governorate chosen (Assiut). Consultations with government partners at the local and governorate level have taken place, and appropriate venue currently being sought. No funds were needed for this process from RC budget, as such similar amount will be allocated in 2007.	\$20,000.00		\$50,000.00	\$400.00
Initiatives planned for the development and/or implementation of joint programmes *	Rehabilitation and integration of street children in the society.	Project document finalized.	It was decided to integrate efforts related to planning of joint programmes on street children into the 5-year national action plan on childhood and motherhood issues developed by the National Council for Childhood and Motherhood through support of a joint UN project (No RC funds spent). UNICEF continued support to street mothers and the help-line for children.	\$3,000.00		\$4,500.00	\$180,550.00 \$161,821.00
Initiatives planned for the development and/or implementation of joint programmes *	Elimination on worst forms of child labour.	Project Document finalized.	WFP, ILO and UNICEF developed joint project proposal and was jointly awarded USD 5,090,000 over the next four years by the US Labour Department with the project: Combating Child Labor through Education in Egypt. (No RC funds spent).	\$2,000.00		\$149,000.00	\$227,000.00

Support to national development plans & strategies

Planned efforts to jointly support national government in the preparation, implementation, and/or revision of MDG-based national development strategies	Support to the Government of Egypt to adopt MDG Action Plan based on recommendations of the National Human Development Report 2005.	The draft National Development Plan 2007 - 2011 refers to the MDGs and adopts recommendations of NHDR 2005.	Project signed with the government regarding establishment of a 'Social Contract' Center that would report directly to the Prime Minister, and mandated with monitoring MDG based action plan as laid out in the NHDR. Action plan still to be developed.	\$3,000.00					
Planned efforts to jointly support national government in the preparation, implementation, and/or revision of MDG-based national development strategies	Support to the Government of Egypt to develop integrated development plan on all activities related to childhood and motherhood (mentioned above with resource allocation)	The draft National Development Plan 2007 - 2011 includes chapter on childhood/ motherhood issues.	Joint technical support to NCCM to develop national strategy on childhood and motherhood issues. The plan is currently being developed (see above).						
Planned efforts to jointly support national government in the preparation, implementation, and/or revision of MDG-based national development strategies	Support to the Government of Egypt to finalize multisectoral National Strategic Plan on AIDS.	National Strategic Plan adopted by the Government	The National AIDS Programme of the Ministry of Health and Population was supported through the ETG to develop the National Strategic Plan (NSP). 3 key priority ministries identified with a view to build capacity of non-health sectors and ensure multi-sectoral response as outlined in the draft NSP. As such, HIV focal points were appointed and trained in the Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Information and National Youth Council. Costs covered by UNICEF, UNFPA and the government and as such RC funds were not required.	\$5,000.00			\$7,000.00	\$6,500.00	
Planned efforts to jointly support national government in the preparation, implementation, and/or revision of MDG-based national development strategies	Support to the Government of Egypt to development of food security strategy.	Food security strategy and action plan in place.	WFP in cooperation with the Ministry of Planning and others worked on the development of a national food security strategy. Not supported by the RC Budget due to limited allotment.	\$2,000.00		\$50,000.00			
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Advocacy	Media monitoring services for UNCT	Daily media reports and weekly synopsis produced.	Media reports produced on a weekly basis by consultancy firm.	\$5,000.00	\$2,767.11	\$22,000.00			
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Advocacy	Support to World AIDS Campaign (WAC)	WAC involved the entire ETG and reached targeted audience.	Through the Expanded Theme Group (ETG) in coordination with the National AIDS Programme and national partners, the following World AIDS Campaign activities were supported: 1) Sailing the Nile for the MDGs - the project engaged Egyptians as volunteers in activities contributing to the MDGs in 8 governorates along the Nile. AIDS awareness raising activities were mainstreamed into the governorates through training of local committees, local coordinators and technical and financial support. 2) Youth camp in Ismailia (300 youths) conducted with the Ministry of Health and the National Youth Council using arts, music, sports, peer education to raise awareness on HIV 3) Support to Egyptian Medical Students Association to conduct HIV awareness sessions at Medical	\$3,000.00	\$3,500.00		\$17,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$24,508.70

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Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Advocacy	Production of report on Business Efforts for Human Development	Report linked to Global Compact launched linking corporate responsibility to the MDGs.	Report in the process of being produced. To be published in 2007. Technical support from RC Office through the Global Compact. No RC funds spent in 2006 due to the postponed publication date.	\$5,000.00	
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Advocacy	Support to International Volunteer Day and Regional 'MDG Nile Boat' event	Youth engaged in voluntarism and MDGs through the 'Nile Boat' event.	Internatioanal Volunteer Day held during the Grand Finale of the 'Sailing the Nile for the MDGs' event in Cairo. The Joint UN project (18 UN Agencies) culminated in a 2-day festival in Cairo with a wide range of activities and performances including speeches, music, arts, dancing, concerts, educational activities and booths displaying developments work carried out in Egypt centered around the MDGs.	\$3,000.00	\$7,316.69
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Advocacy	Support to UN day initiatives	UN day highlights UN development partnerships.	UN Day arranged by the Federation of the United Nations Staff Association and coordinated by UNIC instead of the Resident Coordinator Office ofr UN Staff.	\$5,000.00	\$800.25
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Advocacy	Support Association of Former International Civil Servants (AFICS) in producing "Beyond" issue in the quarterly newspaper as an annex	"Beyond" published 4 times with inputs from UNCT and focusing on UN development issues.	Beyond published 4 times with inputs from UNCT coordinated by the RC Office and UNIC.	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Advocacy	Support to UN intranet and UN Egypt website and Global Compact website as well and the Donors Assistance Group (DAG) intra.	UN intra and website, Gobal Compact website and DAG intra timely updated.	Egypt UN Web site and Intranet and DAG web site being re-designed and to be re-launched in 2007. Updated regularly throughout 2006.		\$1,000.00
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Dialogue/ Participation	Support regional African expert meeting on disaster reduction.	Regional African expert meeting on disaster reduction held and plan for establishing a regional center for disaster reduction in place.	Report outlining plan to establish regional disaster reduction center produced and currently being reviewed by the government.	\$12,000.00	\$3,000.00
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Dialogue/ Participation	Joint strategic meetings with the Government of Egypt and Civil Society to ensure UNDAF consistency with national priorities.	Comments of Government of Egypt and Civil Society incorporated in the UNDAF document.	Bilateral meetings held with government and civil society partners with a view to ensure consistency between national priorities and UNDAF/CPAPs. Second Joint Strategy Meeting held with Excom Agencies in December presenting CPAPs and ensuring internal consistencies as well as alignment with the UNDAF. Decision taken to produce common annex outlining link between respective CPAP outputs and UNDAF outputs and possibly joint signature page.	\$3,000.00	

	\$2,000.00	\$36,300.00			\$40,000.00
	\$7,800.00	\$6,000.00			
	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00			
		\$7,726.00		\$5,000.00	

Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Dialogue/Participation	Support to dialogue with the Government of Egypt through Disaster Management Team	Support to GoE development of Contingency Plan	Support to the Government to develop Avian Flu pandemic response strategy and plan as well as UN operations contingency plan.	\$3,000.00	\$1,907.24	\$3,800.00	\$7,000.00	\$85,000.00
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Dialogue/Participation	Support the Government of Egypt in preparation for the African Plenary on National Strategies for Poverty Reduction and the Millennium Development Goals conference.	African Plenary on National Strategies for Poverty Reduction and the Implementation of the Millennium Development Goals conference held (ECA, South South Cooperation and the Government of Egypt)	African Plenary on National Strategies for Poverty Reduction and the implementation of the MDGs held in Cairo in March, by ECA in cooperation with the Government of Egypt and UN South South Cooperation Unit.			\$37,000.00		\$395,000.00
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Coordination	Donor Coordination mechanism established (under Ministry of International Cooperation) improving common practices and policy decisions.	Donors retreat and field visit undertaken. Donors coordination mechanism operational.	Focal points for M&E appointed in 10 line ministries and trained in and by Ministry of International Cooperation (MoIC) on M&E in order to lay the ground for the improved donor coordination mechanism. The OECD Paris Declaration Survey results will inform and feed into the development of the improved donor coordination mechanism. All DAG subgroups were assigned a focal point from the relevant line Ministry coordinated by MoIC to ensure coordination and synergies among national and international stakeholders in all projects. Donors retreat in February, field visit to Luxor and Qena in November.	\$5,000.00	\$11,421.80		\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Coordination	Support coordination of FGM activities through steering committee.	Common work plan in place and all activities coordinated under NCCM.	One steering committee meeting held. Working group established among UNIFEM, UNICEF, UNDP, UNFPA and NCCM to ensure synergies in work implementation. Two major parallel evaluations coordinated by UNICEF and UNDP with the aim of having joint final recommendations that will feed into one national strategy and a joint workplan - to be developed in 2007. Not supported by RC funds due to limited allocation.	\$1,000.00			\$500.00	
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Coordination	Support to civil society theme group	Theme group established and operational	Theme group not established. Rather discussions on appointing civil society focal point in UNCT took place and whether there should be support in RC Office (possibly UNV) or in UN Agency. Focal point to be appointed in 2007.	\$3,000.00				
Initiatives planned for the support of the national development plan, e.g. PRS in the areas of Technical assistance	Technical assistance to NCCM to develop National Action Plan	5-year National Action Plan developed	See above: assistance to develop joint programmes. Technical assistance to NCCM ongoing.					

<p>Planned efforts to develop national capacities for management of the development process, e.g. SWAps, national systems, capacity assessments and measurement of results *</p>	<p>Support to UNV -private sector initiative</p>	<p>Corporate volunteerism promoted through the UNV associate model and linked with the MDGs.</p>	<p>More than 175 UNV associates from private sector engaged in partnership with Injaz and Save the Children. Working on MDG 1, 2 and 3 in multinational and national cooperations in Egypt, giving lectures in schools on life skills.</p>	<p>\$2,000.00</p>
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<p>Planned efforts to develop national capacities for management of the development process, e.g. SWAps, national systems, capacity assessments and measurement of results *</p>	<p>Establishment of voluntarism infrastructure in NCCM</p>	<p>voluntarism infrastructure in place and coordinating all volunteers working with NCCM.</p>	<p>Consultant hired and work plan prepared outlining steps to establish the volunteer infrastructure unit. To be finalised in fall 2007. Staff hired and trained. Strategy paper written. Funds spent indicated above.</p>
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UN assistance to national authorities for the preparation of the national report on the implementation of the Brussels Programme of Action of LDCs *

Planned initiatives for the implementation of "quick impact" interventions

UN plan to support the implementation of the UNDG Action Plan on the Development Outcome of the World Summit (MDG Action Plan) *

Project agreement between UNDP and the Government to establish a Unit in the Prime Minister's Office entrusted with monitoring an MDG based Action Plan. Project agreement between UNICEF and national partners transferring DevInfo and ensuring capacity building in monitoring development/ MDGs indicators and manage software (see below). Both feed into the preparation process of developing and managing a national MDG Action Plan.

Planned efforts to elaborate and/or implement a post-crisis UN transition plan or strategy

Increasingly using and strengthening national systems

<p>Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: Programme/project reporting</p>	<p>Continued technical support to GoE to management of DECODE (ODA coordination database)</p>		<p>Technical support to the Ministry of International Cooperation to manage Decode. UNDP support to be phased out in 2007.</p>
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<p>Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: PRS/sectoral monitoring and evaluation systems</p>	<p>Dev-Info to be transferred to GoE and technical support/ follow up to be lead by UNICEF.</p>	<p>Dev-info transferred to GoE and clear division of management responsibilities in place.</p>	<p>Dev-Info transferred to government with shared and clearly defined responsibilities between the two data collection and management institutions CAPMAS and IDSC. Several trainings of IDSC and CAPMAS staff took place. Dev-Info being populated with indicators. IDSC was also supported to develop database of indicators in relation to demographic data.</p>	<p>\$1,000.00</p>
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Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: **Annual PRS/sectoral performance reviews**

Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: **PRS/sectoral progress reports**

Planned efforts to making use of national systems by your agencies in order to reduce transaction costs of our programme countries in the areas of: **National procurement systems**

Increased efforts on HIV/AIDS

<p>Planned activities to operationalise the GTT Recommendations relating to the joint UN Team on AIDS and the UN Programme of Support including ISP</p>	<p>All efforts coordinated through: 1) UN Joint Team (UN HIV/AIDS Focal Points), 2) the Expanded Theme Group on HIV/AIDS (de facto Partnership Forum), and 3) the UN Theme Group on HIV/AIDS (the level of Representatives with senior officials). Interim UN-ISP under formulation pending finalization of National Strategic Plan & UNDAF</p>	<p>Interim UN-ISP in place. Joint work plan in place</p>	<p>1) UN Joint Team on HIV/AIDS formed and operational; 2) Expanded Theme group functioning as de facto partnership forum with national AIDS programme, international, national and civil society partners; 3) UN Theme Group met twice including in high-level consultations with UN Learning Strategy Advisor.</p> <p>Draft interim UN Implementation Support Plan being finalised aligned with UNDAF priorities. developed during 2-day retreat in December with all HIV/AIDS focal points and TG Chair. To be finalised and endorsed by UNCT early 2007.</p>		<p>\$100.00</p>		<p>\$5,000.00</p>	<p>\$436.00</p>
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<p>Planned efforts to support the national response to AIDS through strengthening the Three Ones</p>	<p>Through the new coordination mechanisms, support to establishment of 1) NAP-lead National AIDS Coordinating body 2) extend current NAP strategic plan to a multisectoral National Strategic Plan on AIDS, including a common monitoring and evaluation system.</p>	<p>AIDS National Strategic Plan and Monitoring and Evaluation system in place</p>	<p>NAP supported through ETG to develop National Strategic Plan (see above) and involvement of non-health sector. Global Fund proposal has strong component on establishing M&E system. GF proposal was rejected, but appealed, and response just received appeal panel that it recommended Egypt's proposal be accepted provided some revisions. Te allocated funds are 5,412,750 USD.</p>	<p>\$1,000.00</p>				
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Increased efficient and cost-effective operational coordination

<p>Planned initiatives to move forward on common premises & services and cost sharing (including Joint Office initiative)</p>	<p>Survey to be conducted on potential common UN premises (for interested Agencies)</p>	<p>Possible common UN premises compliant with MOSS identified</p>	<p>Process of identifying interested UN agencies completed. Consultant hired and currently surveying UN agency needs with the aim of identifying possible MOSS compliant common premises.</p>	<p>\$2,000.00</p>	<p>\$1,000.00</p>	<p>\$3,000.00</p>		
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Planned initiatives to move forward on common premises & services and cost sharing (including Joint Office initiative)	UNV Volunteers placed with UN Agencies and UN-funded projects as "catalyzers" between different sectors of civil society and the UN system in different practices areas.	UNVs recruitment process and Administration of UNVs, satisfactorily done. Horizontal networks and synergies promoted among agencies through the UNVs.	74 UNV currently placed in UNDP, UNHCR, UNODC, UNICEF and several civil society and governmental organisations. They met in one official retreat in 2006 and were engaged in common projects especially through the "Sailing the Nile for the MDGs" project that won the Administrator's Award 2006. UNV web page produced where all UNVs interact. A mission for HQ came and currently one of its recommendations is being implemented: development of a protocol for administration and recruitment for UN Agencies.						
Planned efforts to support implementation of the harmonized approach to cash transfers *	Orientation seminar for Excom Agencies	Excom Agencies participated in seminar and common action plan adopted	First steps taken to ensure full roll-out by April 2007 such as: Interagency taskforce created and common action plan developed; Several orientation sessions conducted in UN agencies; Consultant being hired to review all macro-assessments done; and compiling lists of implementing agents to undergo micro-assessments.	\$1,000.00					
Strengthened coordination capacity of the UNCT									
Considered staffing of RCS support	Partial funding of Head of Coordination Unit, Coordination Assistant . Additionally JPO funded by Denmark.	Strengthened UN Coordination	Strengthened coordination through partial funding by RC budget and UNDP for Head of Coordination Unit, Coordination Assistant and Donor Coordination Officer. UN Coordination Officer funded through bilateral donor as JPO.	\$83,000.00	\$83,000.00		\$30,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$67,000.00
Considered training and other measures including knowledge networking, and involvement of non-resident agencies in national strategic planning processes	Quarterly induction courses for new UN staff	Induction courses undertaken on quarterly basis for all new UN staff.	Two full-day induction courses held for all new UN staff. A third one was postponed to 2007 due to limited number of new staff. Feed back very positive.	\$1,000.00	\$500.00				
Considered training and other measures including knowledge networking, and involvement of non-resident agencies in national strategic planning processes	Second phase of UN AIDS Learning Strategy, targeting professionals, implemented. Annual sessions for new staff. UNAIDS Cosponsors & partners planning an HIV @ the workplace initiative with the private sector in 2006.	All HIV/AIDS Focal Points trained according to LS standards and new staff trained on HIV/AIDS basics.	1) 1-day meeting/training held with members of UN Joint Team on AIDS lead by the UN Learning Strategy advisor from HQ and the UCC; 2)Annual Learning Strategy session led for new staff in English and Arabic; 3)HIV/AIDS at the work place initiative implemented: joint project signed and selected NGOs trained to become resource persons for private sector on HIV/AIDS.	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$818.00	\$5,000.00	
TOTAL				\$175,000.00	\$174,098.00				

Joint Programmes

Joint Programmes

Title	Theme	Linkages to MDGs and UNDAF outcomes	Duration (from/to)	Fund management Modality	Manag. agent	Admin. agent	National or local partners and donors	Total budget	Financial contribution																		
Support to Egyptian NGO Network Against Aids (ENNAA)	HIV/AIDS	UNDAF GOAL 1: Enhance governance through a more participatory policy dialogue, institutional capacity building and civil society empowerment, Objective 5: To Upgrade Egypt's health system Objective 12: To promote a coherent and systematic action from all stakeholders to address the rights of Children and Youth	2006 - 2007	Parallel Pooled	UNDP		National partner: Family and Environment Development organization (FEDA) within its capacity as the Chair of the ENNAA Secretariat Donor: UNAIDS	\$165,866.00	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>PAF (through UNDP and UNICEF)</td> <td>UNAIDS</td> <td>\$42,888.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>UNDP</td> <td>Core</td> <td>\$30,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>UNICEF</td> <td>core</td> <td>\$44,278.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>UNFPA</td> <td>core</td> <td>\$30,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>UNESCO</td> <td>core</td> <td>\$5,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>RC Budget</td> <td>SRC</td> <td>\$3,200.00</td> </tr> </table>	PAF (through UNDP and UNICEF)	UNAIDS	\$42,888.00	UNDP	Core	\$30,000.00	UNICEF	core	\$44,278.00	UNFPA	core	\$30,000.00	UNESCO	core	\$5,000.00	RC Budget	SRC	\$3,200.00
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Initiating outreach to vulnerable women for health promotion in Cairo, Egypt	HIV/AIDS	UNDAF Goal 1: Enhanced governance through a more participatory dialogue, institutional capacity building and civil society empowerment UNDAF Goal 3: Poverty Reduction with emphasis on addressing social and geographical disparities UNDAF Objective 5: To Upgrade Egypt's Health System UNDAF Objective 11: To promote a systematic and coherent action from all stakeholders to address the issue of gender disparity reduction in Egypt	2006 - 2006	Pooled	UNDP		National partner: Al Shehaab Institution for Comprehensive Development	\$70,000.00	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>UNIFEM</td> <td>core</td> <td>\$5,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>RC Budget</td> <td>SRC</td> <td>\$5,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>UNAIDS</td> <td>OPEC Fund</td> <td>\$60,000.00</td> </tr> </table>	UNIFEM	core	\$5,000.00	RC Budget	SRC	\$5,000.00	UNAIDS	OPEC Fund	\$60,000.00									
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Technical Support to NCCM Preparation of a 5-year integrated national plan of action on childhood and motherhood	Children	UNDAF Outcome 1: By 2011, state's performance and accountability in programming, implementing and coordinating actions, especially those that reduce exclusion, vulnerabilities and gender disparities, are improved. UNDAF CP Outcome 1: Government and non-governmental organizations are better equipped to fulfill citizens' rights and MDGs at the local level in a well-planned and coordinated manner.	2006 - 2007	Parallel Pooled	UNICEF		National partner: National Council for Childhood and Motherhood	\$440,000.00	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>UNICEF</td> <td>core</td> <td>\$30,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>UNDP</td> <td>core</td> <td>\$40,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>UNFPA</td> <td>core</td> <td>\$25,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>UNODC</td> <td></td> <td>\$6,500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>RC Budget</td> <td>SRC</td> <td>\$20,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NCCM, ILO, WFP, UNFPA, UNIFEM, UNODC, UNICEF, WB, UNV, UNESCO</td> <td>Total parallel funding from agencies</td> <td>\$240,000.00</td> </tr> </table>	UNICEF	core	\$30,000.00	UNDP	core	\$40,000.00	UNFPA	core	\$25,000.00	UNODC		\$6,500.00	RC Budget	SRC	\$20,000.00	NCCM, ILO, WFP, UNFPA, UNIFEM, UNODC, UNICEF, WB, UNV, UNESCO	Total parallel funding from agencies	\$240,000.00
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Combating Child Labor through Education in Egypt.	Children	UNDAF Outcome 2: By 2011 Unemployment and Underemployment are reduced and worst forms of child labour are eliminated.	2007 - 2010	Pass-through		WFP	Donor: US Labour Department	\$5,090,000.00	WFP, ILO, UNICEF	US Labour Department	\$5,090,000.00
Private sector initiative	HIV/AIDS	UNDAF Outcome 1: By 2011 State's performance and accountability in programming, implementing and coordinating actions, especially those that reduce exclusion, vulnerabilities and gender disparities are improved. UNDAG CP1.1: Government and non-governmental organizations are better equipped to fulfill citizens' rights and MDGs at local level in a well-planned and coordinated manner; UNDAF CP 1.3: Quality of services improved to be more demand-based, equitable and accessible	2006 - 2007	Parallel			1. National AIDS Programme, Ministry of Health and Population 2. CARE International in Egypt 3. Reference group of private businesses (American Chamber of Commerce, Shell, Cadbury, Trane, Coca-Cola, Bristol-Myers Squibb)	\$35,000.00	UNICEF UNAIDS ILO Care UNODC	core core core	\$15,000.00 \$14,000.00 \$5,000.00 \$1,000.00 \$2,000.00
Sailing the Nile for the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs): A pilot for a yearly festival of development and volunteerism.	MDGs	UNDAF Outcome 5: Democratic institutions and practices are firmly established and a culture of human rights through active citizenship is prevalent	2006 - 2007	Parallel Pooled	UNDP		Local partner: Youth Association for Population and Development National partner: National Council for Childhood and Motherhood Donors: Vodafone, P&G	\$212,915.00	UNDP UNICEF UNIFEM UNFPA Vodafone P&G RC Office, UNV, UNDP, UNAIDS, WFP, ILO, UNESCO, World Bank, IFAD, UNHCR, UNODC, FAO, WHO, UNIC, UN-Habitat, YAPD, NCCM	core core core core	\$15,000.00 \$10,000.00 \$5,000.00 \$3,000.00 \$30,000.00 \$10,000.00 Total parallel contributions \$126,915.00
Participatory and Integrated Slum Upgrading in Egypt (including local economic development)	Poverty reduction	UNDAF Outcome 3: By 2011, regional human development disparities are reduced, including reducing the gender gap, and environmental sustainability improved UNDAF CP Outcome 3.2: Participatory and integrated slum upgrading enhanced	2006 - 2007	Parallel Pooled	UNDP		National partner: Ministry of Housing, Utilities & Urban Development (General Organization for Physical Planning) Sub-national partner: Governorate of el-Minya	\$270,000.00	UNDP UNIFEM ILO UNFPA RC Budget UN-Habitat (parallel) UNICEF (parallel) UNDP (parallel)	core core core core SRC core core	\$40,000.00 \$27,000.00 \$15,000.00 \$8,000.00 \$5,000.00 \$46,000.00 \$35,000.00 \$14,000.00
Enhancing the Knowledge and Policy Analysis Skills of Female MPs to Strengthen their Oversight and Legislative Functions	Gender	UNDAF Goal 1: Enhanced governance through a more participatory dialogue, institutional capacity building and civil society empowerment	2006 - 2007	Parallel			National Council for Women	\$63,000.00	UNDP UNIFEM	core core	\$31,500.00 \$31,500.00

Coordination Procedures and Practices

Coordination practices and procedures		
CP	Results	Recommendations to DGO

<p>'Sailing the Nile for the MDGs' was undertaken as a joint project bringing together partners from the UN, government, NGOs, and the private sector. Eight feluccas were to sail down the Nile, stopping in 8 governorates, each felucca representing one of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG). The purpose of the project was to promote community participation in local and national efforts to achieve the MDGs; building active, caring communities (especially among the youth), that are sensitive and responsive to ongoing developmental needs and can be mass mobilized to act swiftly and effectively towards the achievement of the MDGs in Egypt.</p> <p>In specific the objectives of the project were to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Raise awareness on the meaning the MDGs among the population of Upper Egypt from a human rights perspective. 2. Increase the visibility of the developmental work of the United Nations and its partners in Egypt at a grass roots level. 3. Exchange successful and inspiring experiences locally and nationally related to achieving MDGs among UN projects, NGOs, Private sector, government and the community. 4. Create concrete channels for the people of Upper Egypt (especially the youth) to contribute to achieving the MDGs through volunteerism. 	<p><i>Transaction costs:</i></p>	<p>18 UN Agencies joined forces in this project with two main national partners signing, one governmental and one civil society partner. As such, significant transaction costs were saved through pooling a large amount of resources in one Managing Agent. Furthermore, by directing efforts of already ongoing projects at the local level into one joint project, and as such utilizing momentum already gained in local communities in partnership with different Agencies, the project was able to leverage results that went far beyond the actual funds allocated.</p>	<p>Due to the great success of the project, the Sailing the Nile will be institutionalized until 2015 while ensuring funding mechanisms and national ownership. Several donors have already indicated interest in and/or committed resources to a second phase. As a large number of UN Agencies were involved it is likely that another agency would be the Managing Agent. As such, it is highly recommended that procedures for transferring core funds from UNDP to other Agencies are simplified. As is now, it is not possible to transfer TRAC funds without them being already attached to a project (general recommendation regarding joint programming financial procedures).</p>
	<p><i>Achievements:</i></p>	<p>A unique partnership brought together an unprecedented number of 18 UN organisations, government, civil society, media, academia and the private sector. The UN family contributed not only financially but also with significant contributions from staff who passionately invested much time and effort through implementation of activities, engaging project partners and devoting themselves to the work of the steering committee and the communications committee. Various cultural and art activities took place in each stop to attract, in a creative manner, thousands of committed young people to volunteer for development. Eight local coordinators were responsible for organizing the preparation of the activities in the different locations managed by one National Coordinator. The preparations of the activities were an essential part of the initiative and were carried out in a participatory and inclusive manner by multi-sector local committees. The project raised awareness on the MDGs among the most deprived population in Egypt while creating channels for young people to contribute to achieving the MDGs through volunteerism. A successful communications strategy ensured strong media coverage, production of eight documentaries prepared by youth and children who were trained as reporters, advocacy efforts trickled down to the local level. The Annual World AIDS Campaign, bringing together the UN, international and national partners, furthermore decided to link up with the Sailing the Nile initiative. Through trainings, technical and financial support, HIV/AIDS activities were mainstreamed throughout seven of the stops, and World AIDS Day celebrated in one of them. Considering the stigma and misinformation often surrounding this issue in Egypt, this also reflected a courageous confrontation with a normally neglected issue. The project furthermore celebrated International Day Against the Violence for Women, International Volunteer Day, UN Day as well as the UNDAF launch in different stops. The project won the UNDP Administrator's Award 2006 for Innovation and Creativity.</p>	
	<p><i>Lessons learned:</i></p>	<p>Positive: The loose structure of the project and trust given to local partners allowed a high degree of creativity and ensured a very strong national ownership. Negative: Several lessons learned were recorded throughout the project. These will be addressed while planning and implementing a second 'phase' of the project, intended to run until 2015. Some volunteer activities will be linked with pre-defined project interventions. As such, the planning of volunteer activities will not be left entirely unstructured and to a large extent relying on the local coordinator's capacity, which could result in delays and difficulties in identifying projects. One such pre-planned project intervention, identified for the next phase is development of local MDG 'shadow' reports. The arts task force chaired by a local NGO, were not working optimally - in comparison with for example the media task force, chaired by the UN. In the next phase the arts task force will be modeling the media task and be chaired by the UN to ensure systematic communication and cooperation with the project at large. While each stop of the feluccas gathered big crowds of local Egyptians, many of these were coming from surrounding schools, organizations etc. In the next phase, a more planned and structured local media campaign announcing activities will be undertaken, so as to attract individual people from the around the governorate as well.</p>	

2007 Workplan

UNDAF Outcomes		
1. UNDAF Outcome 1: By 2011 State's performance and accountability in programming, implementing and coordinating actions, especially those that reduce exclusion, vulnerabilities and gender disparities are improved.	To be monitored by the relevant UNDAF M&E task forces and UNDAF M&E Coordination Team	
2. UNDAF Outcome 2: By 2011, unemployment and underemployment are reduced and worst forms of child labour are eliminated	To be monitored by the relevant UNDAF M&E task forces and UNDAF M&E Coordination Team	
3. UNDAF Outcome 3: Regional human development disparities are reduced, Including reducing the gender gap, and environmental sustainability Improved	To be monitored by the relevant UNDAF M&E task forces and UNDAF M&E Coordination Team	
4. UNDAF Outcome 4: By 2011, women's participation in the workforce, political sphere and in public life is increased and all their human rights are increasingly fulfilled	To be monitored by the relevant UNDAF M&E task forces and UNDAF M&E Coordination Team	
5. UNDAF Outcome 5: By 2011, democratic institutions and practices are firmly established and a culture of human rights through active citizenship is prevalent	To be monitored by the relevant UNDAF M&E task forces and UNDAF M&E Coordination Team	

2007 Workplan																
KEY RESULTS AREA	Expected Outputs	Perf. Indicators	Actual Outputs at Year End	Funds required/spent at Year End								Additional support needed from HQ or Regional Director's Team	Target Date			
				SRC		UNCCF		UN Agencies		Other			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
				Req	Spt	Req	Spt	Req	Spt	Req	Spt					

Coordination for Results	
UNCT Contribution to the National Development Plan/Poverty Reduction Strategy	UN support to formulation/ implementation of relevant national strategies or plans e.g. JAS/NDP/PRSP

	<p>UN plan to support the implementation of the UNDG Action Plan on the Development Outcome of the World Summit (MDG Action Plan) *</p>	<p>Key priority areas contributing to the achievement of the MDGs defined by the government and corresponding action plans developed with functional monitoring systems.</p> <p>Monitoring and accountability system developed and integrated in relation to the MDG action plan.</p>	<p>Social Contract Unit in PM office established and operational mandated with supporting line ministries to develop as well as to monitor implementation of the 55 programmes outlined in the 2005 NHDR which were prioritised according to an MDG framework.</p> <p>UNDG Action Plan on the development Outcome of the World Summit were used in the dialogue on and definition of key priority areas.</p> <p>Monitoring of the MDG action plan linked to the UNDAF monitoring and evaluation mechanism.</p>			<p>\$350,000.00</p>		<p>01/10/2007</p>
	<p>UN support to capacity development strategies</p> <p>UN assistance to national authorities for the preparation of the national report on the implementation of the Brussels Programme of Action of LDCs *</p> <p>Formulation/ implementation of a transition plan or strategy</p>							
<p>Aid Coordination/ Management/ Paris Declaration</p>	<p>Planned efforts to making use of national systems in the areas such as programme/project reporting, PRS/ sectoral monitoring and evaluation systems, annual PRS/sectoral performance reviews, national procurement systems, etc</p>	<p>Two national institution, IDSC and CAPMAS continuously supported in managing DevInfo and relevant indicators are linked to UNDAF monitoring mechanism and MDGs.</p> <p>DECODE (Development Cooperation database) administered by the Ministry of Internation Cooperation used by UN and donors</p>	<p>UNDAF M&E mechanism incorporates information through DevInfo as relevant and is coordinated in close collaboration with IDSC and CAPMAS</p> <p>UN system and donors provide information on an annual basis to inform DECODE survey, administered by MoIC. DECODE reports and CD published annually and distributed to</p>	<p>\$1,000.00</p>		<p>\$5,000.00</p>		<p>01/07/2007</p>

		to provide information on ODA and development e.g. divided by governorates, themes, donors or nationally.	UN and donors by MoIC					
	UN support to aid coordination/management	Continued support to development of donor coordination mechanism through support to the Ministry of International Cooperation and in alignment with recommendation of the OECD Paris Declaration Survey and focusing on MDG priorities. Minister of International Cooperation establishes mechanism of roundtable discussions with DAG subgroups. Information feed into UNDAF M&E mechanism. Information feeds into UNDAF M&E mechanism.	1. Monthly donors assistance group meetings held and Secretariat provided 2. Regular sub-group meetings held within 9 DAG sub-groups and monitored by RC Office 3. DAG field trip and annual retreat held 4. MoIC calls for at least one roundtable discussion with line ministries and donors and feeding into UNDAF annual review. 5. Seminar held with a view to discuss recommendations of OECD Paris Declaration Survey 6. Common areas identified among donors for aid coordination and development cooperation.	\$42,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$1,000.00		01/12/2007
UNDAF/Common Programming	Efforts to align UN programme cycle with national development cycle *	UNDAF 2007-2011 aligned with national development plan 2007-2011. Operationalised and monitored in close cooperation with national partners.	5-year national development plan published in 2007. UNDAF priorities are aligned with priorities as defined in national development plan.					
	Progress towards UNDAF outcomes (inputs provided by theme group chairs)	UN Theme or Working Groups, as mentioned below, work in alignment with the UNDAF and achievements and lessons learned are incorporated into UNDAF annual review as relevant: UN Joint team on HIV/AIDS (UNJT); UN Communications Group (UNCG); UN Disaster Management Team (DMT); UN Operations Management Team; UNDAF M&E	UN Theme or Working Groups have developed annual workplan with targets and timeframe in alignment with UNDAF and results feed into UNDAF annual review. Semi-annual and	\$1,000.00	\$3,000.00			

		Coordination Team. Specific targets for 2007 for the above Teams are mentioned below. In addition 5 UNDAF M&E task forces will be established and report on progress on each UNDAF outcome on a semi-annual and annual basis.	annual progress reports are developed by UNDAF M&E task forces.						
	UNDAF Annual Review/ UNDAF Evaluation *	1) M and E functional entities as defined in UNDAF M&E ToR formed and trained on RBM/M&E 2) UNDAF M and E table incl. indicators revised/ updated by UNDAF M&E task forces 3) Multi-stakeholder annual review meeting conducted and co-chaired by MoIC and the UN and progress according to UNDAF indicators assessed 4) Joint UN capacity building project on M&E and data collection, monitoring and utilization developed with a view to strengthen UN internal capacity and build national partners' capacity in monitoring progress on the UNDAF which will be reflected in the annual review	1) The following functional entities formally formed: 5 UNDAF M&E task forces, UNDAF Coordination Team, UNDAF Steering Committee 2) UNDAF task forces submit elaborated indicators framework to M&E Coordination Team and is approved 3) Annual review meeting is based in inputs from progress report developed by the five M&E task forces	\$20,000.00			01/05/2007	01/07/2007	15/12/2007
Joint Programmes	Preparation/ implementation of new Joint Programmes *	1. Information/ orientation meetings on joint programmes held in interested Agencies to update on guidelines, provide information of recommendations from UNDG survey of 2006 and discuss lessons learned in terms of implementation of ongoing JPs. 2. Joint UN Programme of Support on HIV and AIDS developed and endorsed reflecting	1. At least one orientation meeting held on joint programmes 2. Joint UN Programme of Support on HIV/ AIDS includes all co-sponsors' planned activities 2007-8 and is signed by UN and national partners and about 9 programmes implemented jointly 3. At least one joint project developed related to the 5-year national plan of action on	\$4,000.00	\$40,000.00		15/02/2007	01/07/2007	

		the entirety of the UN response to HIV and including joint programmes on 5 key areas and 10 key results 3. Several areas of Joint Projects identified within the 5-year National Plan of Action on Childhood and Motherhood 4. Joint programme on building national capacities on RBM, monitoring and evaluation and data collection and utilization developed and linked to UNDAF M&E framework and MDG action plan	childhood and motherhood issues 4. Joint national capacity building programme developed and funding mobilized. Implementation started in terms of RBM training of national partners.					
	M&E of Joint Programmes	1. UNDAF Output Lead Agencies as defined in the UNDAF document monitor joint programmes related to the relevant output 2. UNDAF M&E task forces report on joint programme in semiannual and annual progress reports and issues related to joint programmes addressed as deemed nessecary at UNDAF annual review meeting 3. All joint programmes are resultsbased. 4. RBM capacity of staff improved	1. UNDAF M&E task forces gather relevant infomation from Output Lead Agencies 2. Issues related to joint programmes captured in progress reports 3. All joint programmes include work plan with indicators, targets and timeframe 4. UN Staff trained on RBM	\$3,000.00				01/07/2007 01/12/2007
HACT	Plan for the roll-out/ implementation of HACT in the country							
	Strethening national systems/ capacities through HACT *	1. Orientation meeting held with Government coordinating ministries (MOIC and MOFA) on HACT implementation 2. Macro-assessment of national financial systems finalized by consultant 3. Micro-assessment of implementing partners planned and conducted 4. Database management of HACT	HACT operational		\$30,000.00			01/10/2007

Gender Equality	UN support to incorporation of gender equality in national planning processes (such as National Development Strategies; PRSPs; SWAPs; Joint Assistance Strategies, etc.)	1. Through UN support to the national Council for Women, information on the gender situation is gathered from all governorates and feed into 5 year National Development Plan (2007-2011). Follow up with prime Minister's Office and the Ministry of Economic Development to ensure incorporation and implementation of the gender aspects. 2. UN and WB support to Ministry of Finance to include gender sensitive national budgets. 3. Integrated Avian Influenza National Development Plan is made gender sensitive. 4. Support to International Women's Peace Movement to develop national action plan on how to institutionalize UN SCR 1325 on women peace and security. 5. Support the annual conference of the National Council for Women which will outline strategy on education and women based on reviw on previous efforts in this area.	1. National Development Plan 2007-11 is gender sensitive and contributes to gender equality 2. National budget is gender sensitive. 3. AI Integrated National Plan is gender sensitive. 4. National Action Plan on UNSCR 1325 finalized. 5. Annual conference held and national strategy on women developed and inputs provided by international consultants.	\$30,000.00	\$20,000.00	01/05/2007	
	Gender theme groups able to support enhanced effectiveness of UNCT to respond to national priorities for gender equality						
HIV/AIDS	Operationalization of the joint UN Team on AIDS and the UN programme of Support	1. UN Joint Team on AIDS continues to meet on a bi-monthly basis, fulfill its requirements and UN Theme Group (Heads of Agencies) meets twice a year; 2. UN Learning Strategy on HIV/AIDS minimum standards are fulfilled; 3. UN Joint Programme	1. UN Joint Team on AIDS met every second months (alternating with meetings in the Expanded Theme Group on HIV/AIDS) and UN Theme Group met at least twice; Cosponsors have officially designated members to Joint Team and HIV is included in their			01/02/2007 01/05/2007	01/12/2007

		of Support on HIV and AIDS (2007-2008) finalized and officially endorsed by the RC and the UNCT, including support in joint resource mobilization for the programme. The Programme reflects the entirety of UN support to national response and includes specific key results; 4. Advocacy for high-level endorsement of the National Strategic Plan on HIV/AIDS.	TORs and performance evaluation; 2. a) Two orientation sessions for UN staff per year held b) Staff completed CD-rom on HIV, which will be launched globally c) Support the implementation of a World AIDS Day activity for staff; 3. UN Joint Programme of support officially endorsed and bi-annual reports submitted by Joint Team to UN Theme Group 4. Multisectoral NSP finalised and endorsed at high level.				
	UN support to the national response to AIDS through strengthening the Three Ones *	As per the UN Joint Programme of Support: 1. One multisectoral NSP finalized in participatory manner 2. National HIV response is managed by one national coordinating body 3. One national M&E system for a multisectoral response is outlined and being implemented.	1. Multisectoral National AIDS Committee is formed 2. Multisectoral NSP in place including workplans for key non-health sectors and civil society 3. Technical support provided by UN to the conceptualisation of one common M&E framework for the NSP based on UNGASS indicators & Universal Access targets and relevant staff trained on M&E.	\$2,000.00	\$25,000.00		01/10/2007
Coordination of Humanitarian/ Natural Disaster Operations	Coordination of humanitarian operations *	Regional AI Planing Officer based in cairo, funded by OCHA with a view to: 1. Support Resident/ Humanitarian Coordinator and UN Country Team to be adequately prepared and able to assist government in a response. 2. Bring together inter-agency efforts at the regional level under a regional coordination platform.	Regional AI Planning Officer assisted UN Country Team and national partners in: Strategic planning, assessment and monitoring processes; Testing and simulation of UN Country Team and national plans; Information management and Support to AHI pandemic coordination platform.			31/03/2007	01/12/2007
	Preparation of crisis prevention/ natural disaster operations/plans	Support to AI Integrated National Plan and AI coordination mechanism	AI Integrated National Plan and coordination mechanism in place.			01/05/2007	

	Contingency Plan initiatives	1. UNCT Egypt Contingency Plan for Avian/Human Influenza (UN operations) kept updated 2. UN Disaster Contingency Plan produced including: a. Identify GOE focal point agency and assess capacities/ gaps b. Identify NGO partners in disaster management c. Arrange one training session for the identified NGO partners in disaster management	1. Egypt UNCT Contingency updated throughout year 2. UN Disaster Contingency Plan developed in dialogue with government and civil society partners.					01/03/2007	01/06/2007	01/09/2007	01/12/2007
Common Services and Premises	Planned initiatives to increase cost-effectiveness of UN operations, incl. common administrative services and common arrangements in support of programme delivery (including Joint Office initiative)	1. Through the UN Operations Management Team (OMT): 1) Identify 3 major common procurement items and assign lead agencies for each 2) Collect relevant data from Agencies 3) Agreement with vendors reached and endorsed by UNCT 2. Joint Project Office established in Assiut	1. Three areas of common procurement endorsed by UNCT 2. Premises identified and Joint Project Office established in Assiut, including staff hired.	\$2,000.00		\$40,000.00					01/10/2007
	Planned initiatives on common premises	Proposal finalized on possible MOSS compliant common premises in Cairo corresponding to relevant Agency needs and selection of common premisses finalised.	All UN Agencies interviewed and their feed back included in common premises proposal. Several premisses suggested and one chosen. Interested Agencies start process of moving.	\$2,000.00							01/10/2007
UN Advocacy and Resource Mobilization											
Joint UNCT Advocacy and Communications	Development/ implementation of the UNCT communications/ advocacy strategy & plan	1. Enhance the public and media profile of the UN activities / objectives in Egypt / improve prospects for fundraising 2. Create better understanding of what the UN aims to achieve in Egypt and worldwide, including an appreciation of limitation on "action"! 3. Encourage partnerships / volunteerism to achieving MDGs	80% of activities as indicated in the work plan implemented under the three themes: MDGs, UNDAF, Campaign on UN Perceptions / Relevance (see attached work plan for details). UN day implemented with staff and partners	\$1,000.00		\$7,000.00					

		and UNDAF objectives in Egypt 4. Support UN day	
Joint UNCT Resource Mobilization Strategy	Development/ implementation of RM strategy	Resource mobilisation strategy paper developed on support to UN system coordination through the RC Office and shared with donors and UNCT.	RC Office is succesful in mobilizing at least 60% of resources as indicated in proposal on support to UN system coordination.

01/03/2007

Non-Resident UN Agencies

Special measures to integrate non-resident UN agencies in UNCT processes	Supporting the Involvement of non-resident UN agencies in the national strategic planning processes/ UN programming	Non-Resident Agencies regularly invited to UNCT meetings and to provide comments to common programming initiatives.	Non-Resident Agencies are kept informed about development planning processes in Egypt.
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Coordination Capacity of the UNCT

Strengthening UNCT Coordination Capacity	RCO Staffing	Strenghtened UN coordination as well as donor coordination, including efforts to build national capacities and ensure national ownerships of M&E and donor coordination processes. UNV office contributing to UN Coordination at grass root level through establishing horizontal networks. Partial SRC funding of Head of Coordination Office, Coordination Associate and Donor Coordination Officer. Further funding and funding of UN Coordination Analyst sought elsewhere. UNV and UNV assistant daily allowances funded by UNV HQ.	Synergies created within UN system and donors and partnerships with strenghtened in coordination, evaluation and harmonization efforts. Horizontal networks created among UN agencies through UNVs.	\$95,000.00	\$150,000.00
	Materials/ Equipment				

	Training of UN staff	1. UN Induction courses held for all new UN staff every 3-4 months 2. UN Learning Strategy on HIV/AIDS implemented for all new UN staff in English and Arabic at least once 3. RBM training undertaken for UN staff in general and M&E officers in particular with a view to support UNDAF M&E process optimally	All trainings successfully undertaken	\$2,000.00	\$5,000.00	14/02/2007	01/04/2007	01/09/2007	01/12/2007
TOTAL				\$175,000.00	\$0.00	\$700,000.00	\$21,000.00		