

To:

Ms. Jennifer Topping

10 February 2012

UN Resident Coordinator
Mozambique

From:

Ms. Sara Ferrer Olivella

Officer-in-charge

MDG-F Secretariat

Subject:

Additional Funding and No-cost extension request – Amendment-MDGF:1771–

"Strengthening cultural and creative industries and inclusive policies in Mozambique"

Culture and Development Thematic Window

Dear Ms. Topping,

I. Approval Status

Further to the approved memo dated 18 November 2011 grating an initial no-cost extension until 10 February 2012 for the Joint Programme "Strengthening cultural and creative industries and inclusive policies in Mozambique" and the receipt of confirmation of interest in accessing extra-funding on 10 February 2012, we are pleased to inform you that, the MDG-F Secretariat has amended the no-cost extension request to grant an additional two months to enable the joint programme team to prepare a proposal to integrated additional funding and to amend the joint programme document accordingly.

The proposal is expected to crystallize selected programme results and take them to them next level through systematization of the pilot experience and advocacy for policy change that will provide the enabling environment for replication and scaling up of the initiative. Thus, the <u>new end date of the Joint Programme is 10 April 2012</u>. The end date of the program will be amended once again the Secretariat receives the proposal with the required documentation along with the timeframe required to implement the revised work plan.

II. Recommendations

As indicated above the joint programme team is expected to prepare:

- A proposal that includes:
 - The rationale for this extra funding along the following criteria:
 - ✓ Demonstrated performance and contribution to development results;
 - ✓ Clear national ownership, commitment and leadership of interventions;
 - ✓ Consolidation of the experience and advocacy strategy for replication and scaling up and clear commitment from national counterparts;

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- ✓ Consolidation of innovative work at the local and community levels, if applicable
- ✓ Ensuring the sustainability of development results
- Work plan with timeframe and budget.
- Signed amendment of the joint programme document by all signing partners of the programme.

The timeframe expected to prepare the proposal is four weeks, grateful if you could submit a draft to the MDFG-F Secretariat prior to formally amending the joint programme document by all signatory parties.

Additional funds would be provided to a single UN agency on behalf of the Joint Programme participating agencies, and the maximum amount allowed to charge indirect costs will be up to 7%.

III. Monitoring and Reporting

Biannual monitoring reports should continue to be prepared and submitted to the MDG-F Secretariat.

We would highly appreciate it if you could forward this memo to all participating UN agencies to the joint programme, and each participating UN agency should forward the memo to their corresponding HQs.

With best wishes.

cc.:

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