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Current Status of NSDS

• At present the NERRDP (National Economic Recovery, Reform and Development Plan) is the National Strategy
• Work to clearly define and improve environmental strategies within NERRDP has started.
Future Achievements with a NSDS

• Attain Sustainable Economic Growth.
• Stronger Social Equity
• Increase Environmental Integration at the National Planning level.
• Sustainable Peace and Security
• Good Governance

Mechanism for Participation

• Broad involvement and participation of all stakeholders.
• National consultation
• Awareness/ Media and education
• Public Forum discussion
  – National Government Ministries and Departments
  – Members of Parliament
  – Provincial Governments
  – Provincial Premiers
  – Civil Society
  – House of Chiefs, Churches,
Mechanism for Participation

- Broad involvement and participation of all stakeholders.
  - Private Sectors
  - Civil Society
  - NGOs
  - Development Partners
  - Regional and international Institutions

Mechanism for Participation

- Establishment of Working Groups.
  - NERRDP Working Committee
  - NERRDP Reference Group – Permanent Secretaries
Mechanism for Participation

• Means of Information Gathering.
  – Written Submissions
  – Individual Consultation
  – Consultative workshops
  – Public Forum
  – Outcomes of surveys

Best Practices in National Planning, Development & Implementation

• Ownership and participation of the population in implementing the NERRDP
• People centered and focused
• Strategies shaped and measured according available resources (human and financial resources)
Challenges

• Availability of Resources
• Ownership and understanding of the importance of NSDS
• Getting an appropriate strategies that would address the varying environmental and cultural diversities that exist within the country.
• Canvassing necessary donor support to implement NSDS in full rather than partially
• Capacity constraints in implementing evaluating and monitoring progress
• Level of Commitment and coordination by stakeholders
• Security Environment
• Political Stability
• Good Governance

Challenges

• High population growth
• Unequal distribution of development activities throughout the country
• Opening up opportunities for the rural population
Next Steps

• Incorporation of a NSDS within NERRDP
• Identify Strategies with necessary national and external resources
• Coordinate implementation nationally

THE END

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