



EU-TAPPing Potential

Building Capacity in Public Financial Management



BUILDING CAPACITY AND TRANSPARENCY

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Across South Sudan, County and State government administrators are participating in a continuing "hands on" capacity building, training program in Payroll and Public Finance Management.



Working alongside federal and state representatives of Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning (MoFEP), Public Service and Local Government Board, the European Union Technical Assistance for Sub-National Capacity Building in Payroll and PFM in South Sudan (EU-TAPP) is building the capacity and tapping the potential of County Governments to effectively perform their responsibilities regarding Public Financial Management (PFM) and Payroll



EU TAPP deploys 25 experts and support staff across South Sudan's 10 states providing on the job training (OJT) in planning and budgeting, financial management and reporting.

Expert says that OJT provides opportunities not available in a classroom environment. "OJT allows the trainers to see the challenges and obstacles that Payroll and PFM staff face in the workplace, in real time which allows them to intervene as the work is actually happening".

The project also supports the establishment and operation of County Transfer Monitoring Committees in each state.

Paulino Bol works for MoFEP where he's been in charge of those money transfers for the past four years. "We at the Ministry Level provide technical support to the state, we bring them every year to train them on how to plan and prepare their budgets". The upcoming year's, budget planning conference is scheduled to convene during the last week of August.

EU TAPP also provides support to county governments and as necessary to the state ministries that fund, facilitate and have policy direction over county governments and their departments.

Martin Maciek, Director of Training and Programs for the Local Government Board says he hopes the benefit to the citizens from this capacity building program will be obvious.

"The truth is, what the average citizen wants to see is a working school with well paid teachers that will be able to deliver, that's one thing."

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■ What's the story?

State and County administrators are two thirds of the way through an 18 month training effort toward effectively performing their responsibilities in meeting requirements of planning and budgeting; financial management/accounting; preparing and submitting quarterly budget performance reports/financial reporting.

Support at State level to analyse current payrolls, identify county staff, separate state and county staff payrolls.

Support to County Administration Departments to properly manage payroll; implement SSEPS II, construct County nominal rolls and payrolls; make salary payments whilst adhering to all procedures.

Support the establishment and operation of County Transfer Monitoring Committee (CTMCs).

■ By The Numbers

European Union funded €4.5 million to build capacity of Local Governments over 18 Months.

25 experts and support staff deployed across South Sudan's **10 states**.

State training teams travelled to **45 counties** during the last reporting quarter.

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