Paving the Road to the SDGs through Good Local Governance
Theory of Change

Outcome

Empowered communities benefit from increased connectivity and improved access to basic services and increased commerce through effective, responsive and inclusive road governance, and citizens are thus able to live longer and healthier, and enjoy life opportunities.

Output/Results

17 Governance hubs strengthened to provide continuous technical support to LGUs, DILG and citizen monitors for the CMGP-Roads2SDGs implementation. 78 provinces nationwide provided with QA support. At least 200 monitors trained to monitor road projects. All-weather, appropriate, sustainable, climate resilient road network in all 78 provinces due to QA component of the project.

Assumption

Technical experts are available to assist the project Roads2SDGs. Governance HUBS are sustained through business model. CSOs effectively engaged.

UNDP administrative and technical support facilitate the project delivery and enhance the quality of road networks, road governance and the impact on SDGs. Capacities effectively utilized by LGUs, DILG.

Outputs

• Governance HUBS strengthened to provide technical support to the CMGP-Roads2SDGs
• Citizens trained to participate in the planning and monitoring of effective road governance processes
• Setting up of Governance HUBS
• Localizing SDGs in governance process
• Citizen monitors organizing, capacity building and mobilizing
• Capacity enhancement to LGUs and DILG for CMGP-Roads2SDGs
• Capacity of LGUs and DILG to plan, design, implement and maintain roads further enhanced

Activities

• The Capacity Development Component of CMGP-Roads2SDGs will enable appropriate, sustainable and resilient road design
• Improved procurement planning process will result in better road planning and design
• Civil society monitors can be mobilized and sustainably engaged by the LGUs and DILG for the Roads2SDGs project implementation
• Governance HUBS are functioning and has the capacity to provide experts to be engaged for the project delivery

Assumption

Components

Strengthen Governance HUBS to provide technical support to provincial governments, citizens and DILG.

Further enhance Capacities of Provincial Governments and DILG on effective governance.

Components

Mobilise citizens to instill transparency and accountability in the implementation of road projects in 78 provinces

Provision of technical assistance, operations and support by the UNDP Governance Unit.

Key Issues

Local communities especially in rural areas have limited access to basic government services and economic opportunities because of the lack of roads and road networks.

• Poor quality road networks are linked to poverty, especially in rural areas.
• Road projects are highly vulnerable to graft and corruption, poor planning and design, failed procurement bid and stakeholder opposition
• Public Financial Management systems of LGUs are relatively weak, if not, nil.
• Governance processes around roads need strengthening so that investments become effective and sustainable, i.e., citizens do not have a role in the quality assurance of the CMGP, which results in a broadened space for corruption, collusion and poor performance of both contractors and LGUS.