IDB Promoting Technical Cooperation among Member Countries

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Evolution of IDB’s Technical Cooperation

Reverse Linkage, New Mechanism for Scaling up Technical Cooperation

Established Partnerships
IDB: long standing tradition of promoting technical cooperation amongst its MCs

1981: Makkah Declaration of the 3rd Islamic Conference Summit

1983: Launching of IDB Technical Cooperation Program

1992–2010: Many programs
Trade Cooperation and Promotion Programme, Science & Technology, Investment Promotion Technical Assistance Program

TCP: Focus on skill development

Hundreds of thousands of persons trained and experts
More 2,500 operations funded with millions of grants
Wealth of knowledge available in MCs but all MCs do not have mechanism to share that experiences

Short term interventions are not sufficient, long term & programmatic approaches are needed for technical cooperation

Focus of technical cooperation should not be only limited to one dimension of capacity development, i.e. individual

All technical cooperation should be result-oriented from the design

Since 1983: experience gained and lessons learned

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Introduction of a new mechanism for capacity development under the Technical Cooperation Program: Reverse Linkage

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2010: Reverse Linkage
Reverse Linkage: mechanism whereby MCs exchange their expertise, knowledge, technology and resources to develop their capacities and devise solutions for their autonomous development.
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4 MOU related to reverse linkage signed with MCs institutions

**BAPPENAS**: Indonesia National Development Planning Agency

**AMCI**: Moroccan Agency for International Cooperation

**TIKA & SESRIC**: Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency & The Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries

**EAPD**: Egyptian Agency of Partnership for Development
What did we do so far under reverse linkage?

- Started a mapping exercise for resource centers with MCs
- Geo-mapping System
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Joint Publication with the UN Office for SSC

High Level Meetings on Country-led Knowledge
IDB status of a “Content Partner” & hosts round-table sessions on reverse linkage

External positioning
UN Office for South-South Cooperation & World Bank Institute
(peer reviewing & knowledge product development)
IDB considers it crucial to strengthen existing partnerships with MCs Technical Cooperation Institutions.
What can we do together to address the high demand & high expectations of MCs?

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How can we do it?