

# **Commitment to Operationalize the SDP**

## **Timor-Leste Development Partners Meeting 2013**

We have gathered at the 2013 TLDPM on June 19 and 20 to begin a new trajectory in the development of Timor-Leste. That trajectory is firmly built on the work we have done together from our local experience to the globally accepted trends in development for fragile and conflict affected settings and States.

We pledge our continued support to those foundations which guide our actions since adopting the SDP including accelerating our pursuit towards the Millennium Development Goals, the Dili Development Pact and the New Deal for Engagement in Fragile States. We will continue our work acutely aware the impending time for the MDG process will enter a transition in 2015 and that our work within the next two years will be critical to the global development transition.

We hereby commit to the following Action Plans:

1. We, the delegates of the 2013 Timor-Leste Development Partners Meeting re affirm our commitment to reflect on our development partnerships and to coordinate cooperation to improve outcomes for the people of Timor-Leste.
2. We reaffirm our recognition of the Timor-Leste Strategic Development Plan and commit to achieving its goal “to transition Timor-Leste from a low income to upper middle income country, with a healthy, well educated and safe population by 2030.”
3. We confirm commitment to the New Deal and our alignment to its themes of country-led and country-owned development, prioritizing and following the principles articulated in the Peacebuilding and Statebuilding Goals, FOCUS and TRUST.
4. We affirm that development must be sustainable and we must be conscious of our environment and the context that supports sustainability. We must continually evaluate this environment to ensure both short term gains and long term objectives can be met.
5. We recognise that coordination must be improved between all stakeholders to achieve the goal of the Strategic Development Plan and confirm our commitment to re-enforcing clear roles and responsibilities and streamlined efforts are necessary to improve coordination and accelerate progress.
6. We identify the need for sectoral coordination, monitoring and evaluation and commit to work together to continue developing an action plan for each of the four strategic sectors: Social, Economic, Infrastructure Development and Governance and Institutional Building, for review at the Quarterly Development Partners Meeting. Through the Sectoral Action Plans we aim to accelerate attainment of Timor-Leste’s MDGs by 2015.
7. We acknowledge the importance of the Matrix to Operationalize the SDP as the link that binds the strategic sectors of the SDP, Government Plan, the New Deal and MDGs to establish key performance indicators and enable us to monitor results.
8. We also commit to establishing a Joint Review Mission to monitor and evaluate the Sectoral Progress in 2014.
9. The Joint Review Mission will review progress against the Matrix to Operationalize the SDP, identifying achievements and impediments, bottlenecks or roadblocks that are hindering progress of our sustainable development.
10. We agree to utilize a 2015 Mid-Term Review to evaluate our achievements and our commitment to move from fragility to resilience by 2015.

We recognise and support the Prime Minister’s statement in his opening address that “the challenges we face are immense and that the only way that they can be overcome is through an integrated and sustainable development.” We answer his call to continue walking together so we “may continue to transform Timor-Leste into the country that we all want it to be.”

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