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"What took place...

Persons With Albinism Support Programme (PWASP) – Implementation Induction Course

In preparation for the launch of the Persons with Albinism Support Programme (PWASP), a two weeks induction course for District Gender and Social Development Officers and County Coordinators was conducted countrywide from 14th - 22nd February this year. The programme will be launched at a date to be confirmed between April and May 2013.

The induction sessions were held in six venues including Kisumu, Nakuru, Kakamega, Eldoret, Embu and Mombasa, at different dates.

Key components of the course included targeting and census. Participants were familiarized with the programme guidelines and the targeting tool to enable appropriate application of the same. Besides actual targeting, the developed targeting tool was also used for a census exercise, to gather statistics and build data for persons with Albinism in the country. Targeting exercise for the programme will start in March this year.

The PWASP is fully funded by the Government of Kenya and will start as a

pilot programme targeting , 400 individual beneficiaries from Nairobi constituency and 10 from each of the other constituencies.

Beneficiaries will receive a bottle of sunscreen lotion every month dispensed through designated Health Centres located in all constituencies, during which they (beneficiaries) will also enjoy value added medical health service when necessary. The Ministry of Health and the Kenya Medical Supplies Association (KEMSA) will be instrumental in the dispensation of both the lotion and health care services.



Diana Muyala, (standing) Programme Officer, MGCSO conducts a training session on the PWASP at the Rift Valley Technical Training Institute in Eldoret on 22nd February 2013. The training was attended by County and District Gender and Social Development Officers from the Ministry.

Kenya National Safety Net Program for Results Pre-Appraisal Mission “Coming Up in March...”

The Kenya National Safety Net Programme For Results Pre - Appraisal Mission took place as scheduled from 11th – 26th February 2013. Sessions of the meeting were held in Naivasha and Nairobi on diverse dates.

The mission is part of preparation activities preceding the implementation of the National Safety Net Programme (NSNP) under the Program for Results (PFR) arrangement to be launched at the start of 2013/14 fiscal year.

NSNP will be supported by the World Bank through the “Programme for Results”, under which disbursement of funds will only be made upon achievement of agreed results. Other partners involved in the NSNP include DFID and UNICEF. Participants in the mission included the Cash Transfer Working Group team drawn from the Ministry of Gender, Children and

Social Development and the Ministry of Northern Kenya and other Arid Lands. Development partners were also well represented in the Mission.

The mission sought to build consensus on pertinent issues of the programme among them the Disbursement Linked Indicators, Monitoring and Evaluation Framework, Medium Term Expenditure Framework, capacity requirements including Technical Assistance, expansion of the programme and the verification protocols.

The NSNP will create a framework around which the five main Cash Transfer programmes including Persons With Severe Disabilities Cash Transfer, Older Persons Cash Transfer, Urban Food Subsidy Programme Cash Transfer, Orphaned and Vulnerable Children Cash Transfer and the Hunger Safety Net Programme Cash Transfer will be coordinated and harmonized. The

mission will culminate into the development of an Aide Memoire to be signed by the government and development Partners.



Group work at the NSNP Pre-Appraisal Mission in Naivasha on 13th February 2013

Programme Officers oriented to the UFSP PDM Tool

Programme Officers from MGCSD’s Social Welfare/Persons With Disabilities division, Planning and the Social Protection Secretariat attended a one day symposium organized for the purpose of orienting the team to the recently launched Urban Food Subsidy Post Disbursement Monitoring (PDM) tool. The symposium was organized by the Social Protection Secretariat and was held at the Secretariate’s office in Nairobi.

Besides the PDM tool orientation, partici-

pants were also exposed to the National Safety Net Programme’s Monitoring and Evaluation framework, currently being developed. The UFSP and the rest of the Cash Transfer programmes’ monitoring reports will feed into the NSNP once it becomes operational in the next financial year.

The PDM tool was developed by Concern Oxfam consortium with financial support from World Bank late last year and was used in the first round of the UFSP PDM conducted in January this year.

• Pre-Testing of Monitoring and Evaluation tools

An exercise to pre-test the recently developed Monitoring and Evaluation framework tools for the Kenya National Safety Net Programme will be conducted in the last week of March 2013 in Nyanza and Western regions.

The exercise will entail spot check monitoring of the Older Persons Cash Transfer programme (OPCT) and the Persons With Severe Disabilities Cash Transfer (PWSD-CT). It will be undertaken by Programme Officers from the Ministry of Gender Children and Social Development (MGCSD) and the SP Secretariat team.

The M&E framework has been developed by the Social Protection Secretariat in partnership with the World Bank, UNICEF and DFID.

The Pre-testing exercise will also be conducted in other parts of the country within the first half of the year.

• Targeting for Persons With Albinism Support Programme (PWASP)

Targeting for Persons With Albinism Support Programme (PWASP) is expected to start in the last week of March 2013. It will be conducted in all constituencies.