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ACRONYMS

AGD Accountant General's Department
CIDPs County Integrated Development Plans
CISA Certified Information Systems Audit

DFC DANIDA Fellowship Centre GRB Gender Responsive Budgeting

IFMIS Information Financial Management Information System

IGFR-D Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations Department
ISACA Information Systems Audit and Control Association

IT Information Technology

KGSP Kenya Governance Support Programme

KRA Kenya Revenue Authority

MDAs Ministries Departments and Agencies

MTP Medium Term Plan

OAG Office of the Auditor General OCOB Office of Controller of Budget

OSR Own Source Revenue

PAC Parliamentary Accounts Committee PFMR Public Financial Management Reforms

PIC Public Investment Committee

PSASB Public Sector Accounting Standards Board

RAB Registration of Accountants Board

RCPSB Registration of Certified Public Secretaries Board

RDE Royal Danish Embassy

SAGAs Semi Autonomous Government Agencies

SDGs Sustainable development Goals

TADAT Tax Administration Diagnostic Assessment Tool

WVAT Withholding Value Added Tax

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Government of Denmark has been a key partner supporting PFM Reforms in Kenya. The National Treasury entered into a bilateral agreement with the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding support to the Public Finance Management Reforms Strategy in Kenya (covered under the Kenya Country Programme 2016-2020). The total grant amount is **DKK 45 Million** covering four years for the programme.

The key institutions identified for the support include; Office of the Auditor General (OAG), Office of the Controller of Budget (OCOB), Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) and National Treasury departments that includes Accountant General, Public Procurement, IFMIS, Internal Audit, Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations and the PFMR Secretariat. Consequently, the Royal Danish Embassy made a disbursement of Kshs **204,634,210.86** targeting ten (10) implementing agencies for the FY 2018/2019 to be coordinated through the PFMR programme.

In the financial year 2017/18 a total of Kshs **188,074,180.00** remained unutilized and thus carried forward to 2018/2019. Following consultations between the RDE, the implementing agencies and the PFMR Secretariat work plans were developed. The RDE formally approved the work plans totaling to Kshs **392,708,390.86**. The allocation of funds per implementing agency is as follows (Kshs):-

| Agency | Budget FY 17/18 rolled over | Budget FY 18/19 | Total Budget FY |
|--------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | to 18/19 | | 18/19 |
| MoDP | 11,779,640.00 | 10,000,000.00 | 21,779,640.00 |
| MAFD | 11,283,001.00 | 8,000,000.00 | 19,283,001.00 |
| AGD | 26,284,063.00 | 30,000,000.00 | 56,284,063.00 |
| IFMIS | 19,527,484.00 | 23,000,000.00 | 42,527,484.00 |
| OCOB | 11,147,750.00 | 16,700,000.00 | 27,847,750.00 |
| IGFRD | 5,804,636.00 | 16,000,000.00 | 21,804,636.00 |
| OAG | 40,184,653.00 | 40,000,000.00 | 80,184,653.00 |
| KRA | 27,899,754.00 | 26,000,000.00 | 53,899,754.00 |
| PFMRS | 12,857,661.00 | 19,934,210.86 | 32,791,871.86 |
| IAD | 21,305,538.00 | 15,000,000.00 | 36,305,538.00 |
| Sum | 188,074,180.00 | 204,634,210.86 | 392,708,390.86 |

2.0 PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

A summary of the planned activities and the implementation status for the period under review for all implementing agencies are as follows.

2.1 OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER OF BUDGET

2.1.1 Introduction

The Office of the Controller of Budget (OCOB) is an independent Office established under Article 228 of the Constitution of Kenya 2012. Its role is to oversee the implementation of budgets of the National and County governments and report to each House of Parliament and to ensure the public has access to this information as stipulated under Section 39(8) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 and Article 35 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010.

Under this mandate, the Office should ensure that the public has access to information and participates in a democratic manner in the development and execution of budgets. The public therefore needs to know that it provides the consent to incur expenses and should therefore participate in budget formulation by identifying priorities, the location and timing of projects and to ensure equitable distribution of resources.

2.1.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The 2018/19 work plan for the Office of the Controller of Budget focused on strengthening in-year monitoring and reporting and strengthening statutory reporting. In the Financial year 2018/2019, the OCOB implemented the following activities:-

| PFMR Strategi c Interve ntion(s) | Expected Results | Indicators | Status of Indica tor | Planned Activities | Actual Achievem ent | Actual Expend iture (Kshs) | Rema rks/C omme nts |
|---|--|--|-------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Strength ening statutor y reportin g | OCOB is able to meet its statutory obligations for reporting on budget implementa tion effectively | Budget implement ation reports produced in time Proportion of OCOB officers trained on budget implement ation | | Build the capacity of OCOB for reporting on budget implementa tion | OCOB and County Governme nt staff trained on Budget Analysis Purchased scanners used in implement ation of EDRMS | 9,699,1 40 1,070,0 05 | Traini ng done in Momb asa |

2.1.3 Budget Performance

The Office of the Controller of Budget had a balance of Kshs 11,147,750.00 from 2017/2018 allocation. This balance was brought forward to 2018/19. The Department was allocated Kshs 16,700,000.00 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/2019 for the department was thus Kshs 27,847,750.00. As at 30th June, 2019 the department had spent Kshs 10,769,145.00 representing an absorption rate of 38.67 percent. The main reason for the low absorption rate is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December, 2018.

2.2 OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

2.2.1 Introduction

The Office of the Auditor General (OAG) is an independent Office established under Article 229 of the Constitution of Kenya. The Office is charged with the primary oversight role of ensuring accountability within the three arms of government (the Legislature, the Judiciary and the Executive) as well as the Constitutional Commissions and the other independent Office (Controller of Budget).

The office is not able to meet the timelines as required by the Constitution due to the various challenges; Delay and inadequate funding for audit operations, inadequate staffing and training, poor follow-up of audit recommendations and inadequate IT skills and capacity building. With the expanded mandate, there is dire need to build staff capacity and develop relevant skills and capabilities, re-engineering of systems and re-tooling that will enable the OAG cope with the tremendously increasing demands. The interventions have been detailed in the revised PFMR Strategy.

2.2.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The Office of the Auditor General work plan for 2018/19 focused on strengthening capacity of Independent Audit and strengthening audit follow up. In the Financial year 2018/2019, the OAG implemented the following activities:-

| PFMR Strategi c Interve ntion(s) | Expecte d Results | Indicat ors | Status of Indicat or | Planned Activities | Actual Achieveme nt | Actual Expenditu re | Remarks / Commen ts |
|--|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Strength ening capacity of | OAG is able to timely produce | Number of MDAs and | | Data analytical analysis | Data Analytics training | 10,000,000 | 10 Sept-5 Oct 2018 |
| Indepen dent Audit | annual audit reports | counties whose annual audits are underta | | 50 licences for Teammat e version 12 | Teammate Audit management software licenses | 10,983,383 | |
| | | ken | | IFMIS Audit | IFMIS Training | 4,252,350 | 16 July - 10 Aug 2018 |
| | | | | Training | IFMIS Audit Training | 335,200 | |
| | | | | | Training on CCNA for Administrati | 3,983,555 | 13-17 Aug 2018 |

| | | | on of CISCO | | |
|--|--|---|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| | | Training auditors on Teammat e version 12 | Teammate Version 12.2 training | 2,860,000 | 30 July- 3 Aug 2018 |

2.2.3 Budget Performance

The Office of the Auditor General had a balance of Kshs 40,184,653.00 from 2017/2018 allocation which was carried forward to 2018/19. The Department was allocated Kshs 40,000,000.00 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/2019 for the department was thus Kshs 80,184,653.00. As at 30th June, 2019 the department had spent Kshs 39,329,705.00 representing an absorption rate of 49.05 percent. The main reason for the low absorption rate is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December, 2018.

2.3 KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY

2.3.1 Introduction

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) is a corporate body which was formed in 1995 by an Act of Parliament (KRA Act 1995, Cap 469) to collect revenue on behalf of the Government. It was entrusted with the responsibility of administration, collection, accounting for taxes and enforcement of laws relating to tax revenue administration. The laws administered by KRA therefore legally constitute its functional departments, namely Domestic Taxes Department and Customs & Border Control Departments.

Following the review of the 2013 – 2018 Public Finance Management Reforms (PFMR) Strategy, the following key interventions were proposed as a way forward; broaden the tax base, implement seamless interfaces with key third party systems and revamp and strengthen tax payer education programmes. Implement a compliance risk management strategy to raise tax payer compliance with legislation. Revamp and strengthen the debt collection programme. Improve customer satisfaction with KRA services through better access and use of automated services and simplified and better responsive complaints management systems. Implement a tax payer education strategy aimed at enhancing compliance and Implement a fully automated single collector services for taxpayers.

2.3.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The Kenya Revenue Authority work plan for 2018/19 focused on enhancing Tax Revenue collection. The following activities were implemented by the department during the period under review:-

| PFMR Strategic Intervent | Expected Results | Indica tors | Status of Indicat | Planned Activiti es | Actual Achieveme nt | Actual Expendit ure | Remarks /Comme nts |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------|--|
| Enhancin g Tax Revenue collection | KRA is able to improve its tax complian ce and enhance revenue collection significan tly | Tax revenu e to GDP ratio No. of active taxpay er % of Prioriti zed Traini ng Areas imple mente d | 17.7% 3.8 Million (as at March 2018) | Implem ent a program me to broaden tax base Enhance capacity building in tax administ ration for prioritiz ed areas | Training officers in Business Intelligence ,Data Analytics TADAT Sensitization in regions TADAT Sensitization | 252,000 313,865 413,000 | Mombasa , Kisumu and South Rift 20 Aug 2018 and 20 Nov 2018 Nairobi 3 Aug 2018 |

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|---|---|
| n for KRA Officers | |
| | 16 July 2018 |
| mariamina. | 31 July 2018 |
| CBK integration training to KRA officers | Embu(2 Aug 2018) and Naivasha (13 Jul 2018) |
| | 2 Nov 2018 |
| Workshop | Nakuru 20 Nov 2018 |
| IFMIS, ITAX & CBK integration training to KRA | Nairobi |

| | | officers- County & KRA officers | | |
|--|--|---|-----------|---------|
| | | Coaching for performanc e Training | 1,800,000 | Nairobi |
| | | cdfS, IFMIS ,ITAX training | 420,000 | Nairobi |

2.3.3 Budget Performance

The Kenya Revenue Authority had a balance of Kshs 27,899,754.00 from 2017/2018 allocation .This balance was brought forward to 2018/19. The Department was allocated Kshs 26,000,000.00 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/20109 for the department was thus Kshs 53,899,754.00. As at 30th June, 2019 the department had spent Kshs 14,370,862.76 representing an absorption rate of 26.66 percent. The main reason for the low absorption rate is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December, 2018.

2.4 THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

2.4.1 Introduction

The Accountant General's Department (AGD) is a department within the National Treasury and is responsible for planning, developing and implementing Government accounting policy, systems and procedures including computerization programmes of accounting systems and monitoring revenue collection and expenditures that are approved by Parliament. The mission of the department is to continuously provide quality accounting Services in the Public sector through proper maintenance of accounting records, timely provision of financial reports and ensuring proper accountability of public funds.

2.4.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The Accountant General's Department work plan for 2018/19 focused on strengthening inyear monitoring and reporting and strengthening statutory reporting. The Accountant General Department implemented the following activities in the period under review:-

| PFMR Strategic | Expect ed | Indicator s | Status of Indicator | Planned Activities | Actual Achiev | Actual Expenditu | Remarks / |
|------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Interventi | Results | | | | ement | re | Commen |
| on(s) | NIT | O | A 11 | Build | T | 10 206 027 | ts KSG- |
| Strengthe | NT, | Quarterly | All MDAs are | | Trainin | 19,306,937 | |
| n in-year monitorin | produce | consolidat ed | submittin | capacity on MDAs | g of MDAs, | | Lower Kabete |
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| g and reporting | y and | statement | g quarterly | county | s & | | 14 th May- |
| reporting | half- | s that | financial | governme | SAGA | | 8 th June |
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| | reports | financial | | w.e.f July | govern | | |
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|-------------|--|--|-----------|---|
| | | S & Funds Technic al consult ancy services on FR to MDAS, | 9,731,067 | 12th August 2018-11th August 2019 |
| | | Agenci es & Project | | |

2.4.3 Budget Performance

The Accountant General's Department had a balance of Kshs 26,284,063.00 from 2017/2018 allocation, which was carried forward to 2018/19. The Department was allocated Kshs 30,000,000.00 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/2019 for the department was thus Kshs 56,284,063.00. As at 30th June, 2018 the department had spent Kshs 54,337,207.55 representing an absorption rate of 96.54 percent. The main reason for the non absorption of the total funds is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December, 2018.

2.5 INTERNAL AUDITOR GENERAL DEPARTMENT

2.5.1 Introduction

The Office of the Internal Auditor-General is an office in the National Treasury which was established by Section 9 of the Government Financial Management Act, 2004, and continued by section 210(15) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012. The key mandate of the Department includes:

- a) Reviewing the governance mechanisms of the entity and mechanisms for transparency and accountability;
- b) Conducting risk-based, value for money and systems audits aimed at strengthening internal control mechanisms that could have an impact on achievement of the strategic objectives of the entity;
- c) Verifying the existence of assets administered by the entity and ensuring that there are proper safeguards for their protection;
- d) Providing assurance that appropriate institutional policies and procedures and good business practices are followed by the entity; and
- e) Evaluating the adequacy and reliability of information available to management for making decisions with regard to the entity and its operations

The key areas which require support include development of risk assessment frameworks for internal audit, providing guidelines for information system audit, enhancing the reporting structure for the internal audit at national government, establishment of internal audit structures at the counties and establishment of audit committees both within counties and national government entities.

2.5.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The Internal Auditor General work plan for 2018/19 focused on improving effectiveness of Internal Audit function. The following activities were implemented during the period under review:-

| PFMR | Expect | Indicat | Statu | Planned | Actual | Actual | Remarks/ |
|-------------|----------|---------|-------|-----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| Strategic | ed | ors | s of | Activitie | Achieve | Expenditure | Comments |
| Interventi | Results | | Indic | S | ment | | |
| on(s) | | | ator | | | | |
| Improve | Nation | 22 | | Training | Training | 970,800.00 | 2-4 |
| effectivene | al | Ministe | | of Audit | on | | October |
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| | License s | IDEA Data Analysis Software | Softwar e license | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------|---|
| Internal Auditor s attend AFIIA and IIA Annual Confer ence | 25 internal auditors to attend AFIIA and IIA Annual Confere nce | IIA Annual Conferen ces | IIA Internati onal Confere nce | 5,648,009.70 | California ,USA 7-10 July 2019 |

2.5.3 Budget Performance

The Internal Auditor General Department had a balance of Kshs 21,305,538.00 from 2017/2019 allocation. This balance was brought forward to 2018/19. The Department was allocated Kshs 15,000,000.00 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/2019 for the department was thus Kshs 36,305,538.00 . As at 30th June, 2019 the department had spent Kshs 8,661,525.70 representing an absorption rate of 23.86 percent. The main reason for the low absorption rate is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December 2018. The late approval of the work plan reduced implementation time of planned activities.

2.6 INTEGRATED FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

2.6.1 Introduction

The department was established at the National Treasury to ensure full adoption of Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS) and has the responsibility of automating and integrating PFM systems within Government so as to facilitate efficient and effective execution of all financial management processes eliminate risks and enhance security. IFMIS is an automated system that enhances efficiency in planning, budgeting, procurement, expenditure management and reporting in both National and County Governments. The issues that need to be addressed for the IFMIS to become a fully functional end-to-end system include.

- a) Integrating the IFMIS with other key PFM related systems, improving the stability and availability of the network infrastructure and the establishing a Disaster Recovery Site (DRS) to assure the system again failure due to disasters. These areas are necessary to improve the security and reliability of the IFMIS.
- b) Unreliable local area networks and infrastructure; and also Unreliable Wide Area Network between the Counties and the IFMIS datacenter
- c) Counties are not fully utilizing the IFMIS for preparing their budgets.
- d) The IFMIS is not being utilized for carrying out bank reconciliations at the counties.
- e) Counties have continued to maintain parallel sets of books of accounts
- f) Counties are unable to prepare their financial statements off the IFMIS and continue to use manual methods.
- g) The cash management functionality within IFMIS is not optimally utilized.

2.6.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The Integrated Financial Management Information System work plan for 2018/19 focused on strengthening cash management to improve execution of the budget. The IFMIS Department implemented the following activities in the period under review:-

| PFMR Strategi c Interve ntion(s) | Expec ted Result s | Indic ators | Stat us of Indi cato r | Planned Activities | Actual Achievem ent | Actual Expenditure | Remarks/Co mments |
|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Strength ening cash manage ment to improve executio n of the budget | Autom ated Cash Plans and Exche quer release proces s in IFMIS | Cash Flow Plans captur ed, consol idated and updat ed in | | Capacity building of MDAs and County Governme nts on Cash Flow Planning, Exchequer | Contract for implement ation ,training & support of GOK cash manageme nt solution | 6,201,360.00 32,092,045.00 | Jan-Sep 2018 |

| | IFMI | Release | Training | April 28th - |
|--|------|---------|--|--------------|
| | S | Process | on cash | 22 June 2019 |
| | | | manageme nt planning ,forecastin g & IT security manageme nt | |
| | | | | |

2.6.3 Budget Performance

The IFMIS Department had a balance of Kshs 19,527,484.00 from 2017/2018 allocation which was carried forward to 2018/19. The Department was allocated Kshs 23,000,000.00 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/2019 for the department was thus Kshs 42,527,484.00. As at 30th June, 2019 the department had spent Kshs 38,891,691.20 representing an absorption rate of 91.45 percent. The main reason for the low absorption rate is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December, 2019.

2.7 NATIONAL TREASURY AND PLANNING-STATE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

2.7.1 Introduction

Kenya Vision 2030 is the country's long term development blue print that aims to transform Kenya into a newly industrializing, middle income country providing high quality of life to its citizens. The Vision is being implemented through five-year successive medium term plans. The First Medium Term Plan covered the Period 2008-2012 while the second MTP covers the period 2013 to 2017. The Ministry has prepared and launched the Third MTP 2018-2022. The Third Medium Term Plan outlines policies, programmes and projects for implementation over the period 2018-2022.

2.7.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The State Department for Planning and Statistics work plan for 2018/19 focused on strengthening strategic planning. The department implemented the following activities in the period under review:-

| PFMR Strategic Intervent ion(s) | Expected Results | Indica tors | Status of Indicat or | Planned Activities | Actual Achieve ment | Actual Expendi ture | Remarks / Commen ts |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|--------------------------------|---|
| Strengthe n Strategic Planning | Harmonis ed national and county plans, budgets and implemen tation reports prepared using common formats | Count y Planni ng Handb ook | Draft County Plannin g Handbo ok develop ed | Developm ent and disseminat ion of the County Planning Handbook | Workshop in drafting of county planning handbook conducted Developm ent of assessmen t tools for the county planning hand book | 5,750,17 0 6,574,47 0 | Mombasa 13th- 22nd June 2019 Mombasa 27 June-7 July 2019 |
| | and strengthe ning the link between resource allocation Key investmen t opportuni | Key invest ment opport unities in Kenya bookle ts develo ped | Draft key investm ent opportu nities develop ed | Prepare and print key investmen t opportunit ies in Kenya booklet | Preparatio n of key investmen t opportunit ies done | 6,428,50 | Naivasha 17-26 June 2019 |

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2.7.3 Budget Performance

The State Department for Planning had a balance of Kshs 11,779,640.00 from 2017/2018 allocation. This balance was brought forward to 2018/19. The Department was allocated Kshs 10,000,000.00 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/2019 for the department was thus Kshs 21,779,640.00 . As at 30th June, 2019 the department had spent Kshs 18,144,140.00 representing an absorption rate of 83.31 percent. The main reason for the low absorption rate is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December, 2018. The late approval of the work plan reduced implementation time of planned activities.

2.8 MACRO AND FISCAL AFFAIRS

2.8.1 Introduction

The overall objective in this area is to strengthen macro-economic forecasting in line with macro-economic fiscal policies. The Government will therefore continue with its efforts to improve macro-economic forecasting. This is a high priority project that will provide a realistic and reliable basis for development of macro-economic forecasts that can be depended upon for evaluation of various policy scenarios, improve economic analysis and provide a solid basis for the construction of the fiscal framework.

The PFMR Strategy (2013-2018) identified a number of interventions to meet this objective. These included building capacity in macro-economic forecasting, analysis and management, acquiring a modern macro-economic model and developing a database to support macro-economic analysis.

2.8.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The Macro and Fiscal Affairs Department work plan for 2018/19 focused on strengthening macro-economic forecasts. The following activities were planned for the period:-

| PFMR Strategic Intervention | Expected Results | Indi cato rs | Status of Indica | Planned Activities | Actual Achieve ment | Actual Expendit ure | Remarks / Commen |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|------------------------|---|--|---------------------------|------------------|
| Strengthen macro-economic forecasts | Capacity of NT for macroeco nomic forecastin g, analysis and managem ent is strengthen ed | Num ber of staff train ed | tor | Capacity building in macro- economic forecasting , analysis and manageme nt Modern macroecon omic model Develop a database to support macroecon omic analysis | No activity implemen ted in FY 2018/19 | - | |

2.8.3 Budget Performance

The Macro and Fiscal Affairs Department had a balance of Kshs 11,283,001.00 from 2017/2018 allocation which was carried forward to 2018/19. The Department was allocated $20 \mid P \mid a \mid g \mid e$

Kshs 8,000,000.00 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/2019 for the department was thus Kshs 19,283,001.00.As at 30th June, 2019 the department had not spent any funds. The main reason for the non absorption is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December, 2018.

2.9 INTERGOVERNMENTAL FISCAL RELATIONS

2.9.1 Introduction

Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations is the department under National Treasury which deals with all Public Finance Management matters that cuts across the two levels of government, the County and the National Government. Its mandate is to advance intergovernmental fiscal relations by creating and pursuing nationally beneficial intergovernmental fiscal opportunities and providing strategic advice on relevant priorities, as well as fostering strategic relationships with key stakeholders for the benefit of the people of Kenya.

2.9.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations department work plan for 2018/19 focused on strengthen mobilization, accounting and reporting on Own Source Revenue, strengthening County budgeting systems and clarifying and Strengthening Intergovernmental Fiscal relations. The following activities were implemented in the period under review:-

| PFMR Strategic Interventio n (s) | Expected Results | Indica tors | Status of Indica tor | Planned Activities | Actual Achieve ment | Actual Expendit ure | Remarks/ Comments |
|--|---|--|---|--|--|---------------------------|---|
| Strengthen mobilizatio n, accounting and reporting on Own Source Revenue | Counties have adequate legislation to guide OSR administr ation | OSR Policy and legal frame work | OSR Policy and legal frame work in place | Continue to implemen t the program me to support counties to establish appropriat e legislatio ns for OSR | Supply & delivery of 10 Laptops | 1,269,000 | 23/10/2018 |
| Strengtheni ng County budgeting systems | Greater accuracy in revenue forecasts (OSR) and budget formulati on to provide a reliable basis for | Varian ce betwee n county OSR forecas ts and actual collect ions on annual basis | 48% | Continue implemen ting a sensitizati on and training program me for county governme nts on the applicatio n of the | Training program on tax analysis and revenue forecasting | 3,076,290 | Duke university June 16 - July 12 2019 |

| budget allocation County budget observe strictly the fiscal responsibi lity principles | % county budget expend iture reports in compli ance with | PFM Act and regulation s. ensuring all relevant parties appreciate their fiscal |
|---|--|---|
| strictly | reports | relevant |
| | | _ |
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| | | |
| as outline | fiscal | responsibi |
| in the PFM Act | respon sibility | lities |
| and | princip | |
| regulation | les | |
| S | | |

2.9.3 Budget Performance

The Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations Department had a balance of Kshs 5,804,636.00 from 2017/2018 allocation which was carried forward to 2018/19. The Department was allocated Kshs 16,000,000.00 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/2019 for the department was thus Kshs 21,804,636.00 As at 30th June, 2019 the department had spent Kshs 5,244,720.00 representing an absorption rate of 24.05 percent. The main reason for the low absorption rate is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December, 2018. The late approval of the work plan reduced implementation time of planned activities.

2.10.1 Introduction

Programme management is a critical component of the PFMR Strategy focusing on coordination of reform activities with implementing agencies to ensure successful delivery of the Strategy. Under the PFMR Strategy, project management was intended to focus on programme planning, budgeting and reporting, coordination, monitoring, evaluation, and communication on PFM reforms. These elements are broadly in line with good practices. An additional relevant element is coordination of donor financing to the reform programme.

Several challenges primarily related to the capacity and reporting mechanisms, have limited the effectiveness of programme management. The most critical key challenges are governance arrangements and management, PFMR Strategy results framework, resource mobilization and budget performance, communication and capacity of the PFMR Secretariat.

2.10.2 Planned Activities/Actual Achievements

The PFMR Secretariat work plan for 2018/19 focused on strengthening coordination mechanisms, strengthening DPs engagement, strengthening capacity of the Secretariat and strengthening M & E and reporting. The Secretariat implemented the following activities in the period under review:-

| PFMR Strategic Intervent ion(s) | Expected Results | Indica tors | Statu s of Indic ator | Planned Activities | Actual Achieve ment | Actual Expendit ure | Remarks/ Comments |
|--|--|--|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Strengthe n coordinati on mechanis ms | Coordinat ion and oversight mechanis m strengthe ned | Numb er of TC and SC meetin gs | | Operational ize the PFM Reform Governanc e Structure to improve its effectivene ss in overseeing the implementa tion of the Strategy | | | |
| | Implemen ting agencies are well | Compl iance by imple | | | Develop ment of POM | 5,968,160 | |

| | guided on the operation s of the Reform Program me | mentin g agenci es to the Operat ions Manua l | | | | |
|---|---|--|---|---|------------------|---------------------|
| | Informati on on the implemen tation of the PFMR communi cation strategy is readily accessible to stakehold ers | Propor tion of imple mentin g agenci es compl ying with PFMR comm unicati on strateg y | Monitor implementa tion of communica tion strategy for a revised PFM Strategy | Develop ment of Commu nication strategy | 8,322,356 .80 | |
| Strengthe ning Capacity of the Secretaria t | Implemen t a training plan to improve the effectiven ess of the role of the Secretaria t in coordinati ng with the implemen ting Agencies | Propor tion of staff trained under approv ed Secret ariat trainin g pla | Implement a training plan for PFMR Secretariat | Trainin g on PFM & Good Govern ance | 777,000 | Denmark Oct 2018 |

2.10.3 Budget Performance

The PFMR Secretariat had a balance of Kshs 12,857,661.00 from 2017/2018 allocation which was carried forward to 2018/19. The Secretariat was allocated Kshs 19,934,210.86 in 2018/19. The total amount for 2018/2019 for the Secretariat was thus Kshs 32,791,871.86 . As at 30^{th} June, 2019 the Secretariat had spent Kshs 15,744,016.80

representing an absorption rate of 48.01 percent. The main reason for the low absorption rate is late finalization and approval of the work plan. The work plan approval and disbursement of funds was done in December, 2018.

3.0 CONCLUSION AND WAY FORWARD

It is worth noting that, despite the late start of implementation of the work plans, most of the implementing departments managed to undertake some activities in the work plan.

A notable challenge in implementation of the work plan was that most of the activities had not been implemented by the end of the financial year. In other departments implementation was ongoing by end of 2018/19. This is attributed to late approval of the work plan which was approved in December, 2018. The lateness in approval was occasioned by various consultations aimed at improving the quality and level of details in the work plans. Further, most of the activities for 2018/18 were also rolled over to 2018/19. This created a challenge in implementation of the planned activities due to the limited time.

The other challenge was that, the absorption rate across all implementing agencies was low. The overall absorption rate in the programme was fifty two percent (52%) by end of 2018/19. This is attributed to late disbursements occasioned by late approval of the work plan. Disbursement of funds was done in December, 2018 and the funds received in March, 2019. Further, most of the funds for 2017/18 were carried forward to 2018/19. The late disbursement necessitated limited time of programme implementation and thus the low absorption rates.

Going forward, there is need to prepare and submit work plans in good time for approval by RDE. This will ensure timely start of implementation of planned activities. This will also reduce the pending activities by end of the financial year. The timely approval of the work plans will lead to timely disbursement of funds. This will impact positively on the absorption rates.

4.0ANNEX 1: DED ANNUAL TARGETS

| Output 1 | | 1. Enhanced Re | venue Collection | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Output indicate | or 1.1 | Taxes as a percenta | age of GDP | | | | | |
| Baseline 2013 | Year 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | Target 2020 | | | |
| 24.1% | 16.7 | 17.7 | 17.7 | | | | | |
| Output 2 | Status Taxes as a percentage of GDP stands at 16.8% in 2016/2017 | Status Taxes as a percentage of GDP stands at 17.7% in 2017/2018 | Status Taxes as a percentage of GDP stands at 17.7% in 2018/2019 | nument wide financial i | information and various with | | | |
| Output 2 | | 2. Accurate accessible and timely government wide financial information and reports with clear accountability | | | | | | |
| Output indicate | Output indicator 2.1 | | Timely, accurate Horts covering both financial and non-financial data, consistent with PBB produced regularly | | | | | |
| Baseline 2013 | Year 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | Target 2020 | | | |
| No framework for monitoring in place | Development of a framework for reporting Status Public Sector Accounting Standards (financial reporting framework) developed and operationalized | All MDAs and County Governments produce annual and semi-annual reports Status All MDAs and County Governments produce annual and semi-annual reports | All MDAs and County Governments produce annual and semi-annual reports Status All MDAs and County Governments produce annual and semi-annual reports | All MDAs and County Governments produce annual and semi-annual reports | Review implementation of the framework All MDAs and County Governments produce annual and semi-annual reports | | | |

| Output 3 | | Accurate, user friendly and timely independent audit reports based on a risk-base approach Risk based audit approach implemented (percentage of all audits conducted using the risk-base) | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Output indicate | or 3.1 | | | percentage of all audits of | conducted using the risk-based | | | |
| Baseline 2013 | Year 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | Target 2020 | | | |
| 20% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | | | |
| | Status In 2016, 100% of Audits were using Risk Based Audit Methodology | Status In 2017, 100% of Audits were using Risk Based Audit Methodology | Status In 2018, 100% of Audits were using Risk Based Audit Methodology | | | | | |
| Output 4 | | 4. Strengthened | capacity for public pr | rocurement and disposa | al oversight | | | |
| Output indicate | or 4.1 | Share/ percentage of Government Procurement Entities using electronic procurement | | | | | | |
| Baseline 2013 | Year 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | Target 2020 | | | |
| No entity on e- procurement | MDAs on IFMIS e- procurement module Status All Ministries and State Corporation are on e procurement | Develop user specifications for an ERP, Procure & Contract Status A draft e-Procurement Strategy and Roadmap prepared | Develop operational manuals and train all entities Status A draft e- Procurement Strategy and Roadmap prepared | All public entities use e-procurement | All public entities use e-procurement | | | |
| Output 5 | | place | | | ne PFM Reforms Strategy in | | | |
| Output indicate | or 5.1 | A functional M&E | framework for the PFM | I Reforms Strategy | | | | |
| Baseline 2013 | Year 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | Target 2020 | | | |

| Preparation of framework | Quarterly and | Quarterly and annual | End term review | Quarterly and annu | al |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----|
| | annual progress | progress reports | report, Quarterly and | progress reports | |
| <u>Status</u> | reports | | annual progress | | |
| An M&E framework | | Status | reports | | |
| developed awaiting rollout. | <u>Status</u> | Status Quarterly and | | | |
| Discussions have taken | Quarterly and | annual progress | | | |
| place with RDE-M&E | annual progress | reports prepared | | | |
| consultants regarding the | reports prepared | reports prepared | | | |
| approach to be used in | | | | | |
| developing an automated | | | | | |
| M&E system | | | | | |

5.0ANNEX 3: SUPPORT TO PFMR STRATEGY - DANIDA FINANCIAL POSITION FROM JULY 2018 TO JUNE 2019

| AGENCY | 2017/18 ROLLED OVER 2018/19 | BUDGET 2018/19 | BUDGET 2018/19+ROLL OVER 17/18 | ACTUAL EXPENDITURE 2018/19 | TOTAL | BALANCE | UTILIZA TION (%) |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Min DEV &P | 11,779,640.00 | 10,000,000.00 | 21,779,640.00 | 18,144,140.00 | 18,144,140.00 | 3,635,500.00 | 83.31 |
| MFAD | 11,283,001.00 | 8,000,000.00 | 19,283,001.00 | - | - | 19,283,001.00 | - |
| D-ASQA | 26,284,063.00 | 30,000,000.00 | 56,284,063.00 | 54,337,207.55 | 54,337,207.55 | 1,946,855.45 | 96.54 |
| IFMIS | 19,527,484.00 | 23,000,000.00 | 42,527,484.00 | 38,891,691.20 | 38,891,691.20 | 3,635,792.80 | 91.45 |
| OCOB | 11,147,750.00 | 16,700,000.00 | 27,847,750.00 | 10,769,145.00 | 10,769,145.00 | 17,078,605.00 | 38.67 |
| IGFRD | 5,804,636.00 | 16,000,000.00 | 21,804,636.00 | 5,244,720.00 | 5,244,720.00 | 16,559,916.00 | 24.05 |
| OAG | 40,184,653.00 | 40,000,000.00 | 80,184,653.00 | 39,329,705.00 | 39,329,705.00 | 40,854,948.00 | 49.05 |
| KRA | 27,899,754.00 | 26,000,000.00 | 53,899,754.00 | 14,370,862.76 | 14,370,862.76 | 39,528,891.24 | 26.66 |
| PFMR | 12,857,661.00 | 19,934,210.86 | 32,791,871.86 | 15,744,016.80 | 15,744,016.80 | 17,047,855.06 | 48.01 |
| IAD | 21,305,538.00 | 15,000,000.00 | 36,305,538.00 | 8,661,525.70 | 8,661,525.70 | 27,644,012.30 | 23.86 |
| TOTALS | 188,074,180.00 | 204,634,210.86 | 392,708,390.86 | 205,493,014.01 | 205,493,014.01 | 187,215,376.85 | 52.33 |