

Outcome 1

By 2020, relevant government institutions operate in an improved legal and policy framework, and institutional capacity and accountability mechanisms assure a more enabling (competitive, inclusive and innovative) environment for sustainable, job-rich growth and development for all women and men.

OUTPUT 1.5

Policy makers at national and local level equipped with knowledge and tools for informed decision making and implementation on inclusive and sustainable growth

Strategic Plan outputs to which the CPD output contributed during the year:

1.2.1 Capacities at national and sub-national levels strengthened to promote inclusive local economic development and deliver basic services including HIV and related services

1.6.1 Country-led measures accelerated to advance gender equality and women's empowerment

2.2.1 Use of digital technologies and big data enabled for improved public services and other government functions

The Local Administration Reform Phase III (LAR III) Project produced two major reports on recommendations on legislations concerning local authorities through consultative processes conducted with the participation of central and local authorities as well as Civil Society Organisations (CSOs).

LAR III Project kept closer and more regular contact with the Presidency of Strategy and Budget and particularly with the Local Administration Policies Board of the President's Office by exchanging information and inviting their members to project activities. This contributed to the dissemination of project outcomes and increased the visibility and recognition of the LAR III Project by all stakeholders for the sustainability purposes.

The relations developed with the Local Administration Policies Board and the Board's willingness and commitment to bring the project outputs to the policy level are considered as an opportunity. It is expected that the policy proposals will be covered in the agenda of the Government and put into effect in line with the objectives of the Project. The formation of a reciprocal interaction between the reform activities initiated recently in the field of functioning of local administrations and the Project activities will contribute to the sustainable policy effect of the Project.

In addition to these, it is aimed to make maximum contribution to the new national priorities with the Project, specifically in the fields of urbanization and local administrations as referred within the scope of the 11th National Development Plan, which came into force as of July 23, 2019.

Gender equality and women's empowerment

LAR III Project is designed to ensure that reports to be generated regarding legislation drafting process and service improvement process of municipalities include gender-sensitive approach.

Within the scope of service provision related activities of LAR III Project, assessment reports comparing the practices in the EU and Turkey along with recommendations reports were generated involving various aspects and measures for gender equality.

Additionally, service delivery standards of municipalities which will be developed in 2020 will include principles, standards and guidance for gender mainstreaming.