

Information Management System on DDR/CVR operations

(a) Brief description of the project

The project aims at developing an Information Management System (IMS) which allows the systematic and accurate compilation of data on DDR/CVR operations across peace operations. In addition to facilitating regular data gathering, the system will permit effective monitoring of mandated tasks and developing in-depth analysis. Improving these aspects will not only allow DDR teams to properly monitor operations, despite the COVID-19 crisis, but also assess new approaches and inform responses in light of current challenges. Moreover, the proposed IMS will support and complement the UN Comprehensive Performance Assessment System (CPAS) by providing more granular information on DDR/CVR operations and allowing timely adjustments. By serving as a repository of information, DDRS will be able to track the implementation of activities, the completion of outputs and assess mid and long-term outcomes. The system will also allow Heads of Components in peace operations to review programme implementation and adjust the allocation of resources.

Ensuring adequate monitoring across all stages of an integrated DDR process is essential for assessing the effectiveness, efficiency and relevance of interventions. Moreover, in line with the Action for Peacekeeping (A4P) (specifically, sub-commitment 18 and 19 on effective and accountable performance), the United Nations is committed to promoting a culture of performance and accountability. Under this new paradigm, performance data should be used to guide planning and evaluation, develop gender-responsive initiatives, inform Member States on operational requirements and mobilize resources. Moreover, the system will promote partnerships and enhance collaboration between Missions and UN Country Team by identifying synergies, allowing smooth transitions and, ultimately, contributing to opportune transfer of tasks.

As a result of the project, both DDRS and Mission component will improve their capacity to monitor and evaluate DDR/CVR operations. In addition, the IMS system will foster regular exchange of information, allow the safe storage of historical data and permit the development of innovative approaches to communicate achievements.

(b) Expected Outcomes, Outputs and Proposed Activities

Outcomes	Outputs	Proposed Activities
Improved M&E capacity across peace operations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Information Management System (IMS) developed and fully operational- UNHQ DDR personnel trained and capable of managing IMS system- DDR field components trained on M&E concepts and tools.- IMS system adopted by DDR components.- Improved M&E frameworks on DDR.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Re-establish M&E working group, including mission focal points.- Review existing guidance on M&E for DDR/CVR operations.- Interview DDR officers (HQ and field) and relevant experts to identify information gaps and critical indicators.- Develop IMS system based on consultations with relevant experts. The system should use Microsoft tools to minimize maintenance costs, ensure compatibility and permit the

		<p>inclusion of new applications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Present and improve IMS based on feedback received. - Conduct 4 field missions to sensitive local experts and obtain their buy in. - Train relevant staff on M&E concepts and tools. - Train DDR officers on the use of the IMS system. - Provide technical support, as required (1 year). - Assist in the revision of IMS system in line with M&E frameworks.
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(c) Implementation Timeline

1 August 2020 – 31 July 2021

(d) How does this project relate to internal and external United Nations partners?

The IMS system will ensure effective monitoring and evaluation of integrated DDR processes at all stages. By tracking activities and outputs across phases, this initiative will allow proper sequencing of interventions and coordination with national authorities and relevant UN entities. Ultimately, this approach should prevent operational gaps and promote synergies. Moreover, UN agencies, fund and programmes often serve as implementing partners for programmatic activities. If deemed opportune, access to the IMS system could be granted to UN partners.

(e) How gender aspects been included in the design and implementation of the project? How does it help the Department to implement their Women, Peace and Security and Gender Parity commitments?

The development of the IMS system is critical for the regular collection of disaggregated data by gender. The information will serve as a basis for assessing women’s participation in the DDR process as well as the development of gender-based initiatives aimed at mobilizing and empowering women. The inclusion of qualitative and quantitative data will also allow identifying protection issues and adopt preventive measures.

(f) Brief explanation of any risks that the implementation of the project may face and how to mitigate them, including with regards to the impact of COVID-19.

Due to limited M&E capacity and/or concerns regarding information sharing, DDR field component might oppose to the development of the IMS or resist to its adoption.

(g) Proposed Budget

Item¹	Brief Description	Total Amount
Consultants (2x)	IMS experts M&E expert	60,000
Licensing	Microsoft applications	15,000
Travel costs	4 field visits peace operations	30,000
Programme Support Costs (13%) ²		13,650
Total		\$118,650

1 Post estimates need to include salary for the period together with standard costs, which include the following costs: (i) Rental Premises; (ii) Office Supplies; (iii) Telephone and Fax; and (iv) Computing Services. For the most recent scale of salaries and standard costs, please consult with the Executive Office. If you need a salary list, please contact ODCSS or the EO.

2 Mandatory Programme Support costs to be calculated against the subtotal of the programme support costs.