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The 11th High Level Round Table Meeting 2013
“Accelerating MDG Achievement and Inclusive Development”
19th - 21st November 2013
National Convention Centre (NCC)
Vientiane, Lao PDR

Provisional Agenda

Day 1 – 19th November 2013 (Tuesday)

08:00 – 08:30 **Registration**

The 11th High Level Round Table Meeting officially opens

Meeting Chair: H.E. Mr. Thongloun Sisoulith, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs for the Lao PDR

Meeting Co-chair: Mr. Haoliang Xu, UN Assistant Secretary-General, UNDP Assistant Administrator and Regional Director of UNDP Bureau for Asia and the Pacific

08:30 - 08:35 **Introduction**
By Master of Ceremony – Ms. Sisomboun Ounavong, Director General of Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Planning and Investment

08:35 - 08:50 **Opening Address**
By H.E. Mr. Thongsing Thammavong, Prime Minister of the Lao PDR

08:50 - 09:05 **Keynote Address of the UNDP Administrator**
Delivered by Mr. Haoliang Xu, UN Assistant Secretary-General, UNDP Assistant Administrator and Regional Director of UNDP Bureau for Asia and the Pacific

09:05 - 09:15 **Group Photo Session with Prime Minister of the Lao PDR**

09:15 - 09:45 **Development Cooperation Exhibitions and Coffee Break**

Session 1 – The Implementation of the 7th five year National Socio-Economic Development Plan (7th NSEDP 2011-2015) – Key Results of Mid Term Review and Progress towards the MDGs

09:45 – 10:00 **Results of the Mid-Term Review of the 7th NSEDP (2011-2015) - key progress to date and challenges**
By H.E. Mr. Somdy Douangdy, Minister of Planning and Investment (MPI)

10:00 – 10:15 **Results of the third National MDG Progress Report – challenges to MDG achievement and key recommendations for the Off-Track MDGs**
By H.E. Mr. Alounkeo Kittikhoun, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)

10:15 – 11:30 **Discussion**

Session 2 – Enabling Environment: Progress in Governance, Public Financial Management and Effective Development Cooperation

11:30 – 11:45 **Progress in improving Governance in Lao PDR: People’s Participation, Rule of Law and Public Service Improvement**
By H.E. Dr. Khammoune Viphongxay, Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (MOHA)

11:45 – 12:00 **Progress in enhancing Public Financial Management in Lao PDR and implications for the balance of the 7th NSEDP**
By H.E. Mr. Santiphab Phomvihane, Deputy Minister of Finance (MOF)

12:00 – 13:30 ***Lunch***

13:30 – 13:45 **Strengthening Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation: From Aid Effectiveness to Effective Development Cooperation**
By H.E. Mr. Somchith Inthamith, Deputy Minister of Planning and Investment (MPI)

13:45 – 15:00 **Discussion**

15:00 – 15:15 ***Coffee Break***

Session 3 – Delivering on Lao PDR’s Development Priorities: Achieving the 7th NSEDP goals, the MDGs and LDC Graduation – Action Plans and Recommendations

- 15:15 – 15:30 **The direction for achieving the 7th NSEDP/MDGs and the 8th NSEDP preparation**
By H.E. Dr. Khamlien Pholsena, Deputy Minister of Planning and Investment (MPI)
- 15:30 – 16:30 **Discussion**
- 16:30 – 16:45 **Concluding Remarks**
By Mr. Haoliang Xu, UN Assistant Secretary-General, UNDP Assistant Administrator and Regional Director of UNDP Bureau for Asia and the Pacific
- 16:45 – 17:00 **Closing Speech**
By H.E. Mr. Thongloun Sisoulith, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the Lao PDR
- 19:00 **Dinner Reception** (with Lao Cultural Performance and Entertainment)
hosted by the Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the Lao PDR, at Don Chan Palace Hotel

Day 2 – 20th November 2013 (Wednesday)

- 09:00 – 10:00 **Heads of Delegation pay a courtesy visit to H.E. Mr. Choummaly Xayasone, President of the Lao PDR.**
- 12:10 **Departure for Field Trip to Luangprabang province (QV101)**
- 13:00 – 17:00 **Field Visit to different sites in Luangprabang**

Day 3 – 21st November 2013 (Thursday)

- 08:00 – 17:30 **Field Visit (Cont’d)**
- 18:30 **Departure to Vientiane Capital (QV104)**

The 11th High Level Round Table Meeting officially closes