

E-GP Project Experience Sharing Presentation

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Presentation outline

- ▶ Background/History
- ▶ Project Components
- ▶ Implementation Status
- ▶ Challenges
- ▶ Opportunities

Background/History

- ▶ Part of PFM reform agenda aimed at improving inefficiencies in the public procurement system started in 2017.
- ▶ E readiness assessment was conducted, Ethiopia scored 2.97 out 4 points.
- ▶ Home grown system developed by Ministry of Science and Technology/Ministry of Innovation (MoST/MiNT) was selected for enhancement and customisation after an assessment.

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Background/History

- ▶ Memorandum of Understanding was signed with MoST/MiNT.
- ▶ E-GP Strategy document was developed to guide the implementation
- ▶ A Steering Committee and Technical Committee were established to provide strategic direction and technical expertise respectively.
- ▶ Executive Mgt Committee was established for close follow up.
- ▶ Seven pilot institutions were selected for the pilot
- ▶ Task teams set up in all Pilot Procuring Entities (PPEs)

Project Components

- ▶ Software Development
- ▶ Procurement of Hardware for Data Centers
- ▶ Call Center/Helpdesk
- ▶ Communication and Change Management
- ▶ Third Party Audit
- ▶ Product classification and Mapping
- ▶ Roll Out Strategy
- ▶ Benchmarking
- ▶ Project Staff

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Implementation Status

- ▶ **Software Development**
 - System Development is complete
 - System testing is in progress
 - Integration engagement activities are in progress
- ▶ **Hardware and Data Center Set UP**
 - Procurement of hardware is complete
 - Data center installation is completed
- ▶ **Call Center/Helpdesk**
 - Construction completed, Procurement of hardware and furniture completed
 - hiring of staff in progress

Implementation Status -

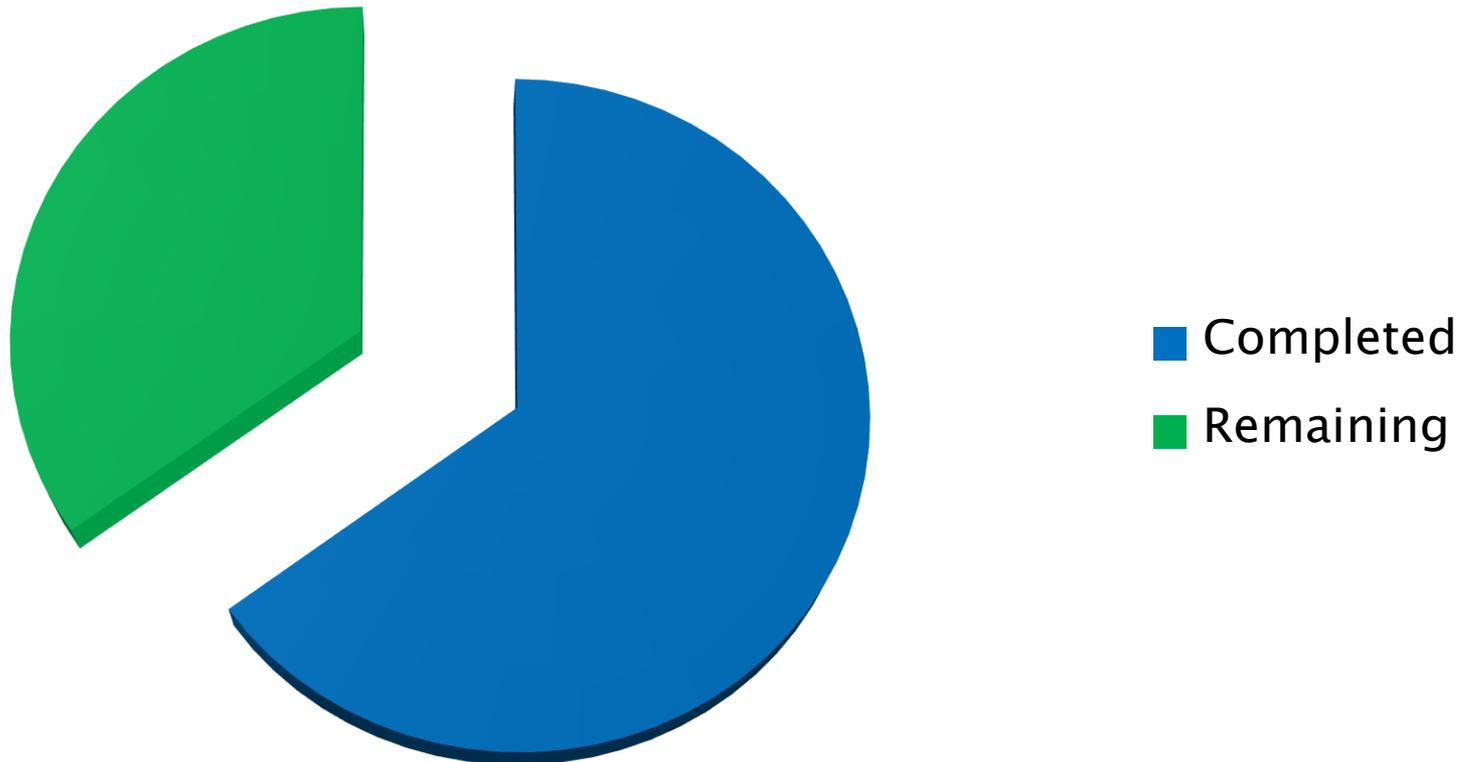
- ▶ **Communication and Change Management**
 - Held 13 initial engagements with PPEs and other stakeholders
 - Developed Communication Strategy
 - Developed Capacity Building Strategy
 - Developed Training Materials/Modules
 - EGP Brand and Guidelines developed
 - 2 Validation workshops held
 - 8 Sensitisation workshops held with PPEs
 - 4 Sensitisation videos developed in English and Amharic
 - Conducted training in 8 modules
 - Developed social media platforms
 - Change Agents identified and trained

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Implementation Status -

- ▶ **Training/Benchmarking**
 - Benchmarking was conducted in four countries
- ▶ **Project Staff**
 - Phased recruitment approach used....7/20 recruited.
- ▶ **Third Party Audit**
 - Procurement process concluded
- ▶ **Roll Out Strategy**
 - Procurement process in progress
- ▶ **Product Classification and Mapping**
 - Procurement process in progress

Implementation Status



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Challenges

- ▶ COVID-19 brought activities to a near halt
- ▶ Delayed System development due to COVID, extensive stakeholder engagement and bulky documents for review
- ▶ Contract structure for system development was unbalanced
- ▶ Timeline for system development was tight..
- ▶ Overlap in contracts due delayed system development
- ▶ Integration discussions with IFMIS slow
- ▶ High staff turnover in the project
- ▶ Expectations are high from stakeholders

Opportunities

- ▶ A chance for:
 - Procurement at the e-Government table!
 - To create Ownership-home grown solution
 - Collaboration-with various government entities
 - Optimisation of resources shared Data Centers
 - Engagement with stakeholders
 - Empowerment of stakeholders with procurement information
 - Integration with other systems
 - Standardise processes as a result of Business Process review
 - Reviewing the legislation
 - International exchange on the subject and other topical areas
- ▶ Expectations from Parliament could be a stepping stone for smooth implementation

Thank you

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