ADVANCING EFFORTS FOR REFORM AND CIVIC ACCOUNTABILITY (ANTI-CORRUPTION COMPONENT)

JANUARY 2016 - JUNE 2017

$12.7 MILLION

OVERVIEW

USAID’s Advancing Efforts for Reform and Civic Accountability activity’s Anti-Corruption Component supports the Afghan government’s commitment to preventing corruption by strengthening Afghan Civil Society Organizations’ (CSO) ability to oversee and support government officials in implementing reforms that will help combat and curb corruption.
ACTIVITIES

- Provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Public Health to develop an anti-corruption strategy based on the Independent Joint Anti-Corruption Monitoring and Evaluation Committee’s (MEC) Vulnerability to Corruption Assessment.
- Support the Ministry of Education roll-out an improved process for providing high school diplomas.
- Support Ministries in their reform of: 1) national identification cards, 2) drivers’ licenses, and 3) small business licenses.
- Provide grants for CSOs to provide community-based monitoring of public service delivery reforms.
- Support a public relations campaign focused on messaging the reform of selected public service delivery areas and how the Afghan public can access these services.
- Manage a rapid response fund to address compelling and urgent needs deemed highly relevant to fighting corruption, for example providing technical assistance to the newly established Anti-Corruption Secretariat of the High Council of Good Governance, Anti-Corruption, and Justice Sector.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Conducted a Political Economy Analysis to identify levels of political will within key ministries, civil society, the private sector and other government agencies to partner in anti-corruption efforts which will achieve the most impact.
- Mapped 10 public services and selected three services to focus on improving the customer service experience: 1) national identification cards, 2) drivers’ licenses and 3) small business licenses
- Maintained a public website to track accountability of anti-corruption efforts and particular public service delivery reform at the ministry level.

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