

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement
Department of Social Welfare

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Subject: Invitation to Public Consultations for “Expanding Maternal and Child Cash Transfer Program for Improved Nutrition in Myanmar” Project

Dear Colleagues,

You are cordially invited to the consultation meeting for the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement’s “Expanding Maternal and Child Cash Transfer Program for Improved Nutrition in Myanmar” Project with the financing and technical support from the World Bank.

The Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement in Myanmar, with support from the World Bank, will organize a public consultation meeting to inform and consult with the public and stakeholders on the Ministry’s project on “Expanding Maternal and Child Cash Transfer Program for Improved Nutrition in Myanmar”.

This consultation is part of a series of consultations on the “Expanding Maternal and Child Cash Transfer Program for Improved Nutrition in Myanmar” project, and hopes to seek feedback from participants on provisions for community participation, and key design and implementation issues.

The Maternal and Child Cash Transfer (MCCT) program is one of eight flagship programs outlined in the Government of Myanmar’s National Social Protection Strategic Plan (NSPSP) to address vulnerabilities along the life cycle. The objective of the program is to improve nutritional outcomes for mothers and children during the critical first 1,000 days of life. The program provides a regular cash benefit to mothers during pregnancy and until the first 2 years of age of children. To ensure that the implementation is technically and financially feasible, the flagship program is being progressively rolled out by Department of Social Welfare under the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement. The MCCT Program is being implemented by the government in Chin, Rakhine, Naga Self-Administered Zone of the Sagaing Region, Kayin and Kayah States. With concessional loan of USD 100 million from International Development Association (IDA), the proposed project is expected to benefit the pregnant women and children

in their first 1000 days of life, who are living in Shan State and Ayeyarwaddy Region over the four years of project.

For your kind review, we attach project documents: 1) Project Information Document (in English and Myanmar), 2) Draft Community Participation Plan (PowerPoint presentation in English and Myanmar), 3) Draft Social Assessment Report (Power point presentation in English and Myanmar), and 4) Draft Environmental Codes of Practice (Power point slides in English and Myanmar).

Aside from face to face consultations, we would like to encourage you to send feedback and suggestion by email to www.socialprotection.dsw.gov@gmail.com. We would be grateful if you could confirm your participation via email to Social Protection Division, Department of Social Welfare, Myanmar, [www. socialprotection. dsw. gov@gmail.com](mailto:www.socialprotection.dsw.gov@gmail.com) , or by phone at 0673-404077, 0673-404078 not later than by 8.3.2019. See attached links for the project documents.

Meeting information: Date – 13.3. 2019

Time - (09:00am to 12:00noon)

Venue – Taunggyi , Myanmar

Sincerely,



Dr.San San Aye

Director General

Links:

1. https://www.dsw.gov.mm/sites/default/files/201901/CPPE_Dec%2022_disclosure_1.pdf
1. https://www.dsw.gov.mm/sites/default/files/2019-01/ECOP%20MCCT4N%20Eng_1.pdf
2. https://www.dsw.gov.mm/sites/default/files/2019-01/Social%20Assessment_Dec%2022_Disclosure_1.pdf