



National Monitoring and Evaluation System and Provision of Evidence for SDGs acceleration in the public sector.

Experience from Uganda

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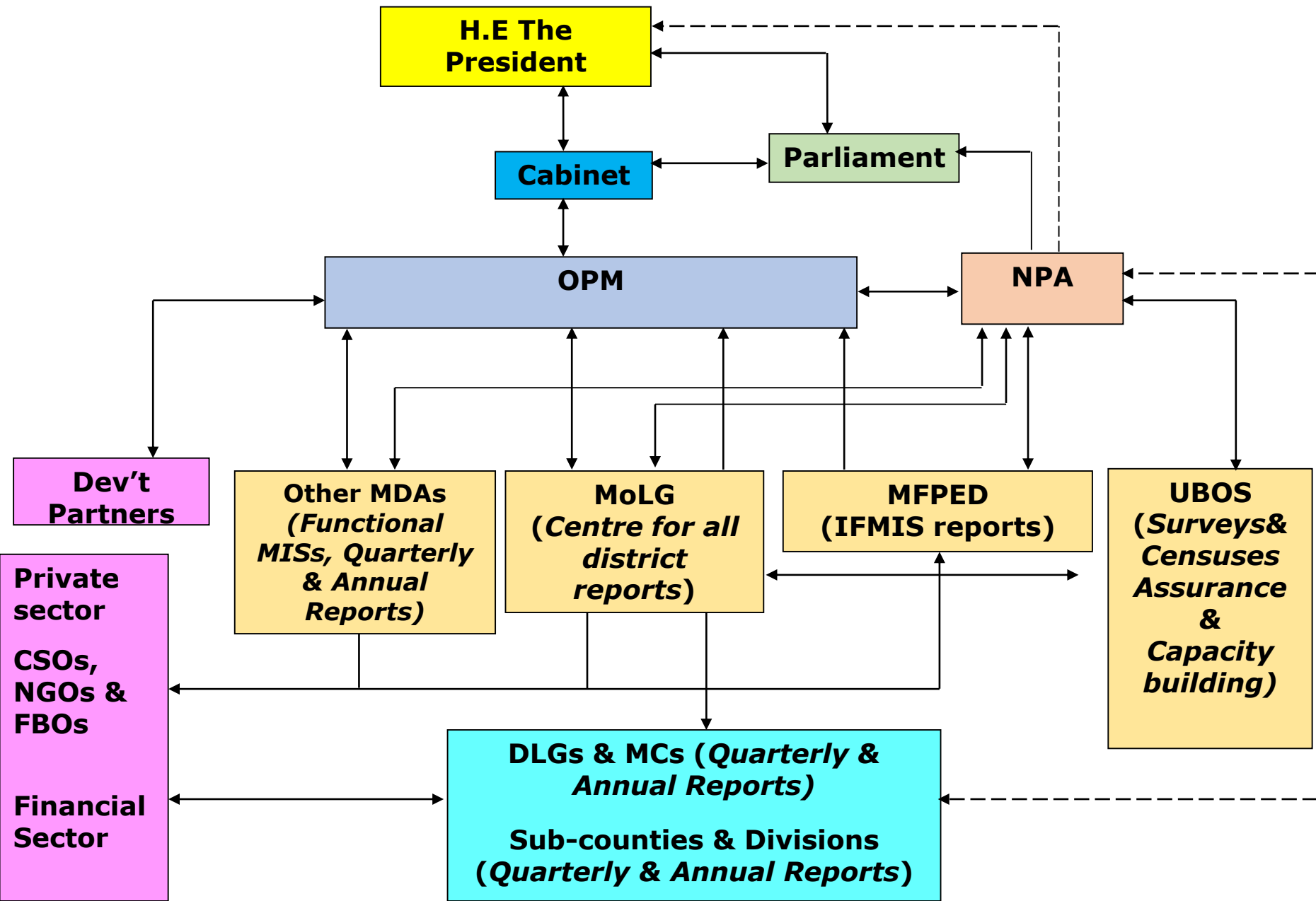
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Introduction



- ❑ There is emerging emphasis for using evidence and data driven action on the Sustainable Development Goals (UNDSN, 2018).
- ❑ Countries with support from the UN are testing interventions to accelerate SDGs implementation.
- ❑ In the public sector in Uganda, the National M&E System is key in fast tracking SDGs acceleration.
- ❑ To strengthen the M&E system, Public Sector Policy on M&E was passed in 2013, SDGs came on board in 2015

National M&E system- setup



SDG roadmap – Uganda

- Uganda launched SDG roadmap in Oct 2018; includes:
 - i. Planning and mainstreaming of SDGs (NDP2, Proposed NDP3)
 - ii. Coordination, M&E and Reporting
 - iii. Data for SDGs (harmonisation and quality assurance, data production and development, access, utilisation and dissemination, capacity enhancement)
 - iv. Communication and advocacy

M&E and SDGs

- Functional M&E institutional structure and both central and local government level: *SDG political Champion*
- GAPR assessments (National & Sub National) bringing out progress on some SDG indicators. Discussed at Cabinet performance retreats.
- Evaluation of programs (i.e. Family Planning which falls under the following SDGs; Good health and well being (SDG 3), Gender Equality (SDG 5), Reduced inequality (SDG 10), and Partnerships for the Goals (SDG 17).
- One –on- One meetings between Accounting Officer of OPM and other MDAs accounting Officers
- National Partnership Forum – DPs and Government performance review.
- Presidential Investors Round Table – Discussions on Energy, PSM, Poverty, Water and Environment, Investment e.t.c

Innovations in M&E to fast track SDGs

- SDG accelerator labs coordinated through the current M&E structure
 - topics for the labs are being generated from emerging issues identified from assessment but also agreed by other stakeholders as key issues affecting communities.
- SGD Working Groups (Data WG already has a report)
- Uganda slated to report in 2020 VNR in HLPF.
- Inclusion of the SDG indicators tracking in the Government Annual Performance Reporting –NSI (though there are gaps for SDG broad indicators)
- Localisation of SDG through the community information sharing and accountability forum to enhance awareness and demand for accountability

Challenges

- Low Financing – the complexity in determining priority among priorities.
- Weak data management in institutions due to capacity Gaps
- Weak MIS systems with limited integration in the public sector (proxy indicators discouraged by UNSD – hence reporting on SDG indicators).
- Gaps in the inter and intra sectoral coordination.
- Limited focus on evaluations

Going forward

- Strengthening the M&E system (*MISs, Capacity Dev't, Coordination, Tools e.t.c*)
- Re-aligning the evaluation agenda to comprehensively capture topics that bring out progress of SDGs.
 - Mapping of evaluations by sector ongoing (draft evaluation map in place)
- Further alignment of SDGs into NDP3 that is at advanced stage of development
- Strengthen the collaboration with VOPES (Uganda Evaluation Association) in communication and advocacy
- Need for dedicated financing for implementation of interventions that drive SDGs (e.g. access to affordable Energy, Empowerment, Innovation and Industrialisation, Water e.t.c.)
- Building sustainable and empowering partnerships

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