

Training Workshop for Local Governments on the Development and implementation of Asset Management Action Plans (AMAPs)

Organized by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) and the Ministry of Local Government, Uganda

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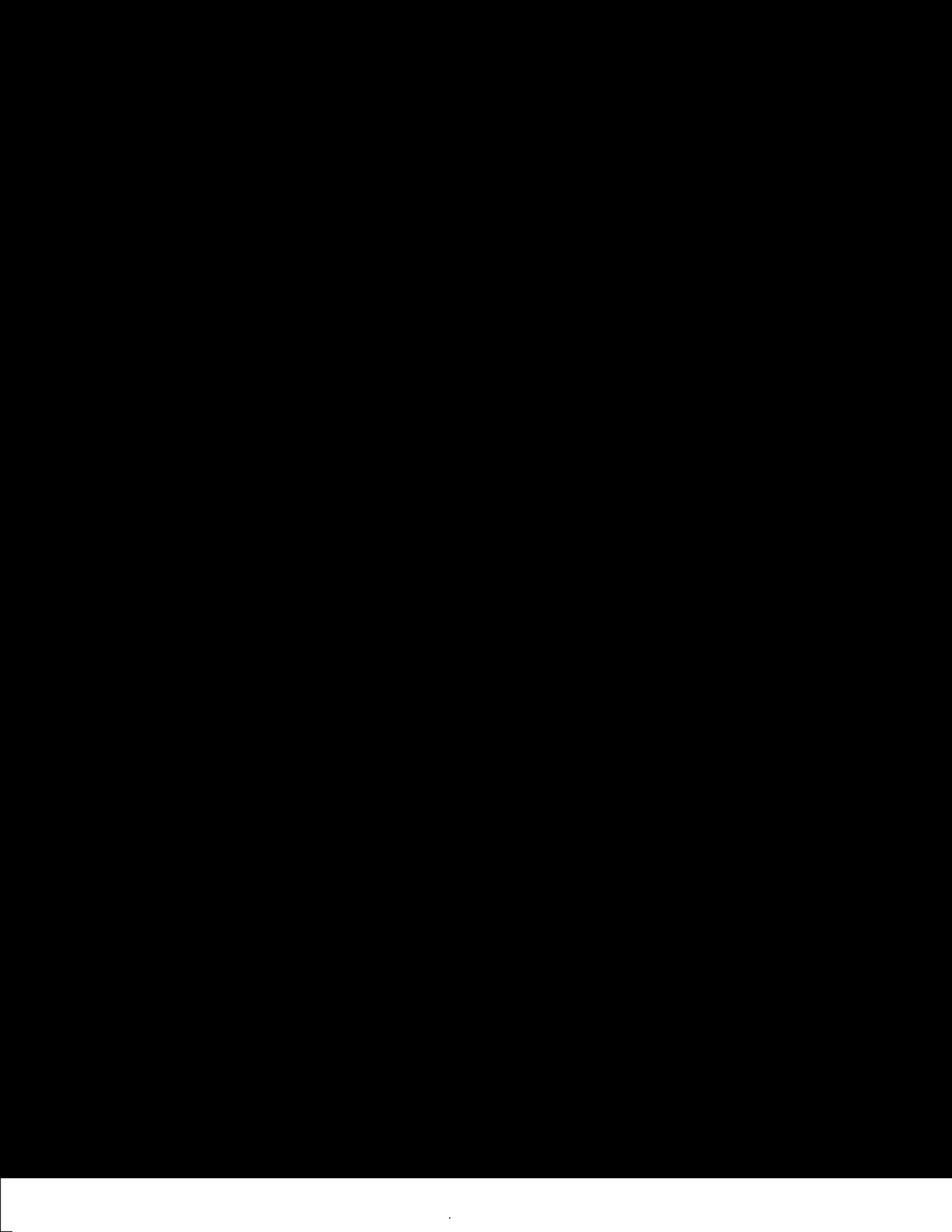
The training workshop will be conducted by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) and the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) in collaboration with the Ministry of Local Government (MoLG) and Ministry of Finance Planning and Economic Development (MoFPED). The workshop is part of the broader United Nations effort to

Welcome Note by Town Clerk & Chief Accounting
Officer

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3:00 – 5:00 PM	Presentation and discussion of asset management Frameworks by LGS arising from breakaway session groups.	LGs
4:00-4:20 PM	Tea as work progresses	
5:00 – 5:30 PM	Wrap-up and end of DAY 2	UN DESA/UNCDF
	DAY 3	
8:30-8:45 AM	Participant	

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After the initial training in 2018, UN DESA and UNCDF provided Training of Trainers to central government officials to apply the UN DESA/UNCDF diagnostic tool on local asset management in additional municipalities. Following the training, central government officials applied the tool in new districts and municipalities and reapplied it in Mbale, Yumbe and Moroto. This second workshop will train all (21) municipalities where the diagnostic tool has been implemented in the formulation of AMAPs based on the findings of the tool.

1.1 Project overview

The United Nations effort to strengthen financing for sustainable development at the local level through the development of subnational asset management frameworks in the developed countries project is being implemented jointly by the Financing for Development Office of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN-DESA) in collaboration with the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF). The purpose of the project is to introduce the concept of proactive asset management to local governments and to provide guidance to local governments in implementing concrete asset management action plans. The project follows a three-pronged strategy, which includes:

s/n	Project strategy	Progress
1.	Helping local governments in Uganda assess their current level of asset management by reviewing their assets in a holistic and integrated way and analyzing the role and potential of different stakeholders (e.g., central government agencies, mayor, local council, line departments, civil society and private sector).	9 19 local governments that includes 3 municipalities and 16 districts have had Asset Management profiling completed.
2.	Training LG officials in the formulation and implementation of a long-term, customized asset management framework, including an asset management action plan (AMAP) that can be effectively linked to a medium-term budget and a long-term sustainable development strategy	The focus of this training. Previous training was done for three local government of Yumbe, Moroto Mc and Amudati district
3.	Sharing lessons learned and general policy recommendations with other LGS.	This will come after the training and support to implement the plans. We expect one LG that was previously trained to share their experiences with the rest of the LGs

This training falls within strategy area 2 and is an effort to cascade the training to other local governments.

2.0 Rationale for the Training

Decentralisation in Uganda was ushered in as a tool that would anchor in poverty eradication through efficient and effective service delivery mechanisms in Uganda. A lot has been done under decentralization as a vehicle for poverty reduction. However, despite the reform efforts, a gulf remains between decentralization and its prospects to fight poverty through enhanced serviced delivery due to a number of challenges.

Among the areas that need to be reformed in Local Governments is asset management. The Auditor General Report and various press reports indicate that most Government assets at the local government level are not well maintained and many times even not accounted for. This is partly due to lack of financial resources or inadequate budgeting for Operations and Maintenance (O&M) costs and also lack of a good asset management system. With proper asset management systems in place, plans and decisions can be made on how to best invest local government funds, and provide the best service to the community.

The process of sound assets management principles starts from having AMAPS that are aligned to the overall strategic interests of the LG. The training will introduce participants to the concept of municipal asset management and will provide step-by-step guidance to local governments in the development and implementation of AMAPs to facilitate delivery of services and increase the financial viability of local governments.

3.0 Objectives of the Training

The objective of this training to build capacity of local governments officials to formulate Asset Management Action Plans (AMAPS) that will improve asset management system in the LGS.

3.1 Specific Objectives

- 1) To train Local Government officials in the formulation and implementat ~~ms~~ (t)-4 (o)-2mi

3.2 Expected Outputs

1. All the 22 LGs develop draft AMAPS.
2. Participants better understand and provide input into the National Assets Management Policy Framework and its alignment with LG AMAPS.
3. Participants appreciate the value of assets management.
4. Participants understand and are able to formulate asset management action plans .
5. Participants understand how to integrate AMAPS into the LG development plans and medium budgets.

Provide input into the national asset management policy framework

4.0 Methodology

This activity will consist of: (i) training (ii) Practical hands on session to develop AMAPS (iii), Hands on support from to support LGs Implement Asset Management system. The system of activities will be as follows:

The training will adopt several approaches including, brainstorming, case studies and experience

5.0 Facilitators

The training will be facilitated by trainers from UN DESA. Other facilitators will be drawn from the Ministry of Local Government, Ministry of Finance Planning and Economic development, NPA, PPDA and UNCDF.

6.0 Target Local Governments

Two categories of Local Governments and central government ministries and departments will be targeted namely:

1. **Group A: District Local Government:** Amuria, Otuke, Omoro, Amudat, Amolator, Pader, Agago, Lamwo, Kole, Adjumani, Zombo, Moyo, Napak, Abim, Kapelebyong, Yumbe, Moroto DLG, Obongi, Gulu DL

Group B: Municipal Local Government: Gulu MC, Moroto MC, Mbale MC

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