

Capacity Development (CD) Mission to Guyana - 21-Dec-2009

The Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sport (MCYS) in Guyana wants to make youth the resource and solution to crime, unemployment, and health. With support from UNDP, the MCYS analyzed the core issues of leadership, knowledge and institutional arrangements, along with the functional areas of policy, planning, monitoring and evaluation and project management. The result was a capacity development roadmap for organizational transformation and effective empowerment of youth. Rather than youth being the source of the problem, youth will now drive the solutions and ultimately affect positive social change.

Guyana performs a self-assessment on its management of development aid

With support from UNDP-Guyana and a joint support misión between the UNDP Regional Centre in Panama and the organization Debt Relief International, in November 2009 the Ministry of Finance and its Project Management unit conducted a self-assessment exercise on their capacities to manage Official Development Aid.



Being aware of a reduction in bilateral ODA the last years, the government wanted to explore how to better manage the financial resources as an integrated part of a Project supported by UNDP Guyana. The misión also considered the relationship between managing development aid and the country's debt, given that Guyana has been one of the countries that have aigned the Paris Declaration as well as the Heavily Indepeted Poor Countries (HIPC) initiative.



The misión concluded with recommendations for the government, and the Ministry has expressed interest in implementing better ODA management in the country.

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