

INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET

IDENTIFICATION / CONCEPT STAGE

Report No.: ISDSC15641

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I. BASIC INFORMATION

A. Basic Project Data

Country:	Jordan	Project ID:	P157861
Project Name:	Piloting Delivery of Justice Sector Services to Poor Jordanians and Refugees in Host Communities		
Team Leader(s):	Paul Scott Prettitore, Fernando Fernandez-Monge		
Estimated Date of Approval:	31-Mar-2016		
Managing Unit:	GGO23	Lending Instrument:	Lending Instrument
Sector(s):	Law and justice (50%), Public administration- Other social services (30%), General public administration sector (20%)		
Theme(s):	Other public sector governance (20%), Access to law and justice (20%), Legal services (60%)		
Financing (in USD Million)			
Total Project Cost:	2.5	Total Bank Financing:	0
Financing Gap:	0		
Financing Source			Amount
State and Peace Building Fund			2.5
Environment Category:	C - Not Required		

B. Project Development Objective(s)

The development objective is to increase access to justice sector services for poor Jordanians, particularly women, and refugees in host communities through innovative service delivery reforms where public sector services are strained by hosting of refugees.

C. Project Description

The proposed project supports the SPF strategic objectives by: i) supporting measures to improve governance through service delivery improvements involving partnerships between government and civil society and enhancing institutional performance of the Family Protection Departments and the Legal Aid Referral Unit of the Ministry of Social Development; ii) responding to the needs of vulnerable Jordanians and refugees by providing more effective means to resolve legal problems that exacerbate poverty/exclusion and increase tension between hosting communities and refugees; and iii) increasing the knowledge base for successful interventions in resolution of legal problems for communities affected by hosting large numbers of refugees. Successful piloting of legal aid services

will lay the foundation for improved service delivery and could be translated into more systematic reforms benefiting all of Jordan.

It consists of two components:

Component 1 – This component will pilot a legal aid referral system by the Justice Center for Legal Aid (JCLA) within the Ministry of Social Development (MoSD). MoSD provides services primarily to women, thus most beneficiaries will be women. Roughly 70% of JCLA beneficiaries of legal aid are women. A referral unit will be established to refer MoSD clients to legal aid (information, counseling and legal representation) providers, such as JCLA, to resolve legal problems related primarily to family law (alimony, child support, child custody), juveniles charged with crimes, domestic violence and access to National Aid Fund benefits. These services will be provided to poor Jordanians and refugees. Capacity-building activities will also be conducted with MoSD and JCLA staff to ensure proper management of the referral unit.

Component 2 – This component will pilot legal aid offices managed by JCLA attached to units of the Family Protection Department (FPD) of the Ministry of Interior. The FPD was established under the Law on Domestic Violence, and are a one-stop shop for addressing domestic violence complaints through intake, investigation by the police, and access to medical and social services. The beneficiaries of its services are mostly all women. To enhance their work, FPD would like to include the provision of legal aid services to the one-stop model that will allow poor women to initiate criminal complaints against their abuses, and obtain civil protection orders (restraining orders) guaranteeing them access to their homes and expedited access to alimony, child support and child custody. The pilot will involve establishment of legal aid units in Amman, Mafraq and Aqaba. The centers in Amman and Mafraq will allow FPD offices to cope with increased cases linked with refugee communities.

D. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)

E. Borrower's Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies

F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team

II. SAFEGUARD POLICIES THAT MIGHT APPLY

Safeguard Policies	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/ BP 4.01	No	The scope of this project and its activities would have no negative impacts on the environment and society.
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	
	No	

Physical Cultural Resources OP/ BP 4.11		
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	

III. SAFEGUARD PREPARATION PLAN

Appraisal stage ISDS required?: No

IV. APPROVALS

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