# GROUND WORK

## NIMPALA

## **Donors Conference Summary**

Second Conference on Nimpala's Economic and Social Development and Post-conflict Reconstruction

### **COMMUNIQUE**

Under the auspices of the World Bank, the Government of Nimpala convened its international partners for the second conference on Nimpala's economic and social development, under the title *Towards a Renewed Cooperation for Stability and Development*.

Responding to a joint invitation from President Ndgogo and the World Bank, representatives from donor countries, multilateral institutions and other cooperation agencies involved in Nimpala reaffirmed their solidarity with the Nimpalan people and their government, who are facing difficult challenges due to the compounded effects of the food crisis, remaining insecurity and isolated instances of violence, and the limitations from slow economic recovery.

All the participants emphasized that Nimpala is at a decisive turning point and that there is currently a window of opportunity to be seized. They acknowledged the need to adopt a new cooperation paradigm to stimulate growth and promote equitable and inclusive development for all Nimpalans.

The Nimpalan government presented an urgent program improving security in Nimpala and reducing Nimpala's dependence on agriculture vulnerable to droughts and water shortages. Donor's emphasized the twin goal to generate 100,000 new jobs over the course of the next two years in various sectors, in both urban and rural areas. Towards that end, the government committed itself to launch a vast program to rebuild and repair transportation infrastructure and to improve land management to stimulate agricultural production, favoring labor-intensive projects, and will take measures necessary for sustaining job-creating investments, in close collaboration with donors, financial institutions and the private sector.

The Nimpalan Government is equally committed to improving basic services such as education, health care and the supply of potable water, sanitation, paying special attention to safety and environmental standards and to ensure that sufficient resources are allocated for maintenance.

The international community partners announced additional contributions totaling \$249.7 million for the next two years with a significant portion supporting general operating costs of the national government.

Participants considered that the conference offered an opportunity to take a first step in such direction and allowed them to launch a true process to align their projects and programs with the government's priorities, to develop a matrix of mutual commitments regarding governance, and to apply a common matrix for budget support. They agreed to reinvigorate joint planning for priority sectors. They reaffirmed the principles of the

Declaration of Paris on aid effectiveness as a guide for their actions and agreed to take the necessary measures to accomplish that goal.

All participants recognized the frailty of Nimpala's public finances, despite a rigorous budgetary discipline and prudent management of monetary and fiscal policies. The partners agreed to pursue joint efforts on this matter on the basis of their recent agreement on the Partnership Framework for Budget Support.

To this end, the Government of Nimpala, in collaboration with its partners, is committed to put in place a process of consultation and political dialogue. This process will help build on the achievements of the conference regarding the reinforcement of aid effectiveness and coordination.

The Government of Nimpala thanked the donor countries, the international organizations and all participants for responding to its invitation.

#### Nimpala Donors Conference Summary of New Pledges

Fiscal Year 2010-2011					Fiscal Year 2011-2012			
Dilatarala	General Budget			EV 10 T-1-1	General Budget		•	Data Tabal
Bilaterals	Support		Investment	FY 10 Total	Support		Investment	FY11 Total
UK		10	28.9	38.9		8		8
United States		15.7	23.2	38.9		8.2		8.2
Country C			4.1	4.1			5	5
France			6.2	6.2			1	1
China		3.2	17	20.2		3.2	4	7.2
Japan			7	7			3	3
Sub-totals		28.9	86.4	115.3		19.4	13	32.4
Multilaterals	General Budget Support		Investment	FY 10 Total	General Budget Support		Investment	FY11 Total
EC			30.2	30.2			6.2	6.2
African Development Bank			5.3	5.3			5.3	5.3
World Bank		15.2		15.2		15.2		15.2
UN/IFAD		3	9.3	12.3		3	9.3	12.3
Sub-totals		18.2	44.8	63		18.2	20.8	39
Totals		47.1	131.2	178.3		37.6	33.8	71.4