

U.S. State Department Program Design and Results Policy (Seed)

Design orientation

Programs should align with foreign assistance priorities while remaining realistic for local operating conditions.

Program logic expectations

- Define a clear strategic context and problem framing.
- Set objectives tied to practical lines of effort.
- Specify measurable expected changes and explicit assumptions.

Governance and compliance cues

- Integrate safeguarding considerations in activity planning.
- Use transparent partner selection and oversight practices.
- Include periodic risk reviews and adaptive management checkpoints.