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## MSATM COMPLETES THE LDP MINIMUM CONDITIONS EVALUATION IN THE DISTRICTS

The Ministry of State Administration and Territorial Management (MSATM) has conducted the Local Development Programme (LDP) Minimum Condition Evaluation, with the objective to measure the performance of the District Assemblies in the LDP implementation. In accordance with the Ministerial Diploma 1/2010, the Local Assemblies can only access the Local Development Fund when they meet the minimum conditions in terms of accountability, transparency and local contribution or participation. The evaluation team identified three main challenges faced by the Districts: lack of facilities, limited human resources and complexity of the procedural framework. The last aspect is particularly reflecting the 2010 scenario, where the co-presence of LDP and DDP regulations was somehow affecting the implementation of the project planning. The expectation is that the upcoming Integrated District Development Planning (PDID), which intends to harmonize the LDP and DDP procedures into a broader scope on local development, will contribute to simplify planning and implementation activities in the field.

Following the evaluation, the Ministry will request the National Directorate for Local Development and Territorial Management (DNDLOT) and the Local Governance Support Programme (LGSP) to provide technical assistance to the Districts to promptly respond to the main gaps and identified needs.

### Evaluation result of each District

District	Evaluation score	Category
Manufahi	96.82	Most satisfactory
Covalima	90.23	Satisfactory
Ainaro	90.17	Satisfactory
Manatuto	79.00	Satisfactory
Bobonaro	69.14	Good
Baucau	62.46	Good
Lautem	56.13	Sufficient
Aileu	50.00	Sufficient
Viqueque *	75.00	Satisfactory
Oecussi *	70.45	Good
Ermera *	69.79	Good
Liquica **	90.00	Satisfactory
Dili **	96.00	Most satisfactory

\*: Districts that have implemented the LDP for the second year

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## DISTRICTS DISCUSS 2012 BUDGET, TOWARDS INTEGRATED PLANNING

### In Brief

#### Activities in July/August:

- Project Verification for 2011 Investment Plan



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Minister Arcangelo Leite interviewed by Radio

**Dili, June 2011-** The Ministry of State Administration and Territorial Management (MSATM) organized the first District Budget Coordination Workshop on 13-14 June 2011 in Dili, in collaboration with the Local Governance Support Programme (LGSP).

The event was attended by all the District Administrators and relevant line Ministries, and it was formally opened by H.E. the Prime Minister Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão.

The main objective of the meeting was to discuss the 2012 projects proposed by the Districts, aiming at synchronizing the development planning in the Districts and at the national level. A total amount of 720 project proposals were submitted and will further be prioritized by the respective Local Assemblies.

"Today is an historic moment for the path toward the District full integrated planning and decision making in 2012, - the MSATM Minister, Mr. Arcangelo Leite said - and I hope that our efforts will respond to the community needs in the country. As the

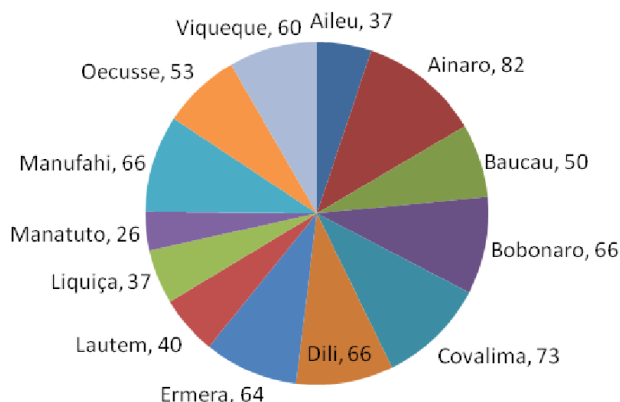
Prime Minister said "Governance is about serving the community". We have this responsibility, and we have to improve our work based on the lesson learned from the past experiences in the implementation of the Local Development Program (LDP) and the Decentralized Development Package (DDP)." "Now we must move on, and DDPI, DDP2 and LDP must proceed under the current framework,- Minister Leite added- but in the near future, the integrated program will better define the different competencies and responsibilities of the District and of the central government."

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The Minister also emphasized the key role of civil society in the whole process, stating that "State building and nation building would have no sense without the active participation of civil society and private sector. This is why, for instance, this Ministry will soon make an agreement with FONGTIL - the Timor Leste main NGOs forum. Following the workshop, the Ministry of State Administration is currently in consultation with the Ministry of Finance on the determination of the budget allocation for 2012. The final amount will then be allocated to the different Districts, where the Local Assemblies will take the final decision on the projects to be prioritized.

## NUMBER OF PROJECTS PROPOSED BY THE DISTRICTS FOR 2012



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