### **TERMINAL REPORT**

**Basic programme/project information** (To be provided by programme or project management)

**Programme/Project number and** ARM/97/P023

title: "PREVENTION ACTIVITIES ON AIDS IN ARMENIA"

Designated institution: National Center for AIDS Prevention of Ministry of

<u>Health</u>

**Project starting date:** 

Originally planned: 13 December

1997 Actual: October

1998

**Project completion date:** 

Originally planned:

New: December 2000

Total budget (\$):

Original: USD 57, 000

Latest signed revision: USD 82, 000

**Period covered by the report:** October 1998 - December 2000

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#### **PART 1: NUMERICAL RATING**

Rate the relevance and performance of the programme or project using the following scale:

1 - Highly satisfactory 4 - Unsatisfactory 2 - Satisfactory X - Not applicable 3 - Unsatisfactory, with some positive elements

Place your answers in the column that corresponds to your role in the programme or project.

SUBSTANTIVE FOCUS	Target groups	Project Coordinator	Government	UNDP
A. RELEVANCE				

1. How 1111 <b>QWRI</b> the project to the development priorities of the country.	1	1	1	1
2. How relevant is the project to the promotion of sustainable human development among:		-		
(a) to health care workers	1	1	1	1
(b) to decision makers on HIV/AIDS	2	2	2	2
(c) to the general population	2	2	2	
2. How relevant is the project to raising awareness on HIV/AIDS				
(a) among health care professionals	1	1	1	I
(b) among teachers	2	2	2	1
(c) among social workers	.~	2	2	,
(d) among general population				
3. To what extent are the target groups being reached by the project:	2	1	1	2

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# **B. PERFORMANCE**

1. Using the following indicators, rate the contribution of the outputs to the achievement of the immediate objectives: a/				
Raising awareness on HIV/AIDS issues				
among:			_	
(a) health care workers	1	1	I	1
(b) decision makers on HIV/AIDS	3	2	2	2
(c) teachers	2	2	2	1

(d) youth	2	1	2	1
(e) general population	3	2	2	2
Rate the production of target outputs.	~ _	1	1	1
3. A re the management arrangements of the project appropriate?	у	2	2	
Are project resources I financial, physical and manpower) adequate in terms of:				
(a) quantity?	2	2	2	2
(b) quality?	2	2	2	2
5. Are project r sources being used efficiently to produce planned results?	2	2	2	1
6. Is the project cost-effective compared to similar interventions?	2	2	2	2
7. Based on its work plan, how would you rate the timeliness of the project in terms of:				
(a) Production of outputs and initial results"		1	2	1
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Please indicate your overall rating of the programme or project using the following numbers:

- 1 Highly satisfactory
- 2 Satisfactory
- 3 Unsatisfactory, with some positive elements 4 Unsatisfactory
- 5 Not applicable

## **Target Groups**

Project Coordinator

## Government | UNDP

## OVERALL RATING OF THE PROGRAMME OR PROJECT



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a'</sup> The programme or project manager must list the indicators as reflected in the programme support document or *project document or agreed on by the stakeholders*.

#### PART II: TEXTUAL ASSESSMENT

1. What are the major achievements of the programme or project <u>vis-a-vis</u> the expected results? Please explain them in detail in terms of potential impact, sustainability of results and contribution to capacity development.

The implementation of the program ARM/97/023 "Prevention Activities on AIDS in Armenia" has been started on November 1998. The preparation of the materials has been started simultaneously in order to have ready materials for World AIDS Day-98. The service for health professionals is established to help them to find the necessary answers to questions concerning HIV/AIDS prevention in the health care facilities, information on HIV/AIDS laboratory diagnosis, clinical care, patients counseling.

The TV Program (45 minutes) was prepared by TV Program "Kartsik" ("Opinion") on the 1<sup>St</sup> national TV Channel, prepared by Mr. Sergey Yeritisyan, who was also the member of the Parliament. The program is very popular among the population in Yerevan as well as rural area. We consider his participation in the World AIDS Day activities as an important factor for future advocacy in National Assembly of Republic of Armenia in the issue of HIV/AIDS Prevention. The program included interviews with leading specialists in the field of STD, HIV/AJDS Prevention, and Chief Narcologist, STD patient, HIV infected person and IVD user. Number of on-street interviews with young people had been made to determine the attitude of them towards the HIV/AIDS issue. These interviews alternated with the explanations of the specialists to provide the correct information and formulate the right approach to the problem.

The program had been broadcasted on November 28, 1998 and then repeated several times by the National TV Channel 1 and private TV stations.

Four TV spots have been created with the purpose to promote the health life style. The topics of the TV spots were condom promotion, anti-drug promotion, in commemoration of Freddie Mercury. These TV spots have been pre-tested with the randomly chosen group of people different ages, sex, as well as socio-economic status. The TV spots (total duration 4minutes 15 seconds) have been presented to National TV Channel 1 and private TV stations for broadcasting.

Booklets with ten different topics were designed and printed for distribution. The topics of the booklets are HIV and IVDU, HIV and first medical aid, AIDS: basic facts, condom promotion, Basic facts about Syphilis, Hepatitis B, Chlamidiosis, Herpes Genitalis, Gonorrhea, Trichomoniasis. The total number of printed copies is 50,000

In order to reach the target population these booklets were distributed during all activities dedicated to World AIDS DAY. In addition, large amount of the materials was provided to different youth NGOs for distribution in all Universities of Armenia.

The information folder, especially for mass media, had been created for World AIDS Day. This folder includes UNAIDS documents translated into Armenian, calendar with prevention motto and the set of booklets. Five hundred copies of this folder was distributed during the press conference which launch the information and education campaign and start of activities dedicated to Worlds AIDS Day.

For World AIDS Day we implemented the education campaign with motto "Hour of awareness about HIV/AIDS Prevention". In 12:00 of December 1, simultaneously, in 20 schools of Yerevan and outside of Yerevan (Eghegnadzor, Giumry, Ararat, Aragatsotn, Tavush) the interactive education lessons were started. For implementation of this activity we collaborate with following NGO - "People for Healthy lifestyle", "Scientific Association of Medical Students", "Red Cross Society of Armenia".

Moreover, printed materials were provided to all government and non-government organizations, which conducted the health education activities in Armenia.

An agreement was signed for cooperation with UNDP project "Integrated Support to Sustainable

Human Development". In the frame of this project socio-economic and development consequences of HIV/AIDS epidemic were presented in the regions were the project implemented activities. This training was planned mainly for the staff of Mayor's Office of regions of Armenia.

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Printed materials also provided to First Aid Teaching Center of Red Cross Society of Armenia with purpose to distribute then in the remote sites of Armenia where this Center conducted the education activities. Most health care providing centers and hospitals received our materials (STD Centers, Antenatal Clinics etc.). All attendees of National Center for AIDS Prevention, independent of the purpose of their visit, received printed materials.

ARM/97/023 project reveived cost charing by UNICEF (\$5,000) for TV prpoduction targeted to youth and by "World AIDS Foundation" (\$20,000) for the training programme in the regions. conducted in 10 marzes (regions) of Armenia by the support of "World AIDS Foundation". Medical professionals from different institutions and different levels including infectionists, general practitioners, gynecologists and nurses deal-ing with high risk behavioral groups will be invited for training. The close collaboration with "Latter-Day Saint Charities" (Armenia) organization is established. They support our Center with medical books, laboratory supplies. fruitful collaboration between the "Peace Corps" (Armenia), Ms. Sylva Etian, Country Director and National Center for AIDS Prevention is established. They are proceeding the health education program in schools and include the HIV Prevention component in their program.

2. What factors affected the achievement of programme or project results?

There was a minimal risk regarding the actual improving the capability of the National Center of AIDS Prevention and provision of education/information programme. The actual implementation of the programme, due to various reasons., took more time than it was foreseen in the project.

3. What lessons (both positive and negative) can be drawn from the experience of the programme or project?

Seminars for Head Physicians of Hygiene Antiepidemiological Surveillance Stations, Epidemiologists, Infectionists Dermatovenerologists, Narcologists and Laboratory Doctors as well as general practitioners, gynecologists and nurses dealing with high-risk groups were conducted in Yerevan and in all Marzes. Video production was produced and covered by local TV channels. Informational materials were published for different groups at high risk of HIV infection. However, the seminars as well as publications and promotional materials have not been produced without technical assistance of the project and other international assistance and were mostly depending on the financial assistance of donor community. Moreover, the target groups did not include the military and individuals in penitentiary institutions.

4. What are the views of the target groups with regard to the project? Please note any significant genderbased differences in their views.

The target groups (both groups at high risk of HIV infection and health care professionals of different levels) were of opinion that provision of information on HIV-related issues as well as seminars for health care workers must be of periodic character.

5: If the project has been evaluated, what is the implementation status of the recommendations made by the evaluators?

A project terminal report was prepared for consideration at the terminal tripartite review meeting. It was prepared in advance to allow review and technical clearance by the executing agency one month prior to the terminal tripartite review in order to incorporate appropriate comments.

- 6. What activities or steps do you recommend as follow-up to the project?
- Publishing of information materials for different risk groups.
- Creation and broadcasting of TV and radio spots directed to target groups.
- Regular broadcasting of radio and TV programmes on HIV/AIDS prevention focused on different population groups.
- Creation and broadcasting of television and video films aimed at raising public awareness on HIV/AIDS-related issues as well as sexual and moral education of youth.
- 7. Provide any other information that may further support or clarify your assessment of the programme or project. You may include annexes, as you deem necessary.

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### PART III: Programme/project summary table

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Designated institution:	National Center for AIDS Prevention	December 2000

#### OVERALL ASSESSMENT

The project was very relevant to providing assistance to the National Center for AIDS Prevention (NCAP) of the Ministry of Health in the implementation of Information/Education Program directed to the general population, health care workers as well as decision makers on HIV/AIDS and means of prevention through publications on HIV/AIDS prevention.

The overall development objective of this project is to prevent HIV epidemic in the country through improving capacity of the National Center for AIDS Prevention, to raise awareness on HIV/AIDS amongst health care professionals, teachers, social workers and the population in general. The immediate objectives of this project were the following: to improve the capacities of the National Center of AIDS Prevention through the creation of the Training Center, the provision of large training program for health care professionals, including staff of the Center, health care professionals of different levels, teachers and social workers and key responsible persons, implementation of education and broadcasting program. A review of the outputs and the status of the immediate objectives, as well as the current practices indicate that the UNAIDS/UNDP/WAF support has hel; red to implement the Information/Education Program focused on the general population, health care workers as well as decision makers on IIIIV/AIDS.

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Source of funds	Budget (\$'000)	Estimated expenditure (\$'000)	Delivery (%)
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#### SUMMARY OF RESULTS

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Achievements Obj. 1

Obj. 2

To improve the capacities of the National Center of AIDS Prevention through the creation of the Training Center.

The provision of large training program for health care professionals, including staff of the Center, health care professionals of different levels, teachers and social workers and key responsible persons

The appropriate room in the Center was renovated. Four personal computers were procured. The UNAIDS Best Collection materials, WHO materials on HIV/AIDS prevention, available in the Center as well as the materials prepared and printed in the Center have been put in this room. Also the materials of "Info-AIDS" which are available on the diskettes were installed in the computer for public use purpose. The service for health care professionals is established to help them to find the necessary answers to questions on HIV/AIDS prevention in the health care facilities, information on HIV/AIDS laboratory diagnosis, clinical care, patients counseling. The training seminars in 10 hospitals of Y erevan were organized for health care professionals front different institutions and different levels including infectionists, general practitioners, gynecologists and nurses dealing with high-risk groups. The number of lectures was conducted in the Colleges and Medical University for students. The seminars for medical doctors from different hospitals were organized. 11 seminars (300 participants) were held for Head Physicians of Hygiene Antiepidemiological Surveillance Stations, Epidemiologists, Infectionists Dermatovenerologists, Narcologists and Laboratory Doctors in Kapan, Gyumri, Y erevan, A rarat, V anadzor, Gavar, Goris, Idjevan, Megri, Hrazdan, A rarat.

Obj. 3

Implementation of educatt.+n; in.1 l'.ulra, c'iintii prt} gntnt.

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	Output targets	Achievement of outputs
I	To improve the capacities of the National Center of AIDS Prevention through the creation of the Training Center.	
put 01	Equipped Training Center with library, computerized database and information channel for health professionals, educational modules for health professionals of different levels and module for health education/information activities for general population.	<ul> <li>Procurement of computer, scanner, establishment of accus Internet.         <ul> <li>Establishment of "AIDS Line" and "AIDS Base" compute program to improve access to HIV/AIDS related informatio medical professionals.</li> <li>Development, design and publication of educational but brochures, training modules and visual materials.</li> <li>Creation of audio-video clips for broadcasting.</li> <li>Establishment of "Hot Line" to provide population wi appropriate consolations on different aspect of HI VIA including psychological counseling, safe sex behavior, information.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Obj. 2

on available services etc.

necessary for library

~ Procurement of equipment and publications (books, journals

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The provision of large training program for health care professionals, including staff of the Center, health professionals of different levels, teachers and social workers and key responsible persons.

Trained staff in National Center for AIDS Prevention, including 5 doctors, 4 nurses and psychologist, 50 medical professionals from different medical institutions of Yerevan and marzes, group (100) of trainers who will be able to provide necessary i i l, nnation and educati, in activity

in Armenia, better understanding of negative output of HIV/AIDS epidemic on personal and social level by key resh~-nsible persons.

- Training of staff of National Center for AIDS Prevention (internal and external)
- Training seminars for health care professional from different institutions and different levels including infectionists, general practitioners and nurses dealing with high-risk groups.
- Training seminars for teachers and social workers (100 participants)
- Training seminar and workshops for key responsible persons (25 participants)

Implementation of education and broadcasting program

0ittput 0! lm ease awareness amongst general population including pupils, students regarding different aspects of III \-. AIDS problem in teams of safe sex behavior.

- Education program on prevention of HIV/AIDS in schools provided by trained teachers and local NGOs in Yerevan (50 schools) and Marzes (20 schools)
- Education program on HIV/AIDS prevention in Universities provided by staff of National Center for AIDS Prevention.