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ACTIVITY SUMMARY

Implementing Partner: Pact, Inc.
Activity Name: Advocacy, Awareness, and Civic Empowerment (ADVANCE) Project
<p>Activity Objectives:</p> <p>Strengthened civil society organization (CSO) capacity for effective program and financial management</p> <p>Increased CSO capacity for effective advocacy for key policy reforms such as budget transparency, access to information, and judicial oversight</p> <p>Strengthened public-private (CSO) partnerships to fight corruption through public oversight agencies and initiatives</p>
USAID/Nigeria SO: SO11: Strengthened Foundations for Democratic Governance
Life of Activity (start and end dates): May 23, 2005 through May 22, 2010
Total Estimated Contract/Agreement Amount: \$8,000,000
Obligations to date: \$5,236,848.00
<p>Current Pipeline Amount: \$1,309,563.25, of which \$623,289.82 is already obligated to sub-grantees and therefore not available for any other purpose – leaving an Effective Pipeline Amount of \$686,273.43</p>
Accrued Expenditures this Quarter: \$605,107.99
Activity Cumulative Accrued Expenditures to Date: \$3,927,284.75
Estimated Expenditures Next Quarter: \$550,000.00
Report Submitted by: Dan Spealman, Senior Program Manager
Submission Date: 22 nd October 2007

I. BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW

The ADVANCE project has three program objectives:

Objective ONE: Strengthened civil society organization (CSO) capacity for effective program and financial management

Objective TWO: Increased CSO capacity for effective advocacy for key policy reforms and civic participation, including in electoral processes

Objective THREE: Strengthened public-private (CSO) partnerships to fight corruption through public oversight agencies and initiatives (Pact Anti-Corruption Initiative, ACI)

After the initial shock over the pervasiveness of voter disenfranchisement in the April 2007 elections, Pact/ADVANCE partners sought to develop strategies for how to use the election outcome and the attendant flawed administration as a platform for pursuing electoral reform and to inform preparations for 2011. The groundwork was thus laid for activities aimed at formally launching an electoral reform advocacy agenda, when for the first time ever in the history of Nigeria, ordinary Nigeria citizens were given a safe forum to discuss their election experiences and make recommendations for electoral reform in Nigeria. The event helped to start the healing process for citizens traumatized by electoral fraud, and highlighted that it was the populace's mandate that was stolen and not just those of wealthy politicians (as was being postulated by the media). People from all geo-political zones of the country began the process of documenting the electoral history of Nigeria to aid reforms.

While supporting this important follow-up to the elections, Pact also refocused its work in this period back towards core ADVANCE programming, namely anti-corruption advocacy. The most important aspect of this work was the deepening of Pact and its partners' budget advocacy efforts to go beyond the National level, and to reach downward to the State level. Pact supported numerous groups to begin the work of engagement with their respective governments on budgetary issues across various sectors. In addition, this period witnessed the roll out of Pact rolled out a number of customized organizational capacity building activities and PACT Nigeria facilitated the second Stakeholder Evaluation and Review meeting.

II. QUARTER PROGRESS

A. Summary of Outcomes

Grants and Program Management, and Partner Capacity-Building

- Four new NEITI partners added to the grants portfolio.
- New organizational and advocacy capacity baselines established for four new partners.
- Training on organizational capacity-building conducted for partners.
- State level budget partners trained on advocacy and budget monitoring.
- Second Stakeholder Evaluation and Review meeting held.

Program Implementation

- Plans developed for monitoring implementation of PPB and NEITI laws.
- ADVANCE partner nominated to represent civil society on PPB council.
- Greater awareness of all bills among legislators and citizens
- Greater media interest in all bills through media advocacy and sensitization.
- Simplified anti-trafficking law produced and launched for easier access and understanding by citizens.

The ADVANCE program continues to ensure meaningful civil society participation in ongoing reform efforts of the Government – equipping CSOs and building their capacities for effective engagement with the GON. The quarter under review featured full-blown engagement of the ADVANCE Budget Advocacy project at the State level, with the signing of sub-grant agreements in May and subsequent capacity-building activities on budget advocacy, analysis and monitoring .

During the July-September 2007 reporting period, the program continued mentoring and capacity-building in the course of overseeing and supporting partner program implementation. New sub-grant awards were made during this period to four new partners on Oil Revenue Transparency and Civic Oversight of the Nigeria Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (NEITI). Sub-grant modifications were also made for a few partner CSOs who could not finalize outstanding project activities within the agreed period.

B. Program Management

Indicator 1: Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) representing marginalized group(s) engaging with Government

Indicator 9: Sub-grants issued and effectively managed¹

Indicator 10: Project-Level Planning and Timely Reporting²

General Portfolio Management

This quarter Pact again increased its sub-project portfolio – adding 4 new partners for a total of 26 over the life of the project. The new partner CSOs are all involved with Oil Revenue Transparency and Civic Oversight of the NEITI process. Of the 26 sub-projects, 10 were completed last quarter and 3 ended this quarter (MRA, CISLAC and ZCC’s project on Advocacy on the EFCC Amendment Act). Including the 4 new sub-awards signed this quarter that means that 11 sub-projects are on-going and will roll-over to FY 08. The current partners are ACE, IPC, AAIN, CIRDDOC, JDPC, CISHAN, AAN, AGREMO, CASS, ERA and WANGONeT. However, the ACE and IPC projects, which were granted no-cost extensions this quarter, will be completed in the first quarter of FY 08.

During this reporting period, the program activities of all CSO partners were continuously and closely monitored to ensure high program quality and also to ensure that marginalized groups were included in program activities. Equally, Pact Nigeria maintained the high visibility of partner programs through sustaining attendance at most ADVANCE programs by Pact Nigeria staff and representatives of the US Government.

¹ Indicator 9 is not a PMP indicator.

² Indicator 10 is not a PMP indicator.

Annual Stakeholder Evaluation Review

The Pact Nigeria Annual Stakeholder Evaluation Review meeting was also conducted during this quarter. It provided Pact an opportunity to update stakeholders on program progress so far and receive feedback from them. The meeting had a very wide range of participants comprising ADVANCE CSO partners, USAID staff and implementing partners, and relevant government agencies

A key component of the exercise was the partner's assessment of Pact/ADVANCE support and suggestions on how Pact can improve services to partners. Some of the main areas of feedback from the partners were: they would like assistance to develop sustainability plans; they would prefer consistency in Pact's thematic areas (referring to the project's shift to focus on elections mid-stream); and they indicated the desire for even more interaction between Pact and Partners to discuss program progress.

A significant thrust of the meeting was also to enable various stakeholders to provide input and contribute to the development of the ADVANCE FY08 workplan. Emerging issues / opportunities in anti-corruption and transparency were identified, including the Public declaration of assets by the President,; the trial of ex-governors over corruptions; as well as monitoring opportunities for CSOs afforded by the passage of the Public Procurement and NEITI Bills into laws. These issues are reflected in the ADVANCE FY08 workplan.

A detailed report on the ADVANCE S.E.R will be sent under separate cover.

Sub-Grant Modifications

The sub-grant agreements with 4 partner CSOs were modified with no-cost extensions to enable them to complete their outstanding activities. The partners granted extensions were MRA (issued their 2nd modification to extend their award from June 1st to July 31st, 2007); IPC (also issued their second modification to extend their award from September 1st to October 31st, 2007); CISLAC (extending their award from September 21st to the 30th, 2007); and ACE (issued their 3rd modification to extend them from August 1st to November 31st, 2007. Finally, Pact issued ActionAid International Nigeria (AAIN) the first modification to its sub-grant agreement to harmonize the project dates with the USAID fiscal calendar and incorporate election related programming.

Sub-Grants Made to Existing Partners

During the reporting period, an additional total of **\$44,829.40** was advanced to four of the ADVANCE program's initial seven partner CSOs (PWYP, IPC, CISLAC and WOTCLEF) for program implementation.³ In addition, the sum of **\$55,429.13** was advanced to four other partners (ACE, JONAPWD and ZCC) within the set of existing partner CSOs dealing with elections, state budget monitoring and advocacy partners, for program implementation. Thus, the cumulative total disbursements/advances to all existing partners to date, most of whose projects have been completed, stood at **\$990,922.66** (up from \$890,664.13 in the last quarter).

³ The fifth and sixth partners, MRA and AAIN did not request a draw-down this quarter as they were still making use of funds disbursed in the last quarter. The seventh partner, JDPC/ACE completed their project last quarter and will be closed out as soon as outstanding documentation is submitted.
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Sub-Grants Made to New Partners

Four new partner CSOs were added to the ADVANCE sub-grants portfolio during this period to focus on Oil Revenue Transparency and Civic Oversight of the NEITI process in targeted Niger Delta states comprising Rivers, Bayelsa, Akwa Ibom, Cross River, Edo and Delta. The partner CSOs and their sub-projects' target states are:

- Centre for Advanced Social Science (CASS), located in Port Harcourt and conducting programming in Rivers, Bayelsa and some selected states across the remaining five geo-political zones;
- Environmental Rights Action (ERA), located in Benin-city and implementing in Edo and Delta states;
- AGREMO for Development, located in Calabar and providing interventions Cross River and Akwa Ibom; and
- West African NGO Network (WANGONeT), located in Lagos where they will implement a training project with participants drawn from across the country.

A total of **\$255,125** was approved and obligated for these partners, with **\$31,275.16** of that obligation advanced to two of the partners (AGREMO and WANGONeT) that were able to meet the first disbursement requirements before the end of the quarter. Therefore, the total advance made this quarter to all partners for sub-grants is **\$131,533.69**, excluding subproject consultancies. Consequently, the cumulative total disbursements/advances so far made to all the sub-grantees at the end of this quarter stood at **\$1,384,624.92** (up from \$1,253,091.23⁴ in the previous quarter and excluding project consultancies).

Sub-Grantee Expenditures

Of the advanced amount referenced in the proceeding paragraph, the sub-grantees have expended and retired/liquidated the cumulative total of **\$1,074,837.65** (up from \$859,243.96 in the last quarter and excluding in-kind costs and sub-project consultancies).

In-Kind Support and Sub-Consultancies

No new sub-consultancy was carried out during this period, nor were any expenditures incurred on existing sub-consultancies (in terms of actual expenditures based on the retirements/liquidations made by sub-grantees of their previous in-kinds sub-grants/consultancies). Thus, the cumulative total of actual expenditures this quarter for in-kind support and sub-consultancies still remains at **\$358,133.25** as reported in the previous quarter. Therefore, the cumulative grand total expenditures at the end of this quarter, based on retirements/liquidations of sub-grants *including* those expenses from in-kind support and sub-consultancies stood at **\$1,432,970.90** (up from \$1,217,377.21 in last quarter).

Table 1 below provides a summary of current sub-grant recipients (including those receiving in-kind support) along with each sub-award's obligated amount, advances/disbursements, expenditures and balances as of the end of this quarter, September 30th 2007.

⁴ This number corrects a miscalculation from the previous report which listed this total inaccurately.
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Sub-grant Summary

TABLE 1: Summary of Status of ADVANCE Sub-grants and Consultancies (Advances and Actual Expenditures Including Balance) as of the End of Quarter IV, FY 07 (July – Sept 30th, 2007)

Recipient	Time Frame	Project Title	Focus	Obligated Amount (\$)	Advances (\$)	Obligated Balance Due (\$)	Expenditures (\$)	Outstanding Advances (\$)	Project Status
PWYP	30 March 2006 to 31 March, 2007 & extended to May 31, 2007	Publish What You Pay Campaign in Nigeria	Awareness and advocacy around the NEITI and ongoing oil industry audit process	210,000.00	121,995.03	88,004.97	101,444.65	20,550.46	Period ended
MRA	30 March 2006 to 31 March, 2007 extended to May & later to July 31, 2007	Advocacy on Freedom of Information Bill	Freedom of Information Bill (Legislative /Executive advocacy for the final stages of passage/ implementation planning	120,936.80	120,783.57	153.23	82,512.48	38,271.08	Completed
IPC	30 March 2006 to 31 March, 2007 & extended to September 30 th , 2007	Media Strengthening for Reporting on Corruption and Policy Reform	Media audit and capacity building for increased effectiveness of CSOs in using the media for awareness on anti-corruption, trafficking, & budget monitoring	104,535.54	100,670.60	3,864.94	88,123.22	12,547.38	Open
WOTCLEF	30 March 2006 to 31	Public Awareness	Increased awareness, public	85,000 .00	84,262.80	737.20	78,767.94	2,718.70	Completed

	March, 2007 & extended to June 30, 2007	and Advocacy on Trafficking in Women and Children (Kano, Osun and Cross River States)	support and advocacy for more effective policies and enforcement of anti-trafficking laws.						
CISLAC	Sept 20 2006 – August 30, 2007	Strengthening Civil Society Engagement of the Legislative Process through Targeted Policies	Legislative Advocacy & Tracking of Targeted Bills at NASS	160,012.50	156,739.57	3,272.93	135,320.04	21,419.52	Completed
Action Aid Int'l Nig	August 15, 2006 – Feb 22, 2010	CSO Budget Monitoring & Tracking	National & Focal State	280,817 .00	272,352.10	8,464.90	297,341.48	-24,989.38	Open
JDPC/ACE	01 November – 31 st December, 2006	Voter Registration Monitoring in 15 states across all the 6 Geo-Political Zones of Nigeria	Voter Registration and Oversight of INEC	58,000	46,400	11,600	48,881.25	-	Completed
CITAD	01 Feb – 30 May 2007	Voter Education Program	Civic Education (Elections) including training of CBOs on voter	29,725.78	27,789.91	1,935.87	27,952.88	-162.97	Completed

			education; distribution of voter education materials; voter education advocacy visits to traditional rulers and religious leaders; and conduct of voter education forums at grassroots level in 15 Local Government Areas (LGAs) of Kano, Jigawa and Bauchi States in the northern part of Nigeria						
MULAC	Feb 08 – April 30 2007	Right to Vote	Civic Education (Elections) including public awareness lectures for Islamiyya & Conventional schools; Seminar for Imams & Muslim clerics plus public enlightenment & education on the right to vote in 5 States (Kaduna, Kano, Katsina, Sokoto and Niger)	18,510.94	16,810.77	1,700.17	14,018.80	2,791.97	Completed

			in the Northern part of Nigeria						
ACE	March 01 – June 31 st 2007 & extended to July 31, 2007	INEC Oversight and Stakeholder Advocacy. However, project scope increased to include National Peoples’ Tribunal on 2007 Elections	Civic Education (Elections) including tracking & reporting of election s activities in some national dailies; advocacy visits to some stakeholders; conduct of town hall meetings with road transport unions & okada riders associations; & production & airing radio jingles in North Central zone of Nigeria	128,223.13	106,136.02	22,087.11	68,228.43	37,907.59	Open
FOMWAN	March 08 – April 30, 2007	Voter Sensitization for Increased Participation & Protection of Mandate at Mosques, Churches, & Market Arenas	Civic Education (Elections) including advocacy visits to state media; road shows on voter education; and radio dialogues in 5 Targeted States (Kogi, Nassarawa, Kano, Niger and Kwara) in the northern part of	62,089.84	62,153.37	-63.53	62,331.39	-178.02	Complete

			Nigeria						
JONAPWD	March 05 – 31, 2007	Disabled Engaging the Politicians & INEC for 2007 Elections	Civic Education (Elections) for Disabled Persons representatives across the country including advocacy visit to INEC Headquarters, stakeholders' meeting/training; and interactive sessions with politicians	21,812.11	17,399.22	4,412.89	16,668.41	730.81	Completed
ZCC	Feb 28 – May 31, 2007 & extended to July 31, 2007	Engaging the Processes of EFCC Amendment Act in Nigeria	Citizen Participation and Oversight including National summit on the passage of EFCC amendment Act; advocacy visits to chairman of Good Governance group in the House of Representatives & to the House ad-hoc committee; and press conference.	35,234.38	34,482.42	751.96	16,649.45	17,832.97	Completed
AAN	May 01 2007 – April 30, 2008	Strengthening Capacity of CSOs in HIV Budget	Civic Participation and Oversight- HIV/AIDS Budget Tracking &	49,880.06	29,046.76	20,833.30	8,753.47	20,293.29	Open

		Tracking & Improving Transparency in Resource Allocation for Effective Service Delivery in the Prevention & Treatment of HIV in Lagos State	Oversight						
CIRDDOC	May 01 2007 – April 30, 2008	Enabling CSOs to Monitor Government Spending on Education in Rivers State	Civic Participation and Oversight- Primary Education Budget Tracking & Oversight	49,326.17	30,045.10	19,281.07	17,238.42	12,806.68	Open
JDPC, Ijebu-Ode	May 01 2007 – April 30, 2008	Enhancing CS Capacity to Engage the Public Budget Process through the Drawing of Shadow Budgets in Lagos State	Civic Participation and Oversight- Education & Agriculture Budget Tracking & Oversight	49,994.57	27,319.25	22,675.32	-	27,319.25	Open
CiSHAN	May 01 2007 – April 30, 2008	Enhancing Capacity of CSOs in	Civic Participation and Oversight- HIV/AIDS Budget	49,946.27	30,611.87	19,334.40	3,033.36	27,578.51	Open

		HIV/AIDS Budget Tracking & Monitoring of Allocation of Resource & expenditures for attaining MDG in HIV/AIDS in Kano & Rivers States	Tracking & Oversight						
Environmental Rights Action (ERA), Benin-City	September 19,2007-March 18 th 2008	Local Empowerment and good governance in Edo/Delta states, south south Zone of Nigeria	Oil Revenue Transparency & Civic Oversight of the NEITI process	35,433.07	-	34,433.07			Open (Just signed towards the end of September 07)
Centre for Advanced Social Science (CASS), Port Harcourt	September 19,2007-September 18 th 2008	Oil revenue transparency and civic oversight of the NEITI process in Rivers/Bayels states, as well as national perception	Oil Revenue Transparency & Civic Oversight of the NEITI process	86,526.69	-	86,526.69			Open (Just signed towards the end of September 07)

		survey in some targeted states in the remaining 5 geopolitical zones in Nigeria.							
ABGREMO for Development, Calabar	September 19,2007-March 18 th 2008	Legislative Advocacy & Capacity Building for CSOs on oil revenue transparency in Akwa Ibom and Cross river state	Oil Revenue Transparency & Civic Oversight of the NEITI process	33,064.96	12,568.18	20,496.78			Open (Signed towards the end of September 07)
West African NGO Network (WANGO-NeT), Lagos	September 19,2007-December 18 th 2008	Capacity Building for CSOs on oil Revenue Transparency and Civic oversight of the NEITI process in Nigeria	Oil Revenue Transparency & Civic Oversight of the NEITI process	27,136.22	18,706.98	8,429.24			Open (Signed towards the end of September 07)
Total				1,769,170.02	1,384,624.92	384,545.10	1,074,837.65	246,469.49	

In-Kind Sub-grants and Consultancies						
Recipient	Time Frame	Project Title	Focus	Contract Amount	Expenditure	Status
CISLAC, ZCC, IPC and AAIN (in-kind)	In-kind/ Consultancy; ongoing pre-award support	Inception – March 07	Legislative advocacy on the Fiscal Responsibility Bill; NEITI Bill; EFCC and ICPC oversight; Budget monitoring and advocacy	\$330,938.77	\$315,196.80	Complete
ZCC	6 Nov – 8 Dec. 06	National Stick to the Issues Launch	Civic Education (Elections); national launch of stick to the issues in the 6 geo-political zones of Nigeria	2,406.25	2,312.50	Complete
ZCC	Feb 08 – April 30, 2007	Regional Stick to the Issues Launch	Civic Education (Elections); regional launch of stick to the issues in the 6 geo-political zones of Nigeria	70,034.77	Funds expended but not retired.	Complete
Institute of Chartered Trustees Nigeria (ICTN)	March 20 – April 11, 2007	Democratic Right to Vote Credible Candidates into political positions	Civic Education (Elections) sensitization/training of CSOs on democratic rights, production and airing of radio jingles in Nassarawa and Taraba states	18,410.55	15,688.59	Complete
Concerned Professionals (CP)	March 19 – April 15, 2007	Improving Citizen's Participation in the 2007 Elections	Civic Education (Elections) through gubernatorial debates in the 3 states of Lagos, Kano and Anambra States.	18,279.02	16,122.85	Complete
Centre for Democracy & Development (CDD)	March 19 – May 31, 2007	Policy dialogue on institutionalizing mechanisms to address violence against women in public life	Civic Education (Elections) including panel discussion with women candidates, civil society organizations and INEC	18,364.84	8,812.51	Complete
Centre for Development Actions International	March 19 – June 30, 2007	Facilitating A Mainstream Youth Agenda In The 2007 Electoral Process	Civic Education (Elections) including rregional and National Consultative workshops High-profile media appearances & breakfast meetings with	17,960.74	Funds expended but not retired.	Complete

(CDA)			some Political Candidates at selected states and National level			
Young People Initiative (YPI)	March 26 – April 30, 2007	Nigeria Youth Colloquium on 2007 Elections	Civic Education (Elections) through a Two-day National Youth Roundtable on Elections 2007 & Interactive Forum with Presidential Candidates & Chairmen of Political parties	18,359.38	Funds expended but not retired.	Complete
Total				\$494,754.32	\$358,133.25	

C. Programmatic Results

During the reporting period, significant progress was made under each of the key ADVANCE program objectives. Programmatic results are thus elaborated below.

Objective 1: Strengthened civil society organization (CSO) capacity for effective program and financial management

1.4: Organizational Capacity Assessment Index (of Targeted CSOs)

Pact/ADVANCE continued to provide technical assistance to all partners this quarter. Partners were assisted through interventions ranging from project proposal refinement to training on organizational capacity development. Equally, mentoring of existing partner CSOs continued on program implementation and management, monitoring and evaluation, monthly financial and weekly and quarterly program reporting.

A consultant and professional editor worked with Pact/ADVANCE Knowledge Resource and Capacity-building Coordinator, Dominic Ogankpa, to edit the draft Organizational Capacity-Building Manual for use and in conjunction with the Grant Management and Capacity Assessment Coordinator (GMCAC). Pact conducted training on the first module, Strategic Planning, for 17 CSO Partners. As evidenced by the organizational capacity baselines reported below, the issue of strategic planning was a concept quite foreign to many of the partners, hence the drive to administer the training speedily.

The baseline for the Organizational Capacity Index was established for the four additional local partner CSOs on Oil Revenue Transparency and Civic Oversight of the Nigeria Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative projects. These partners are mostly Niger Delta-based and they are Centre for Advanced Social Science (CASS) in Port Harcourt; AGREMO in Calabar; Environmental Rights Action (ERA) in Benin-city; and West African NGO Network (WANGONeT) in Lagos. See table 2 below.

Table 2: Organizational Capacity Index - Baseline

Partner CSOs	Average Index Score
CASS	3.25
Abgremo for Development	2.42
ERA	2.8
WANGONeT	2.51
Overall Average Index Score Baseline	2.75
Common Capacity Gaps Identified	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Governance:</i> Constitutions need review by most (CASS, Abgremo, and ERA); WANGONeT does not have a constitution and was advised to develop one. ERA and CASS need to review their organograms; most lacked strategic plans or needed to improve on existing plans (AGREMO and CASS) and ERA needs a new one since the period for the previous plan has lapsed. Meetings not regularly held as scheduled or no proper documentation of meetings by most (AGREMO, ERA and WANGONeT). AGREMO does not have CAC registration certificate but that is being processed. WANGONeT registration with CAC is not under part C of Company & Allied Matters Act. 	

- *Operational and Management Systems:* Most of them have some relevant operational policies and procedures, which could use improvement. They all have fair project management including monitoring, evaluation and reporting, and require capacity enhancement.
- *Human Resource:* They have some rudimentary administrative/ personnel policies and procedures, of which some are documented but they do not have documented human resource development and training plans. Improved job descriptions and specifications for key positions are required.
- *Financial Resources:* Absence of documented standard financial/ accounting policies and procedures manuals by some (AGREMO, and WANGONeT), lack of documented resource mobilization plans by majority (CASS, ERA and AGREMO). They all require improved overall annual operational budgets; some do not prepare annual external audited accounts (AGREMO and WANGONeT); some (ERA and CASS) prepare annual external audited accounts but they are not up to date. Most use Peach Tree accounting software (ERA, CASS & WANGONeT).

Objective 2: Increased CSO capacity for effective advocacy for key policy reforms and civic participation, including in electoral processes⁵

This objective includes the following indicators:

- **Indicator 2:** *Citizen Input reflected in targeted policies*
- **Indicator 3:** *Advocacy capacity index of targeted CSOs*
- **Indicator 5:** *Number of CSOs/members trained (disaggregated by gender)*
- **Indicator 6:** *Selected policy and advocacy information available (especially through use of media)*
- **Indicator 8:** *Civil society participation in budgetary processes*
- **Indicator 9:** *Increased citizen awareness and understanding of campaign issues and electoral processes⁶*
- **Indicator 10:** *Number of events engaging people and political parties on elections issues*
- **Indicator 11:** *Number of publications and reports produced and distributed on electoral processes and issues*
- **Indicator 12:** *Number of political contestants briefed on issues*

1.2 Citizen Input Reflected in Targeted Policies

Combined Intervention on All Bills

Pact held a “Walk the Talk: Monitoring Government’s Implementation of Legal Reforms” workshop for key national-level CSOs on September 18th and 19th – resulting in those groups developing a monitoring plan for key anti-corruption laws, as well as bills that have the potential to be passed into laws. These CSOs got the chance to identify monitoring opportunities in Public Procurement & NEITI Laws and FOI & FR bills (when passed into law). This activity kick-starts the next segment of CSO engagement in the legislative process, namely monitoring implementation.

Fiscal Responsibility Bill

CISLAC sustained momentum on the FRB by holding two interactive sessions/briefings with the National Assembly Press Corps on “*The State of the Nation and the Legislature.*” These briefings took place at the Senate Press Corps Secretariat. CISLAC also issued a press statement on the non-availability of the Fiscal Responsibility Bill for the President to assent to. The statement specifically berated the technocrats in the NASS for frustrating the passage of the bill to the President for his assent and urged the leadership of the NASS to wade in – describing the move as tantamount to undermining the efforts already put in by stakeholders. The second briefing attracted a total of 39 media correspondents (both electronic and print). It called on legislators to look urgently into passing the Fiscal Responsibility bill.

⁵ Relevant Operational Plan Indicators Submitted by Pact in January 2007 here are Number of USG Assisted CSOs that engage in advocacy and watchdog functions; Number of CSO Advocacy Campaigns assisted by USG; Number of CSOs using USG assistance to promote political participation; Number of people who have completed USG assisted Civic Education and Women-focused CSOs supported by USG assistance to engage in advocacy or promote democratic participation.

⁶ Indicators 9-12 have been added as a result of the incorporation of the new but temporary programmatic focus on elections.

The Executive Director of CISLAC also lobbied legislators for the passage of the FRB when he attended a joint retreat for the House Committees on Finance and Appropriations and Senate Committees on Finance and Appropriations held at Benue Hotel, Makurdi. CISLAC was invited based on recognition of its technical expertise and frequent collaboration with the Committees on legislative issues.

Public Procurement and NEITI Laws

Fifty-six CSO leaders, government officials (from the NEITI Secretariat and Due Process Office), members of the legislature and media fashioned out strategies for monitoring implementation of the Public Procurement and NEITI Laws at CISLAC’s “CSOs – Legislature and Executive Planning Meeting on the Implementation of Transparency Acts” which took place in Lagos. The meeting fashioned out strategies for implementing the NEITI and Public Procurement laws.

A press briefing conducted by CISLAC also touched on issues such as the fact that the National Stakeholders Working Group (NSWG) for NEITI and the National Council on the Public Procurement Act have not yet been constituted.

Trafficking-In-Persons Law Enforcement and Administration Act

As reported in the previous quarter, a “no cost” extension was granted to Women Trafficking and Child Labour Eradication Foundation (WOTCLEF) to enable it publish, launch and distribute a popularized simplification of the Anti-trafficking in Persons Law. This was accomplished in this quarter when as the year neared its completion, WOTCLEF launched its publication of the simplified version of the Nigerian Anti-trafficking law at a well attended ceremony at the Foundation’s new home. It is hoped that wider access to the simplified version of the law will result in more Nigerians becoming knowledgeable regarding how to combat trafficking within their own communities.

1.3 Advocacy Capacity Index of Targeted CSOs

The baseline for the Advocacy Capacity Index was established for the four new additional local partner CSOs focusing on Oil Revenue Transparency and Civic Oversight of the Nigeria Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative projects mentioned above. See table 3 below.

Table 3: Advocacy Capacity Index – Baseline

Partner CSOs	Average Index Score
CASS	2.41
Abgremono for Development	2.1
ERA	2.77
WANGONeT	2.27
Overall Average Index Score Baseline	2.39
Common Capacity Gaps Identified	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some (Abgremono, WANGONeT) of these partners are weak in the area of effectively collecting information and input on the issues from stakeholders. • Some of the partners (AGREMO and WANGONeT) are also weak in policy analysis and formulation of alternative viable policy positions on 	

issues; acquiring and allocating resources for advocacy on the issues; building strong and cohesive joint cooperative efforts; and taking appropriate actions at the right time to influence policy makers; CASS and ERA have reasonable averages on these issues but also could use additional capacity enhancement.

- Engaging the media is also a weakness for most partners except ERA, which uses an e-communications system to advance its issues.
- Most partners tend to focus on too many issues at a time without sufficient concentration for effective and meaningful results; however, ERA focuses exclusively on environmental issues and is making some headway.
- Capacity and experience of all partners is quite low in legislative advocacy.
- Virtually all the partners have implemented a series of relevant advocacy activities in the past, but have not carried out much documentation of their efforts.

1.6 Selected Policy and Advocacy Information Available (especially through use of media)

CISLAC

ADVANCE partners have constantly used the media as a means of advocacy strengthening and in the past quarter, CISLAC sustained momentum on the FRB through a number of means. First, CISLAC's July 2007 edition of the Legislative Digest newsletter provided a special push for the passage of the FRB. This edition was published and circulated to all members of the National Assembly, some key committees, principal officers, relevant government agencies, donor agencies, Embassies, International and local NGOs and other stakeholders. A total of 3,000 copies were printed and distributed.

Perhaps the most successful use of media this quarter consisted of the two interactive briefings held by CISLAC with the National Assembly Press Corps on at the Senate Press Corps Secretariat. The first briefing was captured in the following newspapers:

- *Daily Independent*, 20th August, 2007, ("Bureaucracy Endangers Fiscal Responsibility Bill –CISLAC" page C2)
- *The Nation*, 20th August, 2007, ("Probe Delay in Bill's Passage, Group Urges Lawmakers" page 42)
- *Leadership*, 21st August, 2007, ("CISLAC Tasks NASS Stalwarts on FRB" page 16)
- *Vanguard*, 21st August, 2007, ("N' Assembly Civil Servants Stop Yar'Adua from Signing Fiscal Accountability Bill" page 13)
- *BusinessDay*, 21st August, 2007, ("Group Accuses N/Assembly Clerk of Undermining Fiscal Responsibility Bill" page 6)
- *Financial Standard*, 21st August, 2007, ("Fiscal Responsibility Bill: Group Accuses NASS Clerk of Sabotage" page 3)
- *New Nigerian*, 21st August, 2007, ("Fiscal Responsibility Bill Missing" front page).

The objective of the second briefing was also to call on legislators to look urgently into passing the Fiscal Responsibility Bill. This message was captured by the following news outlets:

- *The Punch*, 19th September, 2007 (picture in page 7)
- *Financial Standards*, 19th September, 2007 (“Civil Society Wants Full Take-off of Economic Reforms Laws” page 7)
- *The Nation*, 19th September, 2007 (“Activists Urge Etteh, Deputy to Step Aside Over Probe”, page 7)
- *Leadership*, 19th September, 2007 (“CISLAC Urges Etteh, Nguroje to Step Aside” page 8)
- *Daily Independent*, 28th September, 2007 (“Contract Scam: Due Process Must be Followed in Lower House – CISLAC”, page C4)
- *Vanguard*, 30th September, 2007 (“NASS Mgt Stalled Presidential Assent on Fiscal Bill” page 6).

In addition, CISLAC’s planning meeting on the Implementation of Transparency Acts, which fashioned out strategies for implementing the NEITI and Public Procurement laws, was captured by the media as follows:

- *Daily Independent*, 28th September, 2007 (“CISLAC, Others Critical to Signing of NEITI, Public Procurement Laws –Aturu” page C2)
- *Daily Trust*, 28th September, 2007 (picture page 9)
- *Guardian* 30th September, 2007 (“Transparency Acts: Overcoming Challenges of Implementation” page 18)
- *ThisDay* 3 October, 2007 (“Legislators Tasked on Pending Transparency Bills” page 68)
- *The Nation*, 8th October, 2007 (“Yar’adua Urged to Implement Public Procurement Act” page 43).

IPC

IPC continued strengthening the media to effectively report corruption with its monthly “Cost of Corruption” newsletter. One edition of the journal analyzed what stolen public monies could do in the area of development. The cover story focused on diverted security funds that have left such institutions as the Nigeria Police Force in a state of deprivation. In general, the edition is a rich compendium of articles, interviews and briefs on corruption in the country.

Handbooks

In order to add value to the handbook on “Corruption Reporting and Budget Monitoring for Journalists,” a research expert, Dr. Oka Obono of the University of Ibadan, was contracted to re-analyze, edit and re-write the entire survey report. The book is now due for publishing before the project terminates by the end of October.

The manuscript of the resource handbook on Coverage of Elections has been finalized and will be published in the next quarter. It will be a useful guide to journalists for coverage on the upcoming L.G.A elections and conflict-related activities. The book also has a rich compendium of ethical reporting for journalists in their every day coverage of events.

1.8 Civil Society Participation in Budgetary Processes

ActionAid Nigeria (AAIN)

ActionAid Nigeria participated in a two Day Budget Retreat organized by the Joint Committees on Finance and Appropriations of the National Assembly in Makurdi, Benue

State between the 20th and 22nd of September. The retreat provided ADVANCE staff with the opportunity to build partnerships with the new heads of the Appropriation and Finance Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives. ActionAid/ADVANCE staff met and held different meetings with the following during the retreat:

- Alhaji Ahmed Makarfi, Chair, Senate Committee on Finance
- Senator Iyiola Omisore, Chair, Senate Committee on Appropriations
- Hon. John Eno, Chair, House Committee on Finance

The brief meetings centered on continuing to enhance relationships and support for civil society engagement with the budget process, as well as to provide information for the chairpersons on future engagements on the 2008 Budget.

ActionAid Nigeria trained ADVANCE budget partners and staff on Public Finance Analysis in Calabar from the 19th of August to the 2nd of September 2007. The training involved capacity-building on community centered approaches to situational analysis, budget analysis, monitoring and advocacy; and featured the pre-testing of the ActionAid Public Finance Analysis Manual.

AAN

AIDS Alliance in Nigeria, in partnership with Pact Nigeria, organized and implemented a one-day stakeholder planning/sensitization workshop to formulate models, strategies and approaches for HIV/AIDS Budget Tracking in Lagos State. The workshop provided a stakeholder-learning forum on accountability issues, dissemination of information, and the development of performance monitoring and evaluation approaches for tracking HIV Budgets. The participants were drawn from CSOs; selected Donor Agencies, the media and some line Ministries in the state. Forty-five participants attended the event.

AAN also organized a one-day workshop on Media Sensitization on HIV/AIDS Financing in Lagos State on building partnership with the media, disseminating information on HIV/AIDS budgeting across the state, and increasing public awareness of resources mobilized, allocated and utilized on HIV/AIDS work in Lagos State. The participants were drawn from Media Agencies in the state, with eighteen participants representing ten media organizations and some selected CSOs.

Finally, an AIDS Alliance Team comprised of eight members and headed by the Executive Director Mr. Mohammed Farouk Auwalu, carried out advocacy visits on July 17th and 18th to the Lagos State Ministry of Women Affairs and Poverty Alleviation and Ministry of Health respectively. At the visits, they briefed the Ministries about the ADVANCE budget project, and sought ways of collaborating on the project and sharing information with the ministries.

CIRDDOC

The Civil Resource Documentation and Development Centre (CIRDDOC) with support from Pact Nigeria organized a 3-day Capacity Building Workshop on Budget Advocacy, Analysis and Monitoring from the 17th – 19th July 2007 in Port Harcourt. The training was aimed at building organizational and programming capacities of Civil Society Organizations and some government agencies to engage the budget process, and to track and analyze Educational sector budgets. The workshop had over 35 participants in attendance.

CIRDDOC also conducted a baseline research and analysis aimed at accessing the situation extant with respect to education and budgeting in Rivers State. The research sought to

decipher why things are the way they are and how they might be changed. The analysis attempts to judge the similarities and differences among groups in the study sample.

Two visits were paid to the project site with the view to ascertaining the level of progress in the implementation of the project activities. The visits afforded the program officers and the budget tracking team the opportunity to share experiences – successes and challenges – encountered in the course of implementation of the project activities. This also created room for participants to strategize on ways to redress the identified challenges towards meeting the objectives of the project.

JDPC

The Justice, Development and Peace Commission (JDPC) of Ijebu Ode organized a training on budget advocacy, analysis and monitoring in the education and agricultural sectors for CSOs and government officials in Lagos State. Twenty-six participants attended the training at Our Lady of Apostle Conference Centre in Lagos State, cutting across civil society groups, representatives from State House of Assembly, the Ministry of Agriculture and Budget Office.

JDPC and representatives from different civil society groups in Lagos state also conducted advocacy visits to the Ministries of Education, Agriculture and Finance in Lagos State. The purpose of the visits was to seek partnerships with government agencies, and to increase the capacity of civil society groups to effectively engage with the government. Apart from bringing citizens' voices and interests into the budget, participation and transparency aid citizens in playing the desired watchdog role needed to ensure that the budget systems and processes work for the general good of all. It also strengthens civil society and government partnerships to fight corruption.

CISHAN

Civil Society on HIV & AIDS in Nigeria (CISHAN) organized a training for civil society in Kano State on HIV budget monitoring, analysis and advocacy on the 4th and 5th of September. The training brought together civil society organizations in Kano State who are working in the field of HIV and AIDS.

1.9-12 Increased CSO Capacity to Engage In Electoral Processes

ActionAid Nigeria

ActionAid launched its Policy Dialogues Series on the 18th of July. The theme of the Dialogue was Legitimacy, Governance and Development: The Role of Elections. The event provided space for 90 participants from civil society, government and the media to review the elections, discuss the impact of legitimacy problems created, and develop suggestions for ways forward in terms of reforms. The Dialogue was attended by civil society, representatives of the Speaker of House of Representatives, and the Secretary to the Government of the Federation; and featured a keynote address by the past Senate President, Ken Nnamani.

Post Election Interventions

ACE

The Alliance for Credible Elections (ACE) provided a public platform for Nigerian people to tell their individual and collective stories on the conduct of the elections of April 2007 when it held a Citizen's Tribunal in July. More than forty witnesses came from all over the country to give their testimonies on the elections and made recommendations for electoral reform. The verdict of this tribunal with documented experiences of voters in the elections and recommendations for electoral reform was published in the Guardian Newspaper, a national daily.

Full page advertorials were placed in two National Dailies which served as an open invitation to the general public. Radio jingles were produced and aired which all contributed to the massive turn out of citizens on the day of the hearing.

As part of the process, ACE staff went around to the six geo-political zones of the country to identify, and groom witnesses for the Tribunal. Five witnesses were groomed in all the regions, with their testimonies recorded on electronic devices for corroboration.

Objective 3: Strengthened public-private (CSO) partnerships to fight corruption through public oversight agencies and initiatives Pact's Anti-Corruption Program (ACI)

1.7 Civil Society-GON Partnership to Implement the Nigeria Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (NEITI) and Strengthen Anti-Corruption GON Agencies

EFCC Bill & ICPC Amendments Bills and Agencies

ZCC fostered interaction between CSOs, and a number of outgoing and newly-elected members of the NASS, when it held an interactive dinner to discuss pending transparency and accountability bills (namely, the Amended Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, EFCC Bill and the Re-Enactment of the Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Crimes, ICPC) and agree on the way forward. This dinner helped to identify progressives within the ranks of newly elected legislators and develop working relationships with them. It also provided a sensitization process for new members on the important roles CSOs play in development and strategies for collaborations.

ZCC carried-out its anti-corruption watchdog role when it convened a meeting with some representatives of CSOs and anti-graft agencies (EFCC and ICPC) to deliberate recent disturbing signals that indicate a slowing down or diversion of the struggle against corruption by the Executive arm of the government. This meeting came as a result of the controversies around the prosecutorial powers of the Attorney-General of the Federation, vis-à-vis the functions of anti-corruption agencies, namely the EFCC, ICPC, and the Code of Conduct Bureau (CCB). A press release was published in the *Daily Trust* and *Punch* newspapers to highlight these issues, and citing the press release, the Senate Committee on anti-corruption invited Nuhu Ribadu (EFCC Chairman) to address them on the issue. This meeting also resulted in increased awareness on the need to strengthen the anti-corruption agencies with a view to making them independent. A letter has been written to the Attorney General requesting a meeting with him.

Annual Federal Appropriations Bills

Reported above under Indicator 8: Civil Society Participation in Budgetary Processes

D. Problems and Opportunities

Partner and Programmatic Challenges and Problems

- CSOs are getting mixed messages from the new government on its war against corruption. It had given positive signals when the President publicly declared his assets, since he is not compelled to do so by law. However, with the recent controversy surrounding the role of the Attorney General and the anti-graft agencies and the implications on the anti-corruption war, CSOs are not sure where the government stands anymore and which way to engage.
- The President's failure to intervene in the current scandal involving the Speaker of the House of Representatives has also cast aspersions on his dedication to fighting corruption amongst Government officials.
- Nigeria has a federal structure and a lot of the anti-corruption initiatives and gains are primarily at the national level (e.g. the NEITI). The challenge now is for CSOs to effectively advocate for implementations of these initiatives at the state levels where it is most needed.
- In the D&G environment in Nigeria, new opportunities for engagement have been thrown up for CSOs, while compelling cases for continuation of some existing initiatives also exist. Project funds for ADVANCE for the new fiscal year (FY08) are quite limited, and so interventions have to be prioritized and some strategic interventions discontinued.
- Lack of access to budget documents and information is still a major challenge, especially in Lagos State.
- ADVANCE state budget partners have had to deal with hostile attitudes coming from civil servants in some States.
- The restive situation in Rivers State led to the postponement of some activities in the State.

Administration and Management Challenges and Problems

- With the departure of the Chief of Party this quarter and the unfortunate loss of the Knowledge Resource Management and Capacity Building Coordinator in October, Pact Nigeria is currently under-staffed, but is moving quickly to identify replacements for these key positions.

Partner and Programmatic Opportunities

- The 2008 Budget Process affords partners the opportunity to engage with various policies. It is also an opportunity to pre-test the various trainings on advocacy and partnerships already built.
- With new Government actors in place, it is hoped that more spaces will open for citizens' engagement with the budget process. Most new governments will also come out with new policies which will require citizen advocacy.
- The Passage of the Public Procurement and NEITI laws provides a huge opportunity for CSOs to engage in monitoring of their implementation, especially since formalized spaces have been created for CSO's in the legal framework of these initiatives.
- The ongoing controversy between the Attorney General's Office and the two key anti-graft agencies (EFCC & ICPC) provides the momentum for civic actors to highlight the need for statutory reforms of the framework of these institutions.

- The ADVANCE project is finalizing its FYO8 work plan and this creates a unique opportunity for new interventions and key partners to be introduced to the program that will help it meet its objectives.
- The contract scandal involving the Speaker of the House of Representatives creates an opportunity for civic actors to raise a campaign for government compliance on the Public Procurement law.

Administration and Management Opportunities

- While Pact is moving quickly to permanently fill staff vacancies, the measures put in place to ensure continued program quality also provide opportunities in the interim. For example, Pact Nigeria staff members are expanding their capacity to undertake certain tasks as they temporarily fill-in for their colleagues. In addition, the organization has ensured that supplementary senior and technical leadership is available – including short-term technical assistance trips from both Washington, DC and the Pact Regional Headquarters in Nairobi. With two trips carried out this quarter, and more already ongoing and planned, there is tremendous opportunity to further link Pact Nigeria with the larger Pact Network of offices, and to encourage injection of new technical expertise from those offices to the program.

E. Activity Changes and Explanations

Very few planned activities during this period were postponed for environmental or quality control reasons. These included:

- IPC’s publication of a survey on corruption reporting, which was delayed so that a consultant could be hired to fine-tune the final draft.
- The restive situation in Rivers State led to the postponement of budget activities in the State.
- Production of the Citizens’ Guide on the NEITI will take place next quarter due to minor internal delays.
- Holding meetings to plan for perception surveys on NEITI will take place next quarter due to minor internal delays.
- One of the organizational capacity-building training modules is complete, but the others are somewhat behind because of sub-contractor delays
- Solicitation of new proposals for general ADVANCE work was postponed until next quarter as Pact is moving to a semi-annual solicitation schedule.

F. Success Stories

Activities under the ADVANCE project have continued to yield impressive results, which in many cases have had transformative impact. Some key stories include the following:

Advance Partner Nominated To Represent CSOs in Government Committee

In recognition of the invaluable role the ADVANCE-supported CISLAC played in the passage of the PPB and its technical expertise thereon, the GON nominated the CISLAC Executive Director, Auwal Musa, as the first ever CSO representative in the newly constituted Public Procurement Council. The CSO seat on the Council was a position CSOs advocated for in the Public Procurement Law. This creates a more formalized space of engagement between the GON and CSOs in Nigeria, and a strategic monitoring opportunity for the implementation of the PPB law. As a result of Pact’s support, CISLAC was

recognized for its role as the leading CSO engaged on advocacy for the Public Procurement Bill before it was passed into law.

CSOs Proactively Develop Monitoring Plan for Anti-Corruption Legislation

As a result of the “Walk the Talk: Monitoring Government’s Implementation of Legal Reforms” workshop that Pact held for key national-level CSOs, organizations now have a monitoring plan for key anti-corruption laws and other prospective laws. These CSOs got the opportunity to identify monitoring opportunities in each of these policies to jumpstart the necessary next phase of CSO engagement in the process, monitoring implementation.

Pioneer Citizens Tribunal on Election Provides Landmark Opportunity to Testify on Irregularities

For the first time ever in the history of Nigeria, ordinary Nigeria citizens were given a safe space to tell their experiences in the 2007 General elections and make recommendations for electoral reform in Nigeria at the ACE-organized People’s Tribunal for 2007 elections. This trendsetter event started the healing process for people who were traumatized by electoral fraud, by highlighting that the stolen mandate in the elections was that of the common Nigerian people, and not that of big politicians (which was the way the media was representing it). People from all the geo-political zones of the country began the process of documenting the electoral history of Nigeria to aid reforms.

Strengthened Relationship between Advance Partner CSOs and NASS

In recognition of their expertise in respective areas of engagement, and of their successful collaboration with the Committees, ADVANCE partners AAIN and CISLAC were invited to a two-day Budget Retreat organized by the Joint Committees on Finance and Appropriations of the National Assembly. This provided immense opportunities to consolidate CSO partnership with the legislature. In addition, as a follow-up to the successful ZCC-organized interactive session with the NASS on anti-corruption bills, the anti-corruption committee of the House of Representatives conveyed its desire to collaborate with ZCC on similar endeavors in the future.

III. HIGHLIGHTS OF PLANS FOR NEXT QUARTER

In the aftermath of the elections, Pact/ADVANCE was able to fully resume its traditional anti-corruption, transparency and accountability advocacy support work – particularly following the implementation of the State budget-monitoring and advocacy programs. Accordingly, the following activities are currently planned.

Partner Activities

- Carry-out lobbying and advocacy for the quick passage of the FRB
- Work with new members of the NASS to provide technical support in terms of oversight on agencies responsible for NEITI and PPB implementation
- Revenue transparency-related research and analyses
- Capacity building on budget tracking, analysis, and monitoring
- Civil society summit on the 2008 budget.
- Legislative advocacy on the FOI Bill
- Advocacy on the Electoral Reforms Bill including drafting and printing proposed amendments.
- Technical Support to NASS Committees on EFCC, ICPC & CCB Amendment Act
- Media Sensitization Forum on the 2008 Federal Budget
- Training of Media on Budget Analysis and Reporting

Advocacy Capacity and Organizational Capacity Indices

- Develop advocacy capacity-building training modules
- Training on monitoring and evaluation for partners
- Finalize organizational capacity-building training modules and implement training
- Capacity-building through mentoring and M&E visits
- Build Pact Staff's own capacity to support anti-corruption advocacy through participation in training programs

Sub-grants

- Quarterly Sub-grants disbursements to some partner CSOs
- Conduct of Pre-award assessment for new partners as the need arises

Program management

- Overall improvement of Pact profile and services provided to grantees
- Preparation of program reports
- Continuation of newsletter distribution, website maintenance and list-serve facilitation.
- Develop further the intellectual capital of Pact/ADVANCE through the identification and formal documentation of partner best practices.

IV. Quantitative Indicator Data

Quarterly Operational Plan Results Table

S/NO	IND. NUMBER	INDICATOR	RESULT
1.	GJD 4.1.6	Number of participants in USG-funded programs supporting participation and inclusion of traditionally marginalized ethnic minority and/or religious minority groups	M-25 F- 12 T -37
2.	GJD 4.1.1	Number of Civil Society Organizations using USG Assistance to Promote Political Participation	4
3.	GJD 4.1.2	Number of Civil Society Organizations using USG Assistance to Improve Internal Organizational Capacity	17
4.	GJD 4.1.3	Number of CSO Advocacy Campaigns Supported by USG	15
5.	GJD 4.1.5	Number of People who Have Completed USG Assisted Civic Education Programs	M-294 F-135 T -429
6.	GJD 4.1.8	Number of USG Assisted Civil Society Organizations that engage in advocacy and watchdog functions	3

Quarterly Program Results Table

Indicator Code	Performance Level	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 target	This quarter target	This quarter actual	Explanation for variance or why not reported during this quarter	Next quarter target	Life of project targets
Objective I: Strengthened civil society organization (CSO) institutional capacity for effective program and financial management								
S11.1	Intermediate Result: Increased civic awareness, advocacy, and empowerment							
	Sub-IR 11.1.1: Increased Civil Society Capacity for Effective Engagement							
	<i>Organization Capacity Index (Indicator 4)</i>							
	Output 4.1: CSO partners meet minimum pre-award assessment requirements	9	10	0	4	Pre award assessments already carried out.	2	20
Objective II: Increased CSO capacity for effective advocacy around key policy reforms such as budget transparency, access to information, and judicial oversight								
S11.0	Strengthened Foundation for Democratic Governance							
S11.2	<i>CSOs representing marginalized groups engaging with government (Indicator 1)</i>							
	Women's Group	26 (BL)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Annual targets only.		38
	Youth	19 (BL)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Annual targets only.		28
	Islamic Groups in the North	8 (BL)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Annual targets only.		12
	Total							78
S11.1	Intermediate Result: Increased civic awareness, advocacy, and empowerment							
S11.1.1	<i>Citizen Input Reflected in Target Policies (Indicator 2)</i>							
	Amended EFCC Bill	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	No target set for this quarter.	N/A	18
	ICPC Re-Enactment Bill	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	No target set for this quarter.	N/A	15
	Fiscal Responsibility Bill	9	10	1	1	1 milestone achieved (20)	1	19
	Public Procurement Bill	8	5	1	1	1 milestone achieved (20)	1	17
	Freedom of Information Bill	8	3	0	0	No target set for this quarter.	0	11
	TiP Law Enforcement and Administration Act	0	0	3	3	1 milestone achieved (21). No further targets set as agreement with implementing partner has expired.	0	3

Indicator Code	Performance Level	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 target	This quarter target	This quarter actual	Explanation for variance or why not reported during this quarter	Next quarter target	Life of project targets
S11.1	Intermediate Result: Increased civic awareness, advocacy, and empowerment							
	Sub-IR 11.1.1: Increased Civil Society Capacity for Effective Engagement							
S11.1.2	<i>Advocacy Capacity Index (Indicator 3)</i>							
	Output 1.2: Increased CSO score on Advocacy Capacity Index	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not applicable in quarterly reports as it is an annual report indicator	N/A	3.5 out of a maximum of 4 points
	<i>Organizational Capacity Index (Indicator 4)</i>							
	Output 1.3: Increased CSO score on Organizational Capacity Index	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not applicable in quarterly reports as it is an annual report indicator	N/A	3.5 out of a maximum of 4 points
	<i>Common Indicator: Number of People Trained -- disaggregated by gender (Indicator 5)</i>							
CI.3.1.a	Trafficking-in-Persons (TiP)							
	Males	59	20	N/A	N/A	No targets set as substantive project with partner has closed out .		140
	Females			N/A	N/A	No targets set as substantive project with partner has closed out .		140
		59	20					
	Total	118	40	N/A	N/A	No targets set as substantive project with partner has closed out .		280

Indicator Code	Performance Level	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 target	This quarter target	This quarter actual	Explanation for variance or why not reported during this quarter	Next quarter target	Life of project targets
CI.3.1b	Who was Trained in TIP?							
	Police	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	No activities in this area	N/A	N/A
	Justice Officials	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	No activities in this area	N/A	N/A
	Journalists	N/A	0	0	0	No activities in this area	0	15
	Youth (15-24)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	No activities in this area	20	300
CI.11.5.a	Civil Society Strengthening					Incl training not included in CI.3.1/CI. 13.6a)		
	Males	802	250	100	249	Quarterly targets exceeded	100	1500
	Females	311	100	60	122	Quarterly targets exceeded	60	800
	Total	1113	350	160	371	Quarterly targets exceeded	160	2300
CI.13.6a	Anti-Corruption							
	Males	605	150	0	70	No targets set due to project focus on elections activities.	90	1300
	Females	246	40	0	25	No targets set due to project focus on elections activities.	60	500
	Total	851	190	0	95	No targets set due to project focus on elections activities.	150	1800

Indicator Code	Performance Level	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 target	This quarter target	This quarter actual	Explanation for variance or why not reported during this quarter	Next quarter target	Life of project targets
	<i>Selected Policy and Advocacy Information Available (Indicator 6)</i>							
	Output 6.1 Percentage of target policies where all key documents available through four sources							
	Amended EFCC Bill				1	ZCC manual on the ICPC and EFCC to educate the citizens on the agencies and how to access them and mobilise public support for their enabling legislation.Copies continue to be distributed through ZCC office.		
	ICPC Re-Enactment Bill				1	ZCC manual on the ICPC and EFCC to educate the citizens on the agencies and how to access them and mobilise public support for their enabling legislation.Copies continue to be distributed through ZCC office.		
	Fiscal Responsibility Bill				3	July edition of CISLAC Newsletter , Legislative Digest and publication containing articles on the FRB were published and distributed . Copies of Draft legislation disseminated to CSOs through various liservs		

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	Public Procurement Bill				2	Copies of legislation available at CISLAC office, NASS and disseminated to CSOs through various listservs		
	Freedom of Information Bill				2	Draft legislation available on partner's website, information disseminated to CSOs through various listservs, mailing lists.		
	NEITI Bill				1	Copies of Draft legislation disseminated to CSOs through various listservs		
S11.2	TiP Law Enforcement and Administration Act				1	Copy of simplified version of the law available at WOTCLEF office and distributed to CSOs.		

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S11.2.1	Civil Society Participation in Budgetary Processes				0			
Objective III: Strengthened public-private (CSO) partnerships to fight corruption through public oversight agencies and initiatives								
Intermediate Result: Increased effectiveness of targeted institutions								
<i>Civil Society-GON Partnership to Implement the NEITI (Indicator 7)</i>								
	NEITI Bill	10	20	5	2	Milestones 22 and 23 were achieved. Two (28 & 30) milestones set for QIV FY 07	2	30
	Civil Society Participation in Budgetary Processes	14	10	4	2	Milestones 6 and 12 achieved. 7 milestones set for Q1 FY 08 for FY 08.		20