MONGOLIA

BASIC FACTS ABOUT PEI MONGOLIA

Timescale: Phase I (2014-2016)

Partners: Ministry of Economic Development, Ministry of Environment and Green Development of Mongolia, and part of existing project teams of UNDP Mongolia.

Focus: To integrate effective pro-poor natural resource management, and to reflect aspects of inclusive green economy in development policy planning and budgeting processes and the monitoring and evaluation framework of Government, with particular emphasis on promoting responsible mining.

MAINSTREAMING CONTEXT

Mongolia’s economy has grown at a fast pace in recent years: GDP growth averaged nearly nine percent annually in 2004-08 largely on the back of high copper prices and new gold production. Although mineral commodities account for about 80% of the country’s exports and mining provides approximately 40% of total government revenues, heavy reliance on these sectors is making the country vulnerable to global economic shocks and is placing increasing pressure on the environment. PEI support to strengthen planning and monitoring and evaluation processes can contribute to improving service delivery and effective management of the mining revenue towards more sustainable and inclusive development.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Strengthen capacity of planners at national and sub-national level in the areas of pro-poor gender responsive environmental management and monitoring and evaluation.

Ensure development planning and strategic documents include the concept of inclusive green economy.

Provide input to the draft Development Planning Policy law to ensure that a coherent and coordinated planning system to be set up to support environment-poverty objectives are mainstreamed into policy and planning.

Review effectiveness of mining policy reforms and recommend how they can benefit poor and marginalized communities.