

Why Follow the Money?

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Why Follow the Money?

- 2010- GoM Resolution -the first practical step towards budget transparency
- GIC worked in 2 soums of 2 aimag- survey- 80 respondents
- Statement: **Citizens should access information on the budget and finance any time**
- In Bayankhutag soum of Khentii aimag
 - 31% -did not agree
 - 7% -agreed
- Guchin Us soum of Uvurkhangai aimag
 - 24% were not able to answer this question
 - 33% were disagree

Controlling the Money: What I can do with my money?

How much would it be, if

- 1 ₺ stolen from every citizen? -3,000,000 ₺
- 10 ₺ - 30,000,000 ₺
- 100 ₺ - 300,000,000 ₺
- 1,000 ₺ - 3,000,000,000 ₺
- 10,000 ₺ - 30,000,000,000 ₺



What I can do with this money?

What is behind stolen 1 ₺?

Checking function-monitoring



Goal- Endless Monitoring

Capacity Building

Information and
Knowledge Generator:
Leading NGO

Culture? –Challenges: What is lacked?

Laws exist

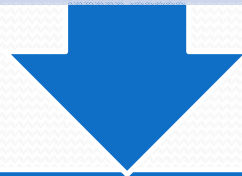
Structures available



Government

Commitment

Performance



CSO

Commitment (Trust+)

Resources (capacity, etc)

Local
Pressure

Outside
Pressure

Political Will





Local Pressure

It would not work

- If citizens' political rights and freedoms are not guaranteed
- If media is controlled and investigative reporting under-developed
- If defamation is a crime
- If.....

May be mechanisms of open market directed to the commercial development would help !!!



Outside Pressure

- Going through country reputation?
 - Pledges before the international community?
 - UN?
 - Going through money?
 - Financial institutions: IMF, WB, ADB, etc?
 - Bi-literal donors?
- Going through collaboration?
 - Other mechanisms such OGP, GPSA etc?

Trust Building is at the Heart of Constructive Engagement

Basic Principles: 3 Cs

- Cooperation
- Consultation
- Consensus

Guiding Principles: 3 Cs

- Coordination
- Communication
- Criticism



CSO Initiatives

- OSF- www.forum.mn
- ✓ Citizens Oversight the Budget
- ✓ Annual Analysis of the Budget and discussion
- ✓ Development of
- ✓ model standards of the local
- ✓ budget transparency and
- ✓ openness (2013)
- ✓ Disclose what you have paid, etc
- Public Awareness and Capacity building of NGOs
- Budget Monitoring by national and local NGOs





Thanks for your attention!

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