



THE CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE FOR THE ALIGNMENT OF ANNUAL BUDGET TO NDPIII

Overview of the Budget Compliance Assessment

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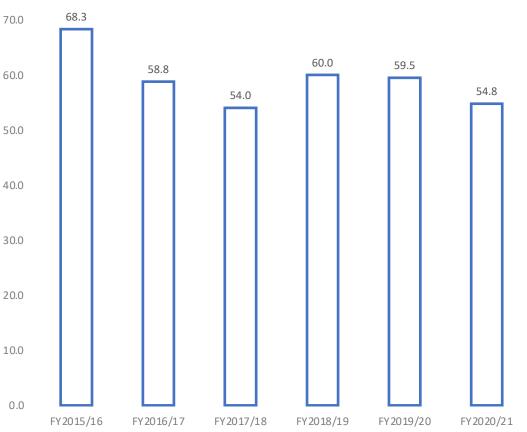


Introduction &Background

- The National Planning Authority (NPA) through its 2002 Act, section 7 is mandated to produce comprehensive and integrated development plans for the country.
- In order to ensure successful implementation of the Plans, sections 13(6) and 13(7) of the PFMA, 2015, requires NPA to issue a certificate of compliance.
- The PFMA, 2015, requires the that Annual Budget (AB) is consistent with the Charter of Fiscal Responsibility (CFR); the National Development Plan (NDP) and National Budget Framework Paper (NBFP).
- NPA has issued (6) CoC of the AB to the NDP since FY2015/16 of which:
 - 5 were under the NDPII (overall improved alignment)
 - 1 under the NDPIII

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Overall Budget Compliance (%)





Introduction & Background-Use of CoC



- The Certificate of Compliance (CoC) serves the following **five (5) core purposes**:
 - 1. Support execution of oversight functions of:
 - ✓ Parliament, regarding budget appropriation
 - ✓ Oversight institutions (OAG, Non-State Actors) to strengthen accountability mechanisms.
 - 2. Informs Cabinet decision making during the consideration of the ABs.
 - 3. Helps MDAs and LGs to improve alignment & performance towards achievement of the NDP and Vision 2040 goals and targets.
 - 4. Gauging Uganda's commitment to achieving the international agenda that is delivered through budget interventions and allocations.
 - 5. Inform the Public about the transparency, consistency and effectiveness of planning and budgeting processes.



Compliance Assessment Process Overall Budget Compliance



- The overall compliance of the Annual Budget (AB) to the NDP is weighted average derived from a step-wise assessment approach undertaken at 5 levels:
 - 1) Macroeconomic Level (10 percent);
 - 2) National Strategic Direction Level (10 percent);
 - 3) Programme Level (30 percent);
 - 4) MDA Level (25 percent);
 - 5) Local Government Level (25 percent).
- The Annual Budget is ranked:
 - Satisfactory if the score is between 80% -100%;
 - o Moderately Satisfactory if the score is between 60% 79%; and
 - o Unsatisfactory if the score is less than 60%.



Compliance Assessment Process Macroeconomic Level



- The Macro level assesses the alignment of the AB to the following areas of the NDPIII Macroeconomic Strategy:
 - i) Macroeconomic policy objectives: poverty reduction, stock of jobs, competitive forex rate, prudent fiscal policy, price stability etc.
 - ii) Targets of the indicators of the four sectors of the economy:
 - Real (GDP, inflation targets);
 - Fiscal (Revenue, expenditure, allocations to the Programmes, public debt, etc);
 - Monetary (MS, credit to non-govt,); and
 - External Sector (CAB & reserves).
- The assessment also focuses on whether the AB is consistent with the Charter of Fiscal Responsibility (CFR), which outlines the *fiscal targets* of a new government over the five years



Compliance Assessment Process National Strategic Direction



- This level assess the extent of alignment of the budget strategy with the NDPIII Strategic Direction. It looks at the NDPIII:
 - i. Goal; & Objectives;
 - Here, the **KRAs** of the NDPIII goal and objective are broken down into indicators and check list column against which the assessment is done.
 - ii. Programme Targets;
 - This level assesses whether AB is geared towards delivering the NDP programme targets.
 - Check whether the BFP/AB outcome indicator and respective targets provided are aligned to those in the NDP for the period under review.
 - iii. Core Projects (68 core projects in NDPIII)
 - This level assesses whether NDPIII Core Projects are being implemented as planned through both release and expenditure outturn performance



Compliance Assessment Process Programme Level



- This level assesses whether AB allocations and target are aligned to the NDPIII Programme priorities
- The assessment is done at four (4) levels:
 - i) Programme Resource Allocation;
 - This level assesses whether the allocation of resources to implement the Programme priorities is aligned to the NDP MTEF in the BFP and AB as well as the half year expenditure
 - ii) NDPIII Programme (Intermediate Outcomes/targets);
 - This level assesses whether AB is geared towards delivering the NDP programme targets.
 - Check whether the BFP intermediate outcome indicator and respective targets provided in the BFPs and AB are aligned to those in the NDP for the period under review.
 - iii) NDPIII Intervention Level budget performance/releases;
 - This level assesses whether programme interventions are planned and budgeted for in line with the NDPIII PIAPs allocations.



Compliance Assessment Process Programme Level



- i) NDPIII Project Implementation/releases to projects.
 - This level assesses whether Programme are being implemented as planned through both release and expenditure outturn performance
- The overall specific programme compliance score is a weighted sum at all these levels with 10, 30, 30, and 30 percent weights assigned to the four components.
- The overall programme level compliance score is thus a weighted sum for all the 18 programmes with a 0.056 weight for each.



Compliance Assessment Process MDA Level



- The MDA level assessment involved assessing whether AB allocations to MDAs are aligned to the NDPIII priorities.
- Assessment is done at four (4) levels i.e.
 - i) Planning frameworks;
 - MDAs are assessed on the existence of approved Strategic plans aligned to the NDPIII in terms of content and timeframe (i.e. NDPIII time frame, 2020/21 -2024/25).
 - Approval entails having the:
 - MDA Strategic Plan cleared by National Planning Authority (NPA)
 - Signature of the responsible Minister and Accounting Officer on the plan for ownership by the leaders.

ii) MDA allocative efficiency:

• Assesses whether resources allocated to MDA to implement specific priorities is aligned to the NDP MTEF in the BFP and AB as well as the half-year expenditure performance.



Compliance Assessment Process MDA Level..



iii) MDA output level results and

- Assesses whether the AB is geared towards delivering the NDP lower-level results or targets
- NDPIII annualized results framework at output level is used as benchmark for assessment of alignment

iv) Public Investment Planning (PIP).

- This level assesses:
 - whether MDA projects in the Public Investment Plan (PIP) are consistent with NDPIII PIP
 - whether MDA projects are being implemented as planned through both release and expenditure outturn performance.
 - the level of implementation of projects (0 not started, 25 undergoing feasibility, 50 ready for implementation, 75 ongoing but below schedule, 100 on schedule)



Compliance Assessment Process Local Government Level



- This level assesses whether AB allocations to Local Governments (LGs) and target are aligned to the NDPIII priorities.
- The assessment is done at three (3) levels
 - i) LG planning instruments;
 - LGs are assessed on the existence of approved Local Government Development Plans (LGDPs) aligned to the NDPIII in terms of content and timeframe.
 - LGDP should reflect the financial year 2020/21 to 2024/25 and annualized results for the same period. (seen on the LGDP cover page and results
 - LGDP goal and objectives should be directly speaking to those of the NDP up to at least eighty (80) percent.

ii) Budgeting instruments;

- LGs are assessed whether the detailed Annual Work Plan and budget (AWPB) is geared to delivering NDPIII anticipated results.
- LG AWPB should be reviewed to see if the results provided are derived from the NDP.
- A score of one (1) is given if an indicated result has been provided for in the AWPB and zero (0) otherwise.
- The overall score at this level is an average of the indicators assessed



Compliance Assessment Process Local Government Level..



iii) Actual budget performance.

- This level assesses whether the releases are according to approved budget estimates of the LGs.
- Budget Data is picked from the annual performance report also called the quarter 4 physical progress reports
- The overall specific LG level compliance score is a weighted sum of **20, 20 and 60 percent** weights assigned to the three components



Compliance Assessment Process Crosscutting issues [SDGs]



- The assessment at this level is based on assessing the consistence of the targeted Programme outcomes in the Programme BFP with the identified targets of the SDG indicators as contained in the NDPIII.
- The intention is to find out whether Programme BFP targets are consistent with the NDPIII identified indicators mapped along the 17 SDGs; 169 targets and 230 indicators.
- A six point scale analysis is used: (i) 0: points awarded if the deviation is above 30; (ii) 1 point is awarded if the deviation i between 24 and 29 percent; (iii) 2 points are awarded if the deviation is 18 and 23 percent; (iv) 3 points are awarded if the deviation is 12 and 17 percent; (v) 4 points are awarded i the deviation is 6 to 11 percent; and (vi) 5 points (for full compliance)
- The overall Goal score is illustrated as:
- This approach is used to assess the other crosscutting issues like Human Rights, EAC Protocols, Digital Transformation, Gender and Equity, Climate Change, HIV/AIDs

