

World Bank Group Strategy for Fragility, Conflict and Violence (FCV) Consultation Meeting in Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Feedback Summary

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Location: Tegucigalpa, Honduras Audience: Civil Society Organizations

Overview: The World Bank Group (WBG) FCV Strategy concept note was presented by Mr. Miguel de Corral (Strategy and Operations Officer) of the World Bank's FCV Group to the following civil society organizations: Foro Social de la Deuda externa y Desarrollo de Honduras (FOSDEH), Asociación de Municipios de Honduras (AMHON), World Vision, Asociación para una Sociedad más Justa (ASJ), and Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras (UNAH). Following the presentation, participants were invited to share their views. The summary below captures the key points, recommendations, comments and feedback raised during the meeting.

Feedback from Stakeholders

1. Overall

- The FCV Strategy is very welcome, as it timely and addresses a critical issue.
- The Strategy represents a recognition of the importance of institutional fragility and violence in development.

2. Key Areas of Engagement

- Prevention is crucial, but important for the Strategy to clearly articulate how development programs can more effectively integrate preventative activities.
- The Strategy should consider how to address structural vulnerabilities in order to more effectively tackle the drivers of FCV.
- Key to address issues of legitimacy and the social contract in order to fully address FCV situations.
- Violence and the absence of economic opportunities are significant drivers of migration important to address the linkage between these issues.
- The Strategy needs to clearly address the impacts of climate change shocks on fragility.
- A sense of impunity and lack of justice can further intensify FCV challenges crucial for the Strategy
 to address issues of social justice, inequities, and transparency and accountability in the justice
 sector.
- Programs that help foster social cohesion are crucial in FCV contexts as a development actor, the WBG has an important role to play in this regard.
- Development programs must respond to the needs and grievances of citizens this is particularly crucial in FCV contexts.

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3. Operationalization of the Strategy

- Understanding the specific context of FCV situations is essential. Participants therefore welcomed the Concept Note's differentiated approach tailored to the specific situation faced by a country.
- Flexibility is critical in FCV contexts in order to adapt to rapidly changing situations on the ground.

4. Additional Issues for Consideration

• Important for the Strategy to consider the importance of decentralization, as municipal authorities often have a longer-term view, and the ability to deliver services and carry out programs to addressing localized FCV challenges.

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