

World Bank Group Strategy for Fragility, Conflict and Violence (FCV) Consultation Meeting with the Office of the Presidential Advisor on the Peace Process (OPAPP)

Feedback Summary

Date: Monday 20 May

Location: Manilla, Philippines

Audience: Government representatives (see attached list)

Overview and Key Issues Discussed: World Bank Group representative, Sarah Michael, welcomed the participants and presented the FCV strategy concept. Participants were then invited to ask questions and to express their views. The following summary highlights comments that were provided by stakeholders and notes general themes across the discussion.

Feedback

Theme: FCV Typology

Comments:

- Participants highlighted the close links between conflict and fragility, and noted that most conflict-affected and conflict-vulnerable areas have very weak institutions.
- They also noted the importance of seeing these as a spectrum, not only as discrete categories.
- Participants encouraged the strategy to not only think about preventing and responding to conflict, but to focus more attention on societal transformation and resilience.
- The strategy should also consider the links between criminality, mafia/vendetta/clan violence etc. and conflict.

Theme: Gender and FCV

Comments:

- Participants encouraged that the strategy needs to highlight the importance of gender issues as relates to drivers of FCV.
- The strategy needs to include due attention to issues of gender-based and sexual violence, including recognizing that part of building communities' capacity for peace is building capacity around gender-based violence.

Theme: Community-level perspectives

Comments:

• To support state legitimacy and accountability, it is key to focus on the local/community level, not just the national level.

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- The citizen-state compact can be strengthened by strong local level actors, yet in many localities, elite capture can be a challenge.
- It is key to involve both formal and local/traditional institutions in peace-building.

Theme: Vulnerability to FCV

Comments:

- The strategy should include due attention to children and their particular needs.
- Youth are not a homogeneous group, yet the strategy does not currently have nuance around different groups of youth.
- The strategy should consider the particular challenges of geographically-isolated areas.

Theme: Other Issues

Comments:

- Security sector reform is a key issue that does not currently come through very strongly in the concept note.
- More flexible funding for FCV from development partners is essential, e.g. the flexibility to adjust programming to emerging needs, not requiring annual work plans, etc.
- The strategy needs to consider the links between human rights violations and FCV.
- The strategy should include due attention to issues of transitional justice and reconciliation.
- Participants are counting on the Strategy to make an important contribution around Monitoring & Evaluation and indicators for FCV, including around issues such as resilience, security, etc.
- In terms of staffing, the WBG is encouraged to not only think about increasing its staffing in FCV countries, but also about recruiting more local FCV experts.

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Attendee List

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