## **SECTION E: SECTOR INVOLVEMENT**

#### 1. NATIONAL DEPARTMENTS

## 1.1 Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (CoGTA)

In 2010 the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Sicelo Shiceka, launched a handbook for Facilitating Development and Governance Responses to HIV and AIDS. The main objective of the launch was to begin an process of embarking on a massive training programme to pave the way for municipalities and provinces to implement the key tenets of the handbook to curtail the impact that HIV/AIDS has particularly at provincial and local government.

The week-long "train the trainer" programme for provincial service providers took place during the week of 22-25 February 2010, and came at a time when CoGTA was maximizing its presence in municipalities to support local government in developing their Turn Around Strategies.

One of the key pillars on which the municipal turnaround process hangs on is the ability of the human resources component's response in tackling the identified challenges within the municipality.

Therefore, the training of trainers as part of the implementation process of the HIV-AIDS Handbook, was a clear demonstration of CoGTA's commitment to mitigating against what could be the devastating impact of the HIV-AIDS pandemic in local government and the vision of a developmental state.

CoGTA's focus on the epidemic follows a sobering realization that local government has a huge role to play to mitigate the impact of HIV and AIDS in their communities hence the call for municipalities to consider the epidemic in their day to day development and governance decisions.

In order to ensure a targeted and impact based approach to dealing with the challenge of HIV and AIDS, the appointed service providers from the provinces who received training, will cascade such training to municipal officials who are expected to employ strategies to mainstream HIV and AIDS related matters in their municipalities and the communities they serve.

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Subsequent to the successful training of service providers, the Free State Province was one of the three provinces which were targeted as pilots wherein a massive training of Integrated Development Planning managers and AIDS coordinators in all municipalities will follow.

## 1.2 Department of Water Affairs (DWA)

Following the approval of Turnaround Strategy for Local Government by Cabinet, the Department of Water Affairs subsequently developed a document which outlined their intended involvement in rendering support to municipalities within the Free State in realizing the objectives set in the Local Government Turnaround Strategy. This document, dated February 2010 and titled as follows: Department of Water Affairs – Free State Support, Collaboration and Engagment with Turnaround Strategy, outline, amongst others the following keys issues of support to municipalities in the Free State.

## 1.2.2 Roles and Responsibilities of Sector Departments: DWA

The CoGTA has indicated the following roles and responsibilities expected from the stakeholders; Provincial, National Government Departments, State Owned Entities (SOEDs) and the other relevant partners in efforts made to support Local Government/ Municipalities in order to turn the tide against the factors that impede developmental local government. The Department (DWA) should therefore respond to the call of duty and functionally and structurally operate in such a way that it can positively, effectively, adequately and efficiently respond to the requirements and rigors of LGTAS and by extension also respond to Operation Hlasela Programme (OHP) and other imperatives of the Government.

- The National and Provincial Sector representatives be informed- study National, Provincial and Municipal reports and related documentation
- Provide all relevant information to Municipalities in the process of preparing the TAS; work with the
  existing IDP to incorporate interventions through the SDBIP. Ensure projects spatially identified via
  the SDF.
- Assess financial commitments for the TAS and assist in sourcing additional skills and resources
- Provide "focal area" advice, guidance and support

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• Improve oversight and support of Municipalities through TAS process and beyond

## 1.2.3 Monitoring and Reporting

The following tabled outline the LGTAS process going forward, and comments or proposed responses by the DWA.

				Comment/
No	Task/ Events	Responsibility	Due	Proposed DWA
				response
1	Presentation and discussion- Cabinet	Cabinet	2 Dec 2009	None
	Development of individual Municipal turn around strategies		Jan- Mar 2010	DWA develop
		All Municipalities		individual Municipal
2				Support Plans and
				inform Municipalities
				accordingly
	Government Departments and SOEs include their plans in the Municipal IDPs		Jan- Mar 2010	DWA fast track the
		All Departments and SOEs		WSDP support
				process, Municipal
3				Support Plans,
				Institutional
				arrangement and
				resource allocation
	Finalization of individual Municipal turn around strategies	All Municipalities	Mar 2010	DWA finalize
4				individual Municipal
				Support Plans before
				the MTAS
5	Consultations with 3895 Wards	CoGTA	Apr/ May 2010	
	Municipal IDPs and budgets are adopted	All Municipalities	June 2010	DWA should have
6				already indicated any
				budget/ funding
				support to the
				Municipalities
7	Report back to all wards on adopted	All Wards	Aug/ Sept	
	programmes and projects	7 di vvaras	2010	

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8	Adopted programmes and projects of wards implemented	CoGTA National,		DWA should be	
		CoGTA Provincial		DWA should be	
		Municipalities	l. l. 2010 l	ready to monitor any support programmes	
		Civil Society	July 2010 and		
		formations	going beyond	and projects	
				provided to the	
		playing advisory		•	
		role		Municipalities	
		1016			

## 1.2.4 DWA Action Plan

Action	Timeframe	By whom	Monitoring	
Provision of information				
to CoGTA and the LGTAS	As requested	Programme Coordinator	Programme Director	
teams				
LGTAS Meeting/	As set by CoGTA & the	Directors to ensure that	Directors	
engagements attendance	teams	the assigned people		
		attend		
	Within 7 days after the	Reports by all convenors		
	LGTAS engagements	Directors to ensure that	Directors	
Reporting	Monthly consolidated	reports are provided and		
	report	sent to the Programme	Zanele Letloenyane	
		Coordinator		
Projects/ Programmes As per the LGTAS		The relevant DWA theme/	Programmo Director	
implementation	timeframe	programme champions	Programme Director	

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# 1.2.5 Roles and Responsibilities of assigned officials

Official	Responsibility		
	Coordinate the entire programme by ensuring that:		
	Information is gathered and coordinated		
	Reports are gathered and coordinated		
Programme	Information/ Reports are submitted to CoGTA and any other relevant stakeholder		
Coordinator	• The needs to effectively coordinate the DWA response to the LGTAS are assessed		
	Provincial LGTAS meetings are attended		
	Additional resources/ personnel are managed		
	Overall LGTAS secretariat		
	Team leader		
	Ensure the participation of the team members		
Responsible	Assign responsibilities where necessary		
Directors	Ensure that the team members provide required information		
Directors	Ensure that reports that may be required are submitted in time		
	Attend National/ Provincial LGTAS meetings		
	• Ensure the implementation of the Municipal Support Plans in their areas of responsibility		
	Participate at the District LGTAS, IDP meetings and other relevant Forums of		
	engagements in the District		
Team members	Provide required information		
	Submit reports that may be required in time		
	Monitor the implementation of the Municipal Support Plans in their areas of responsibility		

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## The DWA generic support areas in municipalities include the following:

Programme	Issues	Specific DWA Municipal support issues
WSDP	<ul> <li>Development</li> <li>Alignment with IDP</li> <li>Implementation</li> <li>Reporting on implementation</li> </ul>	DWA will guide all the  Municipalities/ WSAs in the  development of the WSDPs
WCWDM	<ul> <li>Assessment of the Water losses</li> <li>Development of the BP/ programme to address the losses</li> <li>Implementation</li> <li>Monitoring and reporting</li> </ul>	Support for the development of BPs/ programmes for certain Municipalities/ WSAs
O&M	<ul><li>Development of O&amp;M plans</li><li>Implementation</li><li>Refurbishment</li></ul>	Support for the development of O&M plans for certain Municipalities/ WSAs as part of Water Master planning
Capacity Building and Skills development	<ul> <li>Councillor, Ward Committees, CDWs, CSOs training in the Water Business Elements</li> <li>Training of Treatment plant Operators</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Councillor, Ward         Committees, CDWs, CSOs         training in the Water         Business Elements for some         Municipalities/ WSAs     </li> <li>Training of Treatment plant</li> <li>Operators for some</li> <li>Municipalities/ WSAs</li> </ul>
Guidelines	<ul> <li>Provision of guidelines for various water sector issues; Acts, policies, strategies, etc</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provision of guidelines for various water sector issues;</li> <li>Acts, policies, strategies, etc for the WSAs</li> </ul>

Source: Department of Water Affairs: Free State Support – Collaboration and Engagement with Turnaround Strategy, 2010

## 1.3 National Treasury

### Local government financial management grant (FMG)

The local government financial management grant (FMG) helps municipalities to improve the quality of budgeting and in-year reports, appoint skilled finance officials, participate in the graduate internship programme, build financial management skills, improve processes and procedures, introduce internal controls, publish relevant financial information on municipal websites, enhance audit outcomes, improve management of revenue and expenditure, reform accounting and supply chain management processes, and improve compliance with the MFMA and its regulations.

The grant of was transferred to Tokologo Local Municipality in R 750 000 for the 2010/11 budget year, and the According to the National Treasury Annual Report 2009/10, this grant leveraged support from donors, including the Financial Management Improvement Programme II, a the total allocation of R300 million in 2009/10 was disbursed to all municipalities in terms of the Division of Revenue Act.

The review of internal processes, delegations, implementation plans, changing of past practices, introduction of risk management, and development of financial management skills, continued to receive attention during 2009/10. The unit continued to assist municipalities with budgeting, accounting and reporting as well as risk management and auditing. The skills development programme included the facilitation and accreditation of 39 independent service providers, and the development of quality training material to support the countrywide rollout of the minimum competency regulations. (Source: National Treasury Annual Report 2009/10)

Tokologo Local Municipality also used the grant towards implementation of financial reforms and remuneration of financial interns. Tokologo Local Municipality will continue to use the grant to accelerate skills development, improvement of compliance with MFMA, and strengthening of internal controls systems and procedures.

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2. PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENTS