Provincial Capacity Building Programme

PCaB Consultation Meeting with Department of Finance Stakeholders.

The extension of the PCaB Program Phase two (2008—2012) comes to end in June 2018, therefore, UNDP together with the Program Management have begun the process of organising several consultative meetings with relevant stakeholders. The purpose of these meetings is to give the opportunity to the stakeholders to consult and gauge their views on the draft Project Document for Phase 3 (June 2018—June 2021) which is also called the Exit Strategy before finalising for the Steering Committee’s endorsement for implementation.

The first consultation meeting took place with the Department of Finance (DoF), starting with the senior Advisors to the Secretary, followed by relevant Divisional Heads and Regional Managers within the DoF. Some of these include; FAS Margaret Tenakanai, NTRD, acting FAS Max Bruten – PDFMD and his four Assistant Secretaries, acting FAS Tom Tiki - IACD, AS Chris Paul and AS Chris Waiya of FRCD, AS Betty Seta and her senior trainers, Thomas Leute – FMIP Program Manager and NPC Sam Erepan & the team – PCaB. The UNDP Resident Representative Julie Bukikun presented the proposed prodoc outline of the program to the stakeholders.

The discussion went well, all of them agreed and acknowledge PCaB for the continuous support to the department. In view of the excellent support provided by PCaB to the provinces for PGAS, the PCaB team must also involve during the implementation and post rollout support of IFMS to ensure that the subnational officers are able to operate IFMS successfully. This is vital for sustainability of IFMS within the department and in the provinces (sub-national level).

Central Province is now all geared up for IFMS after the official opening of the pre-implementation training at the PNGIPA Hall at Waigani Main Campus on the 26th February 2018. The pre-implementation training was conducted for two (2) weeks. IFMS and FMTB Trainers facilitated several introductory and business process trainings. A few PCAB Advisors also participated to understand and get hands on with the system so that they can provide the on the job training and coaching in sub national.

The Advisors also provided some support to the Central Province participants during the course of the Training. PCAB Site Advisors need to be very familiar with the new IFMS so that they can provide the on the job training and coaching in sub national.

The IFMS training covered the following introductory and business processes: (IFMS) Concepts, System navigation, Procurement, Accounts Payable, Receipting and part of Budget Execution.

IFMS rolls Out in Central Province.