**Role of PMU:** The PMU will have the operational responsibility for planning and coordinating M&E activities for the entire project. The PMU will also be responsible for:

i. Analysis of all project-level M&E information and generation of regular 6-monthly M&E reports;

ii. Updating key performance indicators by consolidating information provided by the different implementing agencies and the external M&E agency;

iii. Conducting independent field visits to monitor implementation and outputs of selected project activities;

iv. Commissioning special M&E studies as needed;

v. Maintaining the PMIS;

vi. Identifying bottlenecks and corrective actions, if needed;

vii. Documenting success stories;

viii. Regular reporting to the Project Management Committee and the Project Steering Committee; and

ix. Six-monthly reporting to the World Bank on the project status.

These six-monthly reports would include, inter alia:

a. Up to-date physical and financial expenditure data compared to annual and end-project targets;

b. Updated indicators of project performance compared to annual and end-project targets;

c. Successes and problems encountered during the reporting period with suggested remedial actions; and

d. Socioeconomic and environmental impacts of the project.

A full-time senior M&E specialist will be recruited in the PMU and will be responsible for overseeing all activities related to M&E. In addition, a Management Information Systems (MIS) specialist will be recruited to oversee operation of the PMIS.