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# Department for International Development single departmental plan

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Our single departmental plan sets out our objectives and how we will achieve them.

**Secretary of State for International Development**
The Rt Hon Penny Mordaunt MP

**Permanent Secretary**
Matthew Rycroft CBE

The Department for International Development (DFID), working closely with other government departments, leads the UK's work to eradicate extreme poverty, deliver the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and tackle global challenges in line with the National Interest Framework. We do this by ensuring that our work is focused on those including reaching the most marginalised women and girls and people with disabilities. The work we do to make the world a safer, better, more prosperous place for everybody is something the British public can take pride in.

As the UK prepares to exit the European Union, DFID is supporting partners around the world to strengthen their economic independence, to develop their economies and strengthen future trading relationships.

As of 30 April 2019, the Secretary of State is also the Minister for Women and Equalities and Minister for International Development. The Minister for Women and Equalities Government unit is responsible for policy around gender equality and sexual gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) equality, equalities legislation including the Equality Act 2010, and sponsoring the Equality and Human Rights Commission.

## DFID's objectives

We will:

1. Strengthen global peace, security and governance
2. Strengthen resilience and response to crisis
3. Tackle climate change and ecosystems
4. Tackle extreme poverty and help the world's most vulnerable
5. Deliver value for money and efficiency

## 1. Strengthen global peace, security and governance

**Lead minister**
The Rt Hon Alistair Burt MP, Minister of State

**Lead official**
Nick Dyer, Interim Director General for Policy Research and Humanitarian Directorate

### 1.1 Tackle the causes of instability, insecurity and conflict

**How we will achieve this**

Continue to assess the UK's overseas security and justice risks and regions (contributes to SDG 1)

Continue to lead global efforts to tackle sexual violence in conflict with the PSVI (contributes to SDG 5)

Promote effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at national and local levels, including support for elections, democracy, tolerance and the rule of law (contributes to SDG 16)

Deliver conditionality, as set out in the Government's Strategic Vision for International Development (contributes to SDG 1, 2, 3)

Scale up our work on delivering with programmes to help clear mines, and other explosive remnants of war, and deliver mine risk education

### 1.2 Tackle crime and corruption

**How we will achieve this**

Reduce illicit financial flows from developing countries and work to make the UK and other global financial centres more transparent to corrupt money (with DFIT, Home Office and the FCO) (contributes to SDG 16)

Support the delivery of the UK's Anti-Corruption Strategy, including through the implementation of stolen asset recovery and anti-money laundering reforms (with the Home Office and the FCO) (contributes to SDG 16)

Work with others across government to combat the trade in illegal wildlife (contributes to SDG 15)

Work to end the exploitation and trafficking of modern slavery (contributes to SDG 8)

Facilitate stable, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people, including through the implementation of migration and transport facilitation policies with the Home Office and the FCO (contributes to SDG 10)

**Our performance**

**Percentage of DFID's budget spent on fragile states and regions (at least 50% of spend in each year)**

# 53%

**January 2015 – December 2015**

Source: DFID, Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

## 2. Strengthen resilience and response to crisis

**Lead ministers**
The Rt Hon Alistair Burt MP, Minister of State

Harriett Baldwin MP, Minister of State

**Lead official**
Nick Dyer, Interim Director General for Policy Research and Humanitarian Directorate

### 2.1 Support for ongoing crises, including that in Syria and other countries in the Middle East and North Africa region

**How we will achieve this**

Continue to lead the response to humanitarian emergencies (contributes to SDG 16)

Operate a Syria Recovery ODA category and an Syria Offer Development Partnership Fund (contributes to SDG 16)

Provide support for ongoing crises, including in Syria (contributes to SDG 16)

Continue to work together on health, justice and disaster resilience, as part of the Ebola Recovery and Peacebuilding Programme, in the three most affected countries in West Africa (contributes to SDG 16)

### 2.2 Science and technology spend on global public health risks such as antimicrobial resistance

**How we will achieve this**

Fund research and development to tackle the most serious infectious diseases in developing countries, including neglected tropical diseases, malaria, tuberculosis, pneumonia and diarrhoea, and antimicrobial resistance (with DHSC) (contributes to SDG 3)

### 2.3 Support for efforts to mitigate and adapt to climate change and prevent environmental degradation

**How we will achieve this**

Provide support to enable low carbon growth and power countries to develop low emissions (contributes to SDG 7)

Continue to meet international climate finance commitments (through DFID and BEIS) (contributes to SDG 13)

Work to prevent catastrophic environmental degradation, and ecosystem degradation of material scale and of species, including efforts to address marine pollution (with BEIS and the FCO) (contributes to SDG 14)

Increase the resilience of developing countries to climate change, through Development and Humanitarian under the Prosperity Fund (contributes to SDG 13)

**Our performance**

**Number of people reached with humanitarian assistance (food aid, cash and vouchers, including through DFID support)**

# 17 million

**April 2018 - March 2019**

Source: DFID, Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

**DFID spend on climate adaptation and mitigation**

# £755 million

**April 2016 – March 2017**

Source: DFID Spend on Climate Change and Mitigation; release schedule: annually

## 3. Promote global prosperity

**Lead minister**
The Rt Hon Lord Bates, Minister of State

**Lead official**
Nick Dyer, Director General for Economic Development and International Directorate

### 3.1 Promote economic development and prosperity in the developing world

**How we will achieve this**

Increase support to countries to raise their own revenue, in accordance with the Addis Tax Initiative (contributes to SDG 17)

Create more tradable jobs, increase trading opportunities, and make it easier to channel private sector investment to the poorest countries and to make private investment work for development (contributes to SDG 8 and 9)

Help unlock opportunities for economic development in sectors such as energy, infrastructure, urban planning, agriculture and food security, and extractives (contributes to SDG 7, 9, 11, 2 and 16)

Contribute to the Government's Industrial Strategy and Prosperity Fund (with BEIS, the FCO and the Department Finance Institutions to contribute to SDG 8)

Develop the opportunities and cutting-edge technologies offer to developing growth, alongside poverty and improve the UK's offer to the world's poorest (contributes to SDG 8)

### 3.2 Contribute to the reduction of poverty without strengthening UK trade and investment opportunities around the world

**How we will achieve this**

Use trade as an engine for poverty reduction (contributes to SDG 8)

As we leave the EU, secure trade agreements power for the world's poor (Development Centre on UK exports, Development Finance Institutions, Prosperity Fund, Trade Advisory Group and support for partner countries to join the WTO)

**Our performance**

**Levels of Development Capital Investment**

# £819 million

**April 2016 – March 2017**

Source: DFID, Development Capital Investment Levels; release schedule: annually

**Development Impact portfolio scores for CDC**

# 3.04

**(out of 4) January 2014 - December 2016**

Source: DFID, Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

**Number of countries supported by DFID to manage their public finances more transparently**

# 30

**April 2015 - March 2017**

Source: DFID, Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

**DFID spend on improving tax systems (double annual spend by 2020)**

# £26 million

**January – December 2016**

Source: DFID, Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

## 4. Tackle extreme poverty and help the world's most vulnerable

**Lead minister**
The Rt Hon Penny Mordaunt MP, Secretary of State for International Development

**Lead official**
Linda Calshaw, Director General for Country Programmes

### 4.1 Strive to eliminate extreme poverty by 2030 and support the world's poorest people to access sustainable basic services

**How we will achieve this**

Support the delivery of the Sustainable Development Goals (contributes to all SDGs)

Work to ensure fulfilling lives and opportunities for all, at all ages, including for women and marginalised people, including people with disabilities (contributes to SDG 5)

Work to ensure income and quality education for all (contributes to SDG 4)

Work to ensure access to quality healthcare for all, including sexual and reproductive health and rights (contributes to SDG 3 and 5), ensure food security and nutrition for all (contributes to SDG 2), ensure access to clean water and sanitation for all (contributes to SDG 6)

Work to ensure access to clean and affordable energy for all (contributes to SDG 7)

Generalise our work on security to ensure not exploitation DFID as a global leader in this under prioritisation (contributes to SDG 1, 8, 11, 16 and 17)

Increase funding of Indian Ocean and African Research into the Biogeo Impact Studies to global health and prosperity (with DHSC and BEIS) (contributes to SDG 3)

### 4.2 Prioritise the rights of girls and women

**How we will achieve this**

Continue to spend gender equality at the heart of all the Department (contributes to SDG 5)

Provide global leadership on girls' education which is key to progress in many countries (contributes to SDG 4)

Continue to address gender-based violence, including female genital mutilation, and ensure our support for family planning (contributes to SDG 5)

Ensure safeguarding standards across the aid and development sector to prevent sexual, sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment (contributes to SDG 16)

**Our performance**

**Number of children supported to gain a decent education**

# 7.1 million

**April 2018 – March 2019**

Source: DFID, Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

**Number of people with sustainable access to clean water and/or sanitation through DFID support**

# 27.2 million

**April 2015 - March 2017**

Source: DFID Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

**Number of people with access to a bank account (of childbearing age) and adolescent girls reached by DFID through nutrition-sensitive interventions**

# 26.3 million

**April 2015 – March 2017**

Source: DFID, Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

**Number of children immunised against killer diseases**

# 28.7 million

**April 2015 - December 2016**

Source: DFID, Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

**Number of DFID-supported gender-sensitive policy-relevant methods of family planning**

# 8.5 million

**July 2012 – March 2017**

Source: DFID, Results Achieved to Sector; release schedule: annually

## 5. Deliver value for money and efficiency

**Lead minister**
The Rt Hon Lord Bates, Minister of State

**Lead official**
Jon Kaufman, Director General for Corporate Performance Group

### 5.1 Deliver value for money

**How we will achieve this**

Maintain the commitment to spend 0.7% of our gross national income on aid/ensure in developing nations and development assistance (contributes to SDG 17 and Government's Strategic Vision)

Support other departments to ensure high-value spending proposals meet DFID's Office Development Assistance (ODA) rules and to develop best practice and delivery, including application of the top-ups/value Fund (DFIT's Supplier Relationship Management Strategy)

Ensure the Government's Strategic Vision for International Development focuses on ensuring the UK's ODA is spent on the most effective and cost-effective programmes, including implementing the recommendations of the Supplier Impact and Commercial Review (SICR)

Ensure efficiency and effectiveness in our programmes (contributes to SDG 17)

### 5.2 Ensure greater transparency

Continue to ensure DFID is ranked a world leader in aid transparency and honest that every government and partner organisation is ranked as at least 'fair' in the Aid Transparency Index (ATI)

Continue to work to collect multilateral organisations, including the Multi-Donor Performance Assessment Framework, and hold money to account greatness effort to protect and help the world's most vulnerable people (contributes to SDG 16)

Continue to grow the public a new form of publication of the International development budget in spend, through UK and Paris Agreement (contributes to SDG 17)

### 5.3 Deliver tough, independent scrutiny

**How we will achieve this**

Make arrangements for the independent evaluation of the value for money of UK aid, in accordance with the International Development (Official Development Assistance Target) Act 2015

**Our performance**

**UK Official Development Assistance as a proportion of gross national income**

# 0.7%

**January – December 2016**

Source: Statistics on International Development 2017; release schedule: annually

**Portfolio Quality Index Score**

# 104

**(out of a maximum score of 120) April 2016 – March 2017**

Indicator aims to measure portfolio quality specifically to measure the extent to which projects are on track to deliver their expected outputs, with a range from 50 (outputs substantially did not meet expectations) to 110 (outputs substantially exceeded expectation).

Source: Portfolio Quality Index; release schedule: annually

**DFID ranking in Aid Transparency Index 2018**

"Very good"

Source: Publish What You Fund 2018 Index

**Civil Service People Survey employee engagement index**

Source:Civil Service staff survey

Source: Civil Service People Survey; release schedule: annual

## Our equality objectives

We have set objectives to help us advance equality. These are:

1. DFID's aforementioned equality considerations and diversity across all programmes.
2. DFID's Equality Framework ambitions at every level which has been evaluated and developed to reach that by potential.
3. DFID consults staff on how to make DFID as diverse and inclusive as possible.
4. DFID has a culture where we all respect, celebrate and promote the value of diversity and inclusion.

## Our finances

Departmental Expenditure Limit (DEL): £18.1 billion

Resource DEL (including depreciation): £17.6 billion

Capital DEL: £0.7 billion

Annually Managed Expenditure (AME): £1.8 billion

Control totals included in this document are in line with those presented in the Main Supply Estimates 2018/19 and are currently subject to Parliamentary approval. Any changes arising from the Parliamentary approval process will be reflected in later iterations.

Source: Main Supply Estimates 2018/19

## Our people

As at 31 March 2018, DFID had 3,205 people (headcount) including locally engaged staff.

Source: DfID Public sector employment data

**How we contribute to cross-government priorities**

We work across government on cross-cutting issues, including:

- Tackling modern slavery and people trafficking
- Prosperity and industrial strategy
- Security
- Environment and clean growth
- Race disparity



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