

MULTI STAKEHOLDER GROUP 2026 WORK-PLAN



THE NATIONAL PRIORITIES OF EITI TIMOR-LESTE

1	Strengthening Transparency and Accountability	Enhancing the transparency of extractive revenues and expenditures to prevent corruption and ensure that resource wealth benefits the broader population
2	Revenue Management and Utilization	Developing and implementing effective strategies for managing and utilizing extractive revenues, including investing in infrastructure, education, and healthcare to promote sustainable development
3	Environmental and Social Impact Management	Ensuring that extractive activities are conducted in an environmentally responsible manner and that social impacts, including the rights and livelihoods of local communities, are adequately addressed.
4	Capacity Building and Institutional Strengthening	Building the capacity of government institutions and other stakeholders to effectively manage the extractive sector and participate in the EITI process.
5	Public Awareness and Engagement	Increasing public awareness about the extractive sector and engaging citizens in decision-making processes to ensure that they are informed and can hold stakeholders accountable.
6	Economic Diversification	Using revenues from the extractive sector to support economic diversification efforts and reduce dependency on oil and gas resources, promoting sustainable economic growth.
7	Data Quality and Reporting Improvements	Enhancing the quality and accuracy of data reported in EITI reports to ensure reliable and comprehensive information for stakeholders.
8	Strengthening Legal and Regulatory Frameworks	Improving legal and regulatory frameworks governing the extractive sector to ensure fair practices, proper management, and alignment with international standards.

Objective	Rationale: Governance-related challenges and obstacles in the mining sector	Req	No	Activity	Outcome/ Output	Responsible Party(s)	Timeline	2025 Planned Costs, USD/year	Funding Source	Work Progress (low (L), moderate (M), high (H))
1st Objective: To ensure the publication of EITI Report in timely manner and in aligned with EITI Standard 2023	Tender process for IA commenced in 2026, selection of the IA performance evaluation by TL-MSG in January 2026, to hire IA to assist with the preparation of the referred reports of MSG implementation of 2023 EITI Standard. Improvement of TL-EITI reports means considering the disclosure of contextual information of the extractive industry activities (e.g. oil and gas and mining) in the country, attempting to close out the validation recommendation. Following the completion of the requirement #2.4, 2.5 and 7.2 b# (Contract Transparency, BO and systematically disclosure) continued investigation on the previous Mainstreaming study, the MSG decided to include the recommendations TL-EITI report (FY 2025-2026). Furthermore, MSG acknowledged the recommendations from Validation and Independent Administrator (IA) on investigation study report in 2023.	4.8	1	Preparation of ToRs for the independent administrator for the 17th-18th Timor-Leste EITI report and approval by the MSG	To enhance transparency in Extractive Industry, Government and relevant EITI activities as well as producing comprehensive TL-EITI report	MSG Member & Secretariat	January - March 2026	\$150,000.00	State Budget	H
		4.8	2	Selection of IA (tender and approval)		MSG Member & Secretariat	January - March 2026		State Budget	
		4.8	3	Preparation of the 17th and 18th TL EITI report for 2024 and 2025 fiscal year		MSG Member & Secretariat	January - March 2026		State Budget	
		4.8	4	Capacity Building to MSG related to Data Reporting.		MSG Member, Secretariat & IA	January - March 2026	State Budget		
		7.1	5	National Conference 2023 TL-EITI Report.		MSG Member & Secretariat	April - Juni 2026	\$60,200.00	State Budget	
		7.1	6	Dessiminate 2023 TL-EITI Report.		MSG Member & Secretariat	April - December 2026		State Budget	

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2nd Objective: To enhance EITI Institutional Development include capacity building for MSG (Government, Company and CSO) and National Secretariat Members. (National, Regional and International)	This objective is to Emphasize capacity building programs in order to enable stakeholders fully participation within EITI, particularly for CSO stakeholders, private sector, government and national secretariat. With the high demands concerning requirement from EITI standard, it is required stakeholders are fully trained and prepared to implement the established requirements and enable to create advocacies.	1.5 & 1.4	7	MSG workshop for review, monitoring and Approval MSG Work Plan, APR 2024 and 2025, TORs and validation template.	To increase and strengthening knowledge and compliance with the general principles and standard of EITI in the country	MSG Member & Secretariat	January - March 2026	\$83,000.00	State Budget	H
				8		Capacity activities for the MSG member.	MSG Member & Secretariat		July - September 2026	State Budget
			9	Sharing knowledge between stakeholders on EITI standards requirements and EITI implementation in the regional and international level.		MSG Member & Secretariat	July - September 2026		State Budget	H
			10	Participation in the EITI Global Conference.		MSG Member, National Secretariat and International Secretariat	April - December 2026		State Budget	H

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3rd Objective: To implement the recommendations from the last validation in enhancing EITI principles in Timor-Leste	Based on 2023 EITI standard third validation report, EITI Timor-Leste achieve Fairly Low overall score in EITI implementation. This result was obtained through the collective performance from MSG members particularly with improving engagement for industry sector and CSO which contributed to the good governance of EITI Timor-Leste	7.3	11	Discussion on the recommendation(s) from the Board based on the last Validation in 2022.	To improve implementation of EITI Standard.	MSG Member & Secretariat	April - December 2026	\$1,680.00	State Budget	
			12	Preparation for the upcoming EITI validation in 2027 using new standard procedures by EITI Board.		MSG Member & Secretariat			State Budget	
4th Objective: To implement the recommendations of the TL-EITI 2022 and 2023 reports in enhancing the principles of EITI in Timor-Leste	The implementation of the recommendations from the TL-EITI 2022 and 2023 Reports is essential to strengthen transparency, accountability, and good governance in Timor-Leste's extractive sector. These reports identify gaps, challenges, and areas for improvement in revenue disclosure, data reliability, stakeholder engagement, and institutional coordination.	7.3	13	Encourage implementation of the recommendations from the recently published TL-EITI report.		MSG Member & Secretariat	April - December 2026		State Budget	
			2.1	14		MSG drafting legal framework	MSG Member & Secretariat		March - December 2026	State Budget

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5th Objective: To Monitor MSG Work Plan	Monitoring the MSG Work Plan is essential to ensure that planned activities are implemented effectively, on schedule, and in line with agreed objectives. It enables the Multi-Stakeholder Group to track progress, identify challenges or delays, and take timely corrective actions when necessary. Regular monitoring also strengthens accountability among members, supports informed decision-making, and ensures that resources are used efficiently to achieve the intended outcomes of the work plan.		15	Meeting, monitor and update the work plan.	To improve implementation of EITI Standard.	MSG Member & Secretariat	Quarterly		State Budget	

STATUS OF ACTIVITIES

Completed

Ongoing

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MSG Work Plan approved and signed by MSG Member:

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