

Equitable access self- assessment exercise: Supporting new exercise in Armenia

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Background information

- Population – app. 3 million people
- 560 out of 930 communities have their own water and sanitation services
- Access to water in 2013 – urban 99.9%, rural 96.3%
- Access to sanitation in 2013 – urban 96.2%, rural 17.5%

Background information

- ▶ Data on water and sanitation are not always available
- ▶ Access to drinking water and sanitation is a challenge in educational facilities in rural areas
- ▶ Existing tariffs are set at a unified price for 1 cubic meter of water consumed and do not include variable rates

Project planning

- ▶ Objective – Pilot exercise to increase the knowledge on equitable access issues in Armenia and collect data for planning a project
- ▶ Project team – MNP, MoH, MoA and AWHHE
- ▶ Period of implementation: 1 year
- ▶ Stakeholders–ministries, academia, NGOs, etc.

Expected outcomes and foreseen plans for the future

- ▶ Available data on access to water and sanitation
- ▶ Communication of the results of the self-assessment to top government officials and encouraging them to develop a specific proposal

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- ▶ Communication of the results of the self-assessment to international development agencies for the water and sanitation sector
- ▶ Development of publication on the results

Questions to the Expert Group

- ▶ Country publication on implemented project on equitable access to water and sanitation
- ▶ Challenges faced during the project implementation
- ▶ Outcomes of projects for developing corresponding targets
- ▶ Inclusion of the outcomes in the national reports

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