Industrial Development Programme

Background

Ethiopia's national Growth and Transformation Plan II highlights the industry sector as one of the pillars to speed up the growth of the country’s economy. The industry sector is expected to drive the structural transformation from agriculture led economy to industry led economy by establishing manufacturing industries which are labor intensive, competitive and environment friendly.

In 2015/16, the share of the industrial sector in the country’s GDP has reached 16.7% with a growth rate of 20.6%. Though the industrial sector is witnessing growth in all arenas, its contribution to GDP and capacity to generate foreign exchange as well as employment creation have fallen short of the expected target.

Our Approach

UNDP will support an inclusive industrialization approach to create job opportunities to benefit youth and women. It will focus on providing policy advisory services to the Ministry of Industry and capacity-building support to the Metal Industries Development Institute, Textile Industries Development Institute and Food, Beverage and Pharmaceutical Industry Development Institute in collaboration with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

Strategies

- Provision of industrial sector wide advisory services
- Formulation of policies and creating strategies for enhanced growth in the industrial as well as manufacturing sectors
- Building institutional capacity of Ministry of Industry and selected industry development institutions

Highlights of major achievements

- Industrial information system is developed that includes support tracking and evaluation systems
- Technical support provided for the design and roll out of four agro-industrial parks
- Synthesis of the industrial roadmap and strategic plan completed
- Standardized input-output coefficient system put in place
- Feasibility study & business plan preparation on integrated agro-industrial parks (IAIP) completed
- Assessment of manufacturing export performance undertaken

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Going forward

UNDP’s programmatic support continues to focus on providing policy advisory support to government towards industrial sector transformation and enabling the Government of Ethiopia prioritize interventions on Industrialization Road Map and its Implementation Strategy (up to 2025).

Support to implementation of the agro-industrial parks will focus on institutional set up, capacity building, community mobilization and social integration, as well as investment promotion.

Strategic interventions to improve competitiveness and productivity in the prioritized industrial sub-sectors will continue to be supported to enhance coherence and industrial planning.