



Extractive Industries
Transparency Initiative



Guyana



GUYANA EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRIES
TRANSPARANCY INITIATIVE (GYEITI)

WORKPLAN FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY TO
DECEMBER 2024.

BACKGROUND

This workplan is developed by the Multistakeholder Steering Group (MSG) of the Guyana Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (GYEITI) to guide programs and activities aimed at strengthening EITI implementation in the country. It is tailored in line with the Guyana's priorities for the sector and the EITI Standards. The workplan which covers January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024, focuses on addressing remedial issues from the 2021 Validation including MSG Governance and Oversight, EITI Disclosures, and Outcomes and Impact. This document is dynamic and is subject to revision during implementation by the MSG provided that the conditions set forth by the MSG Terms of Reference adhered to.

The MSG has approved GYD127,479,000 as total implementation cost for 2024. The Cooperative Republic of Guyana has committed to fully underwrite the cost of implementation. This is laudable and shows the government's commitment to EITI implementation in keeping with Requirement 1 of the EITI Standard. Notably, this is the first instance that GYEITI's implementation costs is clearly defined in the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) budget.

2024 WORK PLAN

According to Requirement 1.5 of the 2019 EITI Standard mandates the MSG, "in consultation with key stakeholders, should agree and publish a fully costed work plan, containing measurable targets and a timetable for implementation and incorporating assessment of capacity constraints." This workplan which is linked to Guyana's priorities for the extractive sector, outlines programs and activities GYEITI will undertake from January 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024. It addresses implementation requirements from the 2019 EITI, remedial issues from the 2020 Validation, and sets the basis for understanding and developing a roadmap for implementing the 2023 EITI Standard. Consequently, EITI reporting, Systematic Disclosure, Beneficial Ownership, MSG Governance and Oversight, etc. are the MSG's priorities for this workplan.

JUSTIFICATION AND SCOPE OF THE WORK PLAN

The 2024 Workplan builds on GYEITI's previous achievements while exploring new avenues and interventions aimed at full compliance of the 2019 EITI Standard, and the government's priority for the extractive sector.

Below are key deliverables of the 2024 Workplan:

- Address remedial issues from Guyana's 2020 EITI Validation
- Conduct a feasibility study on systemic / mainstreaming EITI disclosures.
- Implement GYEITI Beneficial Ownership Roadmap leading up to the establishment of a BO Registry
- Capacity building for Civil Society Organizations to ensure effective participation in the EITI process.

- Increase publicity and awareness of the EITI process and disclosures to strengthen public debate.
- Build relationships / workshops with media institutions to strengthen GYEITI's dissemination.
- Dissemination of EITI reports to population centers across the country
- Develop roadmap to transition from the 2019 EITI Standard to the 2023 EITI Standard.
- Procure an Independent Administrator to prepare the 6th EITI Report for Guyana
- Sensitization workshop with Parliament on the role and functions of the GYEITI's activities and its role in transparency and accountability in Guyana's extractive sector
- Revise and update the GYEITI Website.
- Build the capacity of the MSG to fully understand and implement its mandate.
- Institutional and Capacity Assessment of the National Secretariat
- Capacity building for staff of the Secretariat.
- Promoting GYEITI activities through dramas, jingles, and advertisements about GYEITI activities.
- Support MSG Constituency Feedback

WORK PLAN PERIOD

The GYEITI Workplan is focused on activities from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. It is expected that full implementation of some of the activities and programs may lag on and extend into latter years. In such instances, succeeding workplans will reflect the continuation of implementation activities.

CURRENCY

Unless stated otherwise, all amounts stated in the 2024 Workplan are denominated in Guyanese Dollar.

HIGHLIGHTS OF KEY DELIVERABLES

No	EITI Requirement	Output / Deliverables	Task/Activity	Performance Indicator	Start	End	Responsibility Center	Amount GYD	Funding Source
Component 1: Normal GYEITI Activities									
1.0	EITI Compliance	Production and publication of the 6 th (FY 2022) EITI Report in line with the Standard	Procure an Independent Administrator to produce the 6 th EITI report	MSG acceptance, approval and publication of the 6 th EITI reports	Q2 2024	Q4 2024	MSG/GYEITI Secretariat	26,000,000	World Bank
1.1	EITI Requirement 2.5	Beneficial Ownership Roadmap Implementation	Recruitment of Consultant	Activities culminated by consultancy report with recommendations for BO Register	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	GYEITI Secretariat	10,000,000	GOG
1.2	EITI Compliance/Systematic Disclosure	Mainstreaming Feasibility Study Validation Workshop	Convening of Validation Workshop	MSG acceptance of recommendations for systematic disclosure	Q4 2023	Q1 2024	WB Consultant/GYEITI Secretariat	159,000	GOG
1.3	EITI Requirement 1	Development of MSG Participation Scorecard	Assessment and automation of MSG attendance record	MSG approval and publication of Scorecard	Q4 2023	Q4 2023	WB Consultant/GYEITI Secretariat	N/A	World Bank

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1.4	EITI Requirement 1	MSG Policy Manual	Development of a policy manual for the MSG	MSG approval, adoption, and implementation of policy manual.	Q4 2023	Q4 2023	WB Consultant	N/A	World Bank
1.5	EITI Requirement 2.5 / Roadmap on implementing the 2023 EITI Standard	MSG Retreat to level set on expectations and design strategies on implementing 2023 EITI Standard.	to provide training and facilitate discussions	Formulation of clear roadmap on implementing new requirements of the EITI Standard	Q2 2024	Q2 2024	WB Consultant/ EITI International Secretariat	N/A (Virtual)	GOG
1.6	EITI Requirement 1	Capacity and Institutional Assessment of the National Secretariat	Assessment of Secretariat's personnel and logistical capacity to implement MSG approved programs	Recruitment/retention of key personnel; strengthened logistical capacities	Q2 2024	Q2 2024	WB Consultant	N/A	World Bank
1.7	EITI Requirement 1	Improved National Secretariat Capacity / Enhanced secretariat's performance	Capacity development based on institutional and capacity assessment	Clearly defined responsibilities of each staff and skills development to perform tasks	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	WB Consultant	N/A	World Bank

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1.8	EITI Requirement 1	Improved National Secretariat Capacity / Enhanced secretariat's performance	Capacity development based on institutional and capacity assessment	Short term course for secretariat staff	Q2 2024	Q4 2024	MSG / GYEITI Secretariat	1,400,000	GOG
Component 2: Validation									
2.0	EITI Requirement 2.4 / Public access to contracts and licenses	Public access to all contracts and concession agreements in the oil & gas, mining, forest, and agriculture (fisheries) sectors	Identify, liaise, and convene with custodial GOG agencies of contracts & licenses. Convene meetings with industry to explain EITI requirements for disclosure	Develop and implement roadmap for public access to contracts & licenses inclusive of contract/license database	Q2 2024	Q4 2024	GYEITI Secretariat	N/A	GOG
2.1	EITI Requirement 7.2 / Data Access and Open Data	Open Data Policy	Workshop with stakeholders (NDMA, MNR, GRA, etc.) to identify	Roadmap for drafting an open data policy for GYEITI	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	MSG/GYEITI Secretariat	1,000,000	GOG

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			bottlenecks to a open data policy	Ensure data files on website are machine readable					
2.2	EITI CSO Protocol	Civil Society Organizations' (CSOs') capacity for effective advocacy of EITI impact evaluation strengthened	Build CSOs' capacity to understand the new 2023 EITI standards	Number of capacity building workshops held; attendance logs and reports from workshops held	Q2 2024	Q2 2024	WB Consultant / International Secretariat	N/A (Virtual)	N/A
2.3	EITI Requirement 1.5 / Broader constituency's inputs incorporated in MSG decisions	MSG Constituency Feedback	MSG engagements with broader constituency	Documentation/ Report on consultative engagements	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	MSG	N/A	N/A
2.4	EITI Requirements 4.1, 7.1 / Public access to EITI disclosures	Identify Legal Barriers to the Regulatory Framework in the Sector	Develop Policy Paper; Parliamentary review of confidentiality in the Tax Act	Roadmap to address legal barriers EITI disclosures	Q3 2024	Q3 2024	Short term Consultancy (local)	3,000,000	GOG

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2.5	EITI Requirement 2.2 / Public access on technical and financial criteria used for the transfer / award of licenses	Public Access to Extractive Sector's Licenses and Contracts	Publishing the technical and financial criteria for license / contract transfer or award on EITI.gy website.	Technical and financial requirement / criteria published on website and number of persons accessing the site.	Q3 2024	Q3 2024	GYEITI Secretariat	N/A	N/A
2.6	EITI Requirement 6.2 / Enhanced EITI disclosures on SOEs	Strengthen Disclosures from State-Owned Enterprises	Virtual Workshop in the rules and practices on the financial relationship b/w GOG and SOEs	Report on SOEs and GOS relations to be published on GYEITI website	Q2 2004	Q3 2004	GYEITI Secretariat	N/A	N/A
2.7	EITI Requirement 4 / Comprehensive disclosure of material Extractive Industry revenues	Comprehensive Disclosure of Extractive Industry Revenues	Scoping study by MNR, GRA, GGMC, NIS, Commercial Registry, etc. to determine material payments in the sector	Report outlining all material payments and contributing agency	Q3 2024	Q3 2024	MSG/GYEITI/MNR	N/A	N/A
Component 3: Communications and Outreach									
3.0	EITI Requirement 7 / Public Awareness	Dissemination of the 5 th EITI Report, and 2022/23	Prepare summarized and simplified reports for public	Printed reports available for distribution (Plain language version)	Q1 2024	Q1 2024	GYEITI Secretariat	1,500,000	GOG

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3.1		Annual Progress Reports to strengthen awareness around population centers across the country.	understanding and awareness. Reports to be widely distribute at outreach sessions in all administrative regions throughout the country	Number of outreach sessions convened and the number of participants that benefitted from the outreach. The number of reports distributed to the public.	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	MSG/GYEITI Secretariat	5,730,000	GOG
3.2	EITI Requirement 7 / Enhanced public awareness of GYEITI activities	Increased digital, social media, and other awareness	Produce/procure jingles and infomercials, radio and television interviews, banners, etc; schools/universities outreach	Target audience and number of /frequency of sessions.	Q1 2024	Q4 2024	MSG/GYEITI Secretariat	2,240.000	GYEITI
3.3	EITI Requirement 7	Parliamentary Engagement	Technical paper submitted to relevant Parliamentary Committee/ Members of Parliament on Guyana's EITI	Increased awareness of Parliamentarians on EITI and utilized members of parliament to enforce/ support increased transparency and	Q4 2024	Q4 2024	GYEITI Secretariat/MSG/Champion	N/A	N/A

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			/presentation of findings of EITI reports	accountability in the extractive sector of Guyana.					

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