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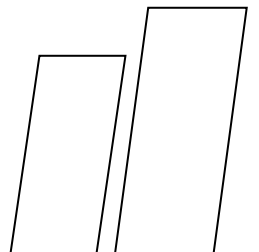




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Vision

- ♦ To provide the highest quality of justice for all
- ♦ To promote public trust and confidence in the courts and effective rule of law

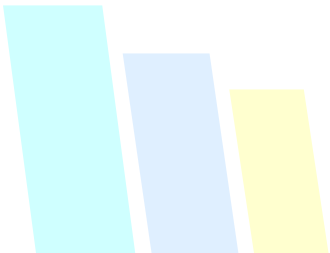


Mission








- ♦ To promote the rule of law and to foster regional peace and tranquility
- ♦ To enhance reliability and public trust in the judicial system
- ♦ To adjudicate cases fairly and speedily in accordance with the law
- ♦ To upgrade the integrity of the court

Values

- ♦ Equality and Fairness
- ♦ Judicial Independence and Integrity
- ♦ Accessibility
- ♦ Efficiency and timeliness



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Judicial Strategic Plan (2018-2022)

Year 2 Action Plan (2019)

The Supreme Court of the Union has been adopting and implementing the Judicial Strategic Plan (2018-2022) with the vision of providing the highest quality of justice for all and promoting the public trust, and confidence in the courts and effective rule of law. Now, the Year Two Action Plan (2019) is published to implement the Strategic Plan.

In order to achieve the vision, mission and values of the judiciary, five Strategic Action Areas (SAA) are organized as follows:

- SAA 1: Facilitate and Expand Public Access to Court Services
- SAA 2: Promote Public Awareness
- SAA 3: Enhance Judicial Independence and Administrative Capacity
- SAA 4: Promote and Ensure the Professionalism, Accountability and Integrity of the Judiciary
- SAA 5: Promote Efficient Case Management and Court Specializations

For the implementation of these Strategic Action Areas, the critical initiatives have been set out as Priority Rank 1, high priority initiatives as Priority Rank 2, and medium-term priority initiatives as Priority Rank 3. Priority Rank 1 initiatives have been starting to implement since 2018, and the Priority Rank 2 will be implementing from now on.

In 2018, the National Case Management Program is commenced as part of the first year initiatives, and the Case Management System is applied in 26 courts. In order to facilitate the public, the modern intake counter and information counter are operated in each court. Besides, the Supreme Court fulfilled the needs of public by supporting for developing the effective legal aid system, training on customer service for judges and court staff, improving public information services at courts, training for judges on

administrative capacity, and publishing annual report in order to give information for the public on performance of the Supreme Court and each level of courts.

Now, the Supreme Court of the Union publishes the Year Two Action Plan to continue the strategic initiatives that are pending since 2018 and to designate and implement the strategic initiatives to be commenced in 2019. The Year Two Action Plan intends:

- To expand the courts applying the case management system
- To upgrade the curriculum of the judicial training school
- To conduct pilot program on court-led mediation
- To finalize and implement the commentary to the Code of Judicial Ethics
- To response effectively to cases of gender-based violence against women and girls
- To publish the manual for the commercial laws

The Action Plan (2019) is a part of the Five Years Judicial Strategic Plan (2018-2022), and it is believed that it will support in implementing the vision, mission and values of the judiciary in order to build and strengthen the judicial system which has public trust and confidence. The Supreme Court also recognizes that the cooperation by the stakeholders, the international partners and civil society organizations takes an important role in the strategic initiatives. So, the Supreme Court of the Union executes the Judicial Strategic Plan to be successful by “the collective strength” of all stakeholders.

The Supreme Court of the Union

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Strategic Action Area 1: Facilitate and Expand Public Access to Court Services

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|--|--|---|----------|--|--|
| Strategic Objective 1.1 Establish effective Legal Aid system | 1.1.1 Support to Union Legal Aid Board to manage and direct an effective nationwide Legal Aid system | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide necessary assistance to build up the regional Legal Aid Boards Provide Legal Aid Boards at Union Level and regional level in order to perform their functions effectively | PR- 1 | LIDP + IT&PRDP + HCs+ DCs+ TCs | Timely Completion |
| Strategic Objective 1.2 Improve court users' accessibility | 1.2.1 Establish modern public information counters and intake counters in courts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrade the information counters and intake counters at 26 CMP Courts specified in 2018 Establish information counters and intake counters at expanded CMP Courts Provide technical assistance for installation of information counters and intake counters in new CMP Courts | PR- 1 | BLDP+ HCs+ PRLM (1 st Quarter) | Number of Established+ Court User Satisfaction |
| | 1.2.2 Develop automated Case Information System (CIS) for the public | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop self-help touch screen display boards for case information at USC Upgrade the system for daily cause-list and order list on LED-TV at USC | PR- 1 | BLDP+ IT&PRDP+ IPs | Timely Completion |

Strategic Action Area 1: Facilitate and Expand Public Access to Court Services

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|--|---|---|----------|---|---|
| Strategic Objective 1.3 Ensure all people with business before the court are treated with courtesy, responsiveness and respect | 1.3.1 Continue training on customer service for judges and court staff | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop curriculum for customer service training and provide necessary assistance by PRLM Train the National CMP trainers and CMP coordinators for customer service training Facilitate the integration of the customer service training curriculum into the Judicial Training Curriculum | PR-1 | CMC+ TDP+ All Courts PRLM (2 nd Quarter) | Curriculum Completion + Number of Trained + Court User Satisfaction |
| Strategic Objective 1.4 Build new courthouses and renovate existing courthouses to improve access to court services | 1.4.1 Develop basic standards of design for improving access to court services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft basic standard designs for each level of courts Distribute basic standards of design to all courts Provide technical assistance to develop the design of new courthouses in courts specified under CMP | PR- 1 | BLDP PRLM (3 rd Quarter) | Timely Completion |

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Strategic Action Area 1: Facilitate and Expand Public Access to Court Services

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|--|--|----------|---|--------------------|
| Strategic Objective 1.4 Build new court-houses and renovate existing courthouses to improve access to court services | 1.4.2 Modernize court facilities to assure adequate and safe access to court services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide public information computer monitors and printer ink cartridges to 26 CMP Courts established under 2018 Action Plan Develop child interviewing protocol for courts and related trainings for judges and courtstaff for the effective use of child friendly interviewing rooms that were established Identify possibilities of expanding child friendly interviewing rooms to other parts of the country Modify the court rooms and provide necessities for the new court houses Provide computer sets to TCs | PR- 1 | BLDP+ HCs+ DCs PRLM (1 st Quarter) UNICEF BLDP+ IT&PRDP | Number of Provided |

Strategic Action Area 2: Promote Public Awareness

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|--|---|---|----------|---|---|
| Strategic Objective 2.1 Improve communication with media and the public | 2.1.1 Train judges on media relations skills | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide the training and technical assistance to the new PIO/CIO on media relation skills | PR 1 | IT&PRDP+ HCs+ All Courts+ PRLM (2nd Quarter) | Number of trained and pre/post training tests |
| | 2.1.2 Improve public information services at courts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide accurate information of public interest and significant litigations to the media • Engage with media frequently | PR 1 | IT&PRDP+ All Courts | Public satisfaction and number of engagement |
| | 2.1.3 Expand public information program | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrade the USC website by uploading modern designs, services and information • Upgrade the USC website in order to transform as Web-Portal • Increase the information upload about the Myanmar Judicial System to the ASEAN Judiciaries Portal (AJP) • Design and develop the websites at HCs • Develop various types of information brochures on children's rights in the courtroom for children in conflict with the law and child victims and witnesses • Publish Judicial Journal and Annual Law Report • Publish Court Annual Report for 2018 | PR 1 | IT&PRDP+ LPDP+ CART+ UNICEF-WG ASEAN Js UNICEF FCA+ UNDP | Level of progress and timely completion |

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Strategic Action Area 2: Promote Public Awareness

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|--|---|--|----------|---|--|
| Strategic Objective 2.2 Enhance community- based programs for court information | 2.2.1 Conduct public outreach programs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist in the development of the public outreach guidelines Provide training on the appropriate user guidelines to the National CMP trainers and CMP coordinators Offer technical assistance and financial support for the development of public outreach materials Perform various outreach programs at all courts | PR 1 | CMC+ IT&PRDP+ ADP PRLM (2 nd Quarter) All Courts | Public Satisfaction + Number of programs |
| | 2.2.2 Conduct public awareness programs on Code of Judicial Ethics for Myanmar Judges | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educate the public on the Code of Judicial Ethics for Myanmar Judges | PR 1 | All Courts+ DP | Number of activities |
| | 2.2.3 Provide court information to community in local languages | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase public access to court information Distribute brochures for court information in local languages: Kachin, Kayah, Kayin, Mon, Rakhine, Shan, etc. | PR 1 | IT&PRDP+ HCs+ MJ (1 st Quarter) | Number of distributed |

Strategic Action Area 3: Enhance Judicial Independence and Administrative Capacity

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|---|--|----------|--|--|
| Strategic Objective 3.1 Build and develop the Judiciary as a strong, trusted and independent institution | 3.1.1 Conduct assessment on current status of judicial independence | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Evaluate existing laws, procedures and practices resulting in recommendations for a stronger Judiciary ★ Conduct data collection to reflect on the independence and accountability of the Judiciary | PR 1 | IR&RDP+ DPWG DP | Timely Completion |
| | 3.1.2 Strengthen relationship with other branches of Government and CSOs to promote a fully functioning and independent Judiciary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Conduct engagements with Government stakeholders and CSOs to present judicial initiatives ★ Strengthen USC's relationship with other branches of government and civil society organizations to promote a fully functioning and independent judiciary ★ Enhance the activities of independent judiciaries ★ Entail drafting Rules and Procedures of the revised Child Law, and other supporting normative framework, as well as organizing required inter-agency workshops ★ Identify national priorities related to justice for children and assess the need for a national policy framework | PR 1 | USC+ Gov't Stakeholders+ CSOs+ HCs IDEA UNICEF | Number of engagements + Perception of stakeholders + Results of workshop |

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| Strategic Objective 3.1 Build and develop the Judiciary as a strong, trusted and independent institution | 3.1.2 Strengthen relationship with other branches of Government and CSOs to promote a fully functioning and independent Judiciary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Support the USC to ensure state/regional level coordination workshops with other justice system actors to improve children's access to quality justice ★ Support the USC to ensure the coordination with other justice system actors to respond effectively to cases of gender-based violence against women and girls | PR 1 | UNODC | Timely Completion |
| | 3.1.3 Strengthen relationship with international judicial institutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Engage with CACJ and other judicial partners | PR 1 | USC+ IR&RDP IJs+ IPs | Results of engagements |
| | 3.1.4 Draft bills, rules and procedures related to judicial sector and provide recommendations to other sectors as appropriate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Continue to adopt the Insolvency Law drafted by the OUSC ★ Develop procedures to implement the Insolvency Law ★ Prepare Practice Notes for the administration of the Myanmar Companies Law and Insolvency Law, and conduct training ★ Develop Directives on admissibility of digital evidence ★ Provide recommendations for bills and amendments to other sectors | PR 1 | LPDP+ WG I+ ILDC+ ILWG ADB JICA | Number of bills and directives published + Timely Completion |

Strategic Action Area 3: Enhance Judicial Independence and Administrative Capacity

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
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| Strategic Objective 3.2 Propose, advocate for and administer the court budget in a transparent and responsible manner | 3.2.1 Review processes for integrated strategic planning and establishing budget priorities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Prepare a realistic assessment on the alignment of current strategic planning processes with budget priorities ★ Prepare budget for implementation of Strategic Action Plan and a narrative for the budget request ★ Distribute the budget as per priorities to implement the Strategic Plan ★ Provide technical assistance for budgetary preparation and narrative | PR 1 | SPIC+ BLDP PRLM (2 nd Quarter) | Strategic planning linked to budget priorities |
| | 3.2.2 Enhance capacity of court personnel to administer the court budget | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Provide technical assistance to review and revise the budget database program and guidelines ★ Deliver training for budget database guidelines to USC and HCs | PR 1 | BLDP+ HCs+ PRLM (2 nd Quarter) | Development of budget narrative and number of trainings |

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|--|--|--|----------|---|-------------------|
| Strategic Objective 3.3 Enhance effective administrative capacities for the Judiciary | 3.3.2 Develop and implement Automated Case Management System (ACMS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Provide technical assistance to develop a plan linking and integrating between ACMS and other automated systems at USC ★ Upgrade CMS and CIS ★ Link between CMS and CIS at the USC ★ Continue development of a User-friendly System at all courts to input basic case information that will eventually be relevant to all trial courts ★ Initiate a software system at the USC that can generate different types of reports based on the needs of the various USC departments ★ Provide CIS administrators and users training at Supreme Court and Courts in Mandalay region ★ Initiate a system for data collection from courts at different levels | PR 1 | IT&PRDP+ CrJDP+ CJD+ WDP+ All Courts+ PRLM (2 nd Quarter) UNDP(1 st and 2 nd Quarter) | Timely Completion |

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| Strategic Objective 3.3 Enhance effective administrative capacities for the Judiciary | 3.3.3 Continue trainings for court personnel on administrative and IT capacity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Revise Syllabus, Curriculum and Timetable on computer and technology to be modernized, and conduct trainings accordingly for court personnel at USC, HCs, DCs and TCs ★ Provide training on ACMS software to ACMS manager and help-desk personnel | PR 1 | USC All Depts.+ All Courts PRLM (2 nd Quarter) | Number of trained |
| | 3.3.4 Develop staffing guidelines for efficient allocation of human resources | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Prepare to appoint the judicial officers at the Courts in accordance with the status and formation of courts ★ Prepare to appoint the court staffs proportionate to the workload | PR 2 | ADP+ HCs (IPs) | Number of appointed |

Strategic Action Area 4: Promote and Ensure the Professionalism, Accountability and Integrity of the Judiciary

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|--|--|----------|--|---|
| Strategic Objective 4.1 Promote the ethical and professional advancement of judges and court staff | 4.1.1 Support the ethical advancement of judges and court staff | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ongoing technical support on the finalization and implementation of the commentary to the Code of Ethics ❖ Conduct refresher ToTs for USC trainers and pilot training sessions, provide technical support by international experts and develop materials and teaching aids ❖ Deliver and monitor training workshops on judicial ethics and accountability to judges at regional levels, plan and manage logistics for training program ❖ Conduct seminar at OUSC with State/ Regional ToTs to share experiences, identify lessons learned and plan for additional roll out trainings ❖ Write papers on training of judicial ethics for Judges ❖ Conduct 2×2 day training workshops on arbitration ❖ Give awareness on complaint mechanism for judges and court personnel | PR 1 | JEIC+ ADP+ TDP+ CRC+ CrJDP+ CJDP DP (Ongoing) DP (1 st Quarter) DP (Ongoing) DP (2 nd /3 rd Quarter) DP (Ongoing) DP (3 rd Quarter) UNODC(2 nd /3 rd Quarter) | Timely completion and number of trained |

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Strategic Action Area 4: Promote and Ensure the Professionalism, Accountability and Integrity of the Judiciary

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|---|--|----------|---|-------------------|
| Strategic Objective 4.1 Promote the ethical and professional advancement of judges and court staff | 4.1.2 Support the professional advancement of judges and court staff | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Organize study tours to the United States of America on professional advancement of judges ❖ Provide technical assistance to develop the professional standards and guidelines ❖ Support to draft professional standards and guidelines for judges and court staff ❖ Conduct workshops and trainings for professional standards and guidelines for judges and court staff | PR 1 | TDP+ADP+ PDWG PRLM (2 nd / 3 rd Quart.) PRLM (1 st Quart.) PRLM (3 rd Quart/) PRLM (3 rd Quart.) | Timely completion |

Strategic Action Area 4: Promote and Ensure the Professionalism, Accountability and Integrity of the Judiciary

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|---|---|----------|---|---|
| Strategic Objective 4.2 Continue strengthening judicial and professional skills and abilities of court personnel | 4.2.1 Improve legal research capacity including upgrading judicial libraries | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Establish a research center at USC ❖ Continue to provide the Research Team by the Advisor to mentor, coach and review of written outputs ❖ Hold 2×2 day research training meetings for the Research Team that skill up teams on key areas of applied legal research ❖ Design and implement the research component field by the Research Team and support the Team by the national consultant ❖ Provide intensive 3×3 day writing sessions to the Research Team to draft research outputs ❖ Support the development of an online system to collect and analyze data of particular cases, and enable full sustainability of the database system ❖ Assess initial usage of Lexis-Nexis and explore expanding access to relevant online journals and database ❖ Upgrade the legal resource capacity by providing access to online database ❖ Develop e-library action plan and system for USC | PR 1 | IR&RDP+ IT&PRDP+ DP (Ongoing) DP (1 st / 3 rd Quarter) DP (1 st / 2 nd Quarter) DP (Ongoing) DP (Ongoing) DP (Ongoing) | Number of research works and improvement of libraries |

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Strategic Action Area 4: Promote and Ensure the Professionalism, Accountability and Integrity of the Judiciary

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|--|--|----------|---|---|
| Strategic Objective 4.2 Continue strengthening judicial and professional skills and abilities of court personnel | 4.2.2 Conduct data collection and analysis to support improving judicial performance and accountability | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Collect and analyze data related to caseload and resources of the courts ❖ Continue to develop the list of justice for children indicators, and support the courts in analyzing how the data can be collected ❖ Collaborate with USC and other development partners such as UNDP, PRLM and other agencies in order to ensure that CMS enables for entry and analysis of child-related information. | PR 1 | IR&RDP+ IT&PRDP+ CART+ UNICEF-WG UNICEF | Number of reports |
| | 4.2.3 Provide specific training to enhance judicial and professional skills for judges | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Conduct regular training for judges ❖ Conduct trainings for judges in regard to handling new types of evidence ❖ Draft textbooks and regulations for IP Laws and conduct IP workshops ❖ Provide trainings for judges using the text books and other materials after being completed by working groups; such as, IP rights, business-related matters | PR 1 | TDP+ CrJDP+ CJDP+ HCs+ WG III JICA | Number of trainings, Participants' evaluation and Timely completion |

Strategic Action Area 4: Promote and Ensure the Professionalism, Accountability and Integrity of the Judiciary

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|---|---|----------|---|---|
| Strategic Objective 4.2 Continue strengthening judicial and professional skills and abilities of court personnel | 4.2.3 Provide specific training to enhance judicial and professional skills for judges | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Provide trainings for judges about Court-led mediation after completed by working group ❖ Consult to prepare training curriculum and to provide TOT trainings (if necessary) for IP, Commercial and Mediation Matters ❖ Conduct study tour to Japan to enhance judicial and professional skills based on topics ❖ Continue to support the trainings for the Judges from USC and HCs in order to enhance the judicial and professional skills ❖ Train the co-trainers from USC to perform the future training matters in efficiency ❖ Conduct group discussions about judicial training and take advice from participants ❖ Collaborate with the training department to lead knowledge sharing workshops with the Federal Court of Australia on continuing professional education practices for judges and court personnel ❖ Organize one or two data analyzation and utilization workshops to produce credible court annual report | PR 1 | JICA UNDP (3 rd /4 th Quarter) | Number of trainings, Participants' evaluation and Timely completion |

Strategic Action Area 4: Promote and Ensure the Professionalism, Accountability and Integrity of the Judiciary

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|---|---|----------|---|---|
| Strategic Objective 4.2 Continue strengthening judicial and professional skills and abilities of court personnel | 4.2.3 Provide specific training to enhance judicial and professional skills for judges | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Finalize the training manual on the subject of child victims and witnesses ❖ Develop a roll-out plan to deliver trainings using its training mechanisms and relying on the resources of trained master trainers ❖ Draft training materials related to children in conflict with the law and continue training of trainers and judges ❖ Prepare a textbook on the Myanmar Companies Law and Insolvency Law, and conduct training ❖ Participate National Strategic Plan for money laundering and monetary support for terrorism ❖ Training on money laundering and financial crimes ❖ Training on environmental crimes and corruption ❖ Draft training materials related to violence against women and girls, and train judges and court staff ❖ Train the Judges on Judicial, Legal and Administrative matters in collaborating with Singapore Ministry of Law | PR.1 | UNICEF ADB UNODC (3 rd Quarter) Min-Law | Number of trainings and participants , evaluation |

Strategic Action Area 4: Promote and Ensure the Professionalism, Accountability and Integrity of the Judiciary

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|---|---|----------|---|---|
| Strategic Objective 4.2 Continue strengthening judicial and professional skills and abilities of court personnel | 4.2.4 Continue training court staff to enhance efficiency and public satisfaction | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Provide technical guidance for the review and revision of the existing training curriculum for court staff ❖ Provide training on ethical and disciplinary guidelines | PR 1 | TDP+CrJDP+ CJDP+ ADP+ JICA PRLM (1 st Quarter) | Timely completion and number of trainings |
| | 4.2.5 Enhance the quality of judicial education | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Put the developed professional areas (e.g. CMP, IT, Mediation etc.) into the curriculum of the Judicial Training School, and teach the trainees ❖ Develop the curriculum of the Judicial Training School systematically and consistently ❖ Train the court staff to improve their professional skill and capacity | PR 2 | TDP+ HCs (IPs) | Number of trainings |

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Strategic Action Area 4: Promote and Ensure the Professionalism, Accountability and Integrity of the Judiciary

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|--|---|----------|---|--|
| Strategic Objective 4.3 Ensure the safety and security of the courts | 4.3.1 Assess the current situation regarding court safety and security and provide recommendations | ❖ Evaluate the current situation regarding safety and security | PR 1 | IR&RDP+ ADP+ BLDP (IPs) | Timely completion |
| | 4.3.2 Improve safety and security for courts | ❖ Engage with stakeholders of justice sector to consider improvement of safety and security for courts ❖ Organize roundtable session among justice sector institutions concerning about court security issue ❖ Deliver the comparative paper on safety and security for court | PR 1 | USC+ HCs+ Justice Sector Stakeholders PRLM (2 nd Quarter) PRLM (3rd Quarter) | Steps taken + Number of discussions + Delivery of papers |
| | 4.3.3 Provide adequate staff housing | ❖ Build new housing for judges and staff in Regions and States | PR 1 | BLDP+ HCs (IPs) | Number of units provided |
| Strategic Objective 4.4 Establish new judicial training facility | 4.4.1 Develop a long range plan for design, financing and construction | ❖ Assist in the development of the strategic planning for the Judicial Training Institute | PR 2 | TDP+ BLDP+ PRLM (1 st /2 nd Quarter) | Implementation of JTI |

Strategic Action Area 5: Promote Efficient Case Management and Court Specialization

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|--|---|--|----------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Strategic Objective 5.1 Implement a national Case Management Program (CMP) for courts | 5.1.1. Develop a three year phased approach to implement the designed national CMP for courts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♣ Implement National CMP at the courts nationwide in time ♣ Continue to support the implementation of CMP courts, including the review and development of effective data collection ♣ Supervise the NCMP Courts understand and follow the Case Management Procedures ♣ Assist in the planning of ongoing CMP training for judges and court staff ♣ Provide technical and financial assistance for the development of the implementation plan to expand ACMS as a necessary component of the CMP ♣ Communicate case management concepts to public and key stakeholders in location of courts specified under CMP | PR 1 | SPIC+ CMC+ LPDP+ TDP+ IT&PRDP+ All Courts PRLM (1 st Quarter onward) | Completion of NCMP implementation |
| | 5.1.2 Develop training program on CMP for judges and court staff | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♣ Provide necessary trainings for judges and court staff ♣ Select and train the new NCMP Trainers and regional coordinators | PR 1 | CMC+ TDP+ HCs PRLM | Completion of NCMP implementation |

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Strategic Action Area 5: Promote Efficient Case Management and Court Specialization

| Strategic Objectives | Strategic Initiatives | Actions | Priority | Responsible Persons | Outcome Measures |
|---|--|---|----------|--|---|
| Strategic Objective 5.2 Establish areas for court specialization | 5.2.1 Specify and implement court specialization areas | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♣ Evaluate practical approaches and models of various court specializations; such as, intellectual properties and court-led mediation ♣ Provide technical assistance on the establishment of commercial courts | PR 1 | IR&RDP+ LPDP+ CrJDP+ CJDP JICA PRLM (3 rd Quarter) | Number of specified areas and level of implementation |
| Strategic Objective 5.3 Establish efficient and effective Court Dispute Resolution (CDR) systems | 5.3.1 Develop court-led mediation system in courts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♣ Implement and evaluate pilot program on court-led mediation ♣ Design court-led mediation for courts in Myanmar ♣ Deliver trainings for mediators ♣ Conduct workshops/ seminars to support implementation of court-led mediation ♣ Give public awareness on court-led mediation system | PR 1 | WG IV+ JICA | Level of implementation |

ABBREVIATIONS

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|----------|----------------------------------|
| ACMS | Automated Case Management System |
| ADB | Asian Development Bank |
| ADP | Administrative Department |
| AJP | ASEAN Judiciaries Portal |
| ASEAN Js | ASEAN Judiciaries |
| BLDP | Budget and Logistics Department |
| CACJ | Council of ASEAN Chief Justices |
| CART | Court Annual Reporting Team |
| CDR | Court Dispute Resolution |
| CIO | Court Information Officer |
| CIS | Case Information System |
| CJDP | Civil Justice Department |
| CrJDP | Criminal Justice Department |
| CMC | Case Management Committee |
| CMP | Case Management Program |
| CMS | Case Management System |
| CRC | Complaint Reviewing Committee |

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| CSOs | Civil Society Organizations |
| DCs | District Courts |
| DP | Denmark-Myanmar Programme on Rule of Law and Human Rights |
| DPWG | Working Group for coordination between Office of the Union Supreme Court and Denmark Embassy under the Denmark - Myanmar Programme |
| ECWG | Working Group for Ethics Code |
| FCA | Federal Court of Australia |
| HCs | High Courts |
| ICJ | International Commission of Jurists |
| IDEA | International Institute for Democracy and Electoral and Assistance |
| IDLO | International Development Law Organization |
| IJIs | International Judicial Institutions |
| ILDC | Insolvency Law Drafting Committee |
| ILWG | Working Group for Insolvency Law Drafting |
| IPs | International Partners |
| IR&RDP | International Relation and Research Department |

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ABBREVIATIONS

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| IT | Information Technology |
| IT & PRDP | Information Technology and Public Relations Department |
| JEIC | Judicial Ethics Implementation Committee |
| JERC | Judicial Ethics Review Committee |
| JICA | Japan International Cooperation Agency |
| LAWG | Legal Aid Process Implementation Working Group |
| LPDP | Law and Procedure Department |
| MJ | My Justice Program |
| Min Law | Ministry of Law, Singapore |
| OUSC | Office of the Union Supreme Court |
| PDWG | Working Group for Professional Development |
| PIO | Public Information Officer |
| PRLM | USAID Promoting the Rule of Law Myanmar |
| SPIC | Strategic Plan Implementation Committee |
| TCs | Township Courts |
| TDP | Training Department |
| ULAB | Union Legal Aid Board |

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| UNDP | United Nations Development Program |
| UNICEF | United Nations Children's Fund |
| UNICEFWG | Working Group for coordination between the Union Supreme Court and UNICEF (Myanmar) |
| UNODC | United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime |
| UNODCWG | Working Group for implementation under the coordination program between the Union Supreme Court and UNODC |
| USAID | United States Agency for International Development |
| USC | Supreme Court of the Union |
| WDP | Writs Department |
| WGs | Working Groups |
| WG I | Working Group of Capacity Development for Legislating Work |
| WG II | Working Group of Strengthening of Human Resource Development |
| WG III | Intellectual Property Working Group |
| WG IV | Court-led Mediation Working Group |
| WG V | Business and Commercial related Laws Working Group |