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## SUPPORTING THE GOVERNMENT OF MONGOLIA TO IMPROVE MIGRATION MANAGEMENT THROUGH POLICY AND TRAINING OF BORDER OFFICIALS

### PROJECT OVERVIEW

Mongolia is experiencing a surge in both internal and international migration. Such dramatic increases in migration have brought about an array of new challenges for the Government of Mongolia. Challenges include increase trends of unsafe migration, including human trafficking and smuggling of migrants, increased number of cases of fraudulent use of travel documents, non compliance with visa requirements and obligations and avoidance of border controls.

**Responding to direct requests for assistance from the Ministry of Justice of Mongolia and the newly established Immigration of Mongolia, this project offered a capacity-building approach to promote systemic changes to support the new structure of Immigration of Mongolia.** The ultimate goal of this project is to contribute to the overall enhancement of the immigration and border management system in Mongolia by establishing a rights-based approach to the management of internal mobility as well as international migration to and from Mongolia, including Mongolian returnees, labour migrants and victims of human trafficking.

Through technical assistance, namely training, workshops, policy seminars and border assessments, the project opened a dialogue and facilitated policy coherence and bilateral cooperation on key issues related to migration.

The project's key outcomes are:

1. Improved technical capacity of Immigration of Mongolia by the deployment of finger prints scanners and e-gate;
2. Improved organizational structure and knowledge of data management of Immigration of Mongolia officials;
3. Improved performance of Immigration officers in detecting forged and altered travel documents;
4. Increased knowledge of the Parliamentarians on human trafficking in Mongolia and how best address this challenge.



### PROJECT DURATION

November 2014 –April 2016

### PROJECT SUPPORT

The project was supported by the IOM Development Fund.

### PROJECT PARTNERS

The Ministry of Justice of Mongolia and Immigration of Mongolia.

### BUDGET

200,000 USD



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## KEY PROJECT ACHIEVEMENTS

The project was implemented in close cooperation with the Immigration of Mongolia and the Ministry of Justice. It provided an ideal platform for collaboration and partnerships with the Government of Mongolia.

Key achievements include:

- An **assessment of the border management information system – e-gate and fingerprint readers** was conducted in coordination with Immigration of Mongolia and the Asian Development Bank.
- The report on **“Co-ordinated Border Management – Linking Immigration and Customs to improve trade facilitation between the People Republic of China and Mongolia”** was finalized, coordinated and distributed to Immigration of Mongolia officials at two border points.
- Two policy oriented workshops on **“Organizational Structure and Risk Data Management – international experiences and lessons learned”**; and **“Organizational data management and enhanced procedures”** were held in Ulaanbaatar, targeting senior government department officials.
- Two training on **“Fraudulent Document Examination and Security Features of Travel Documents”** were conducted in Ulaanbaatar and Altanbulag. Fifty Immigration of Mongolia officials attended the training.
- A policy seminar titled **“Trafficking in Human Beings for Mongolian Parliamentarians, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO) and Immigration of Mongolia/MOJ officials”**, was held by IOM in collaboration with the Mongolian National Security Council in Ulaanbaatar. 66 representatives from key government ministries, the Parliament of Mongolia, UN agencies, embassy representatives and international and Mongolian NGOs attended the event.
- An additional assessment and three additional **training on fraud documentation and installation of fraudulent document detection equipment** in Ulaanbaatar, Zamiin Udd and

*“Events like these act as a catalyst for change”*

Member of National Security Council at the Policy Seminar on “Countering Human Trafficking,” October 2015

Altanbulag were conducted in January 2016. A total of 307 Immigration of Mongolia staff attended the training.

- **“Verifier TD&B”, fraudulent document detection equipment, was installed at two border points**, and training was provide to Immigration of Mongolia officials with the support of two experts from the IOM Regional Office in Bangkok, Thailand.

The joint capacity building approach aimed at contributing to the **sustainability** of project outcomes by ensuring at all stage close coordination with relevant governmental counterparts and activities implemented in full synergy with Government’s agenda on enhancing Immigration and Border Management in Mongolia.

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