

Universal Service Fund

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Why USF?

- 4 Billions unconnected
- 70% are from 20 countries Rural
- Myanmar 70% in rural

Current Status

- MoTC strategy writeup
- World bank a Pilot project
- A4AI USF working group

Universal Policy Drafting

- Review of current policy of government
- Review of policy of other line ministries Eg. MoE, MoBorder, Mol
- Stakeholder consultation
- Draft consultative paper on universal access policy
- Publish universal access policy

Timeline : Q3 2016

Recommendations on Policy Framework and USF Establishment

- Policy reviews and preparation of case studies
- Stakeholder mapping
- Public consultation
- Publish recommendations

Timeline : Q3 2016

Recommendations on USF Governing Board and Administrative Body

- Identification of policy imperatives
- Recommendation of policy changes
- Capacity Building (workshops, trainings with experts)
- Advocacy workshops
- Publish recommendation for proper governing mechanism for the Fund

Timeline : Q3-Q4 2016

Best Practices

- High level of transparency and accountability, evaluation, unbiased
- Separation from government- can't be used as political agenda
- Needs to have SMART objectives
- Operators voices
- Strong and flexible framework and need to have independent fund structure

Thank you