CTCN Advisory Board Task Force call
Informal summary of inputs: CTCN Draft Programme of Work 2019-2022.
August 29, 2018

- The existing draft is a good starting point, reads well and is a good basis for a revised draft for consideration at AB12 in October. The challenge of being high-level and visionary while sufficiently detailed to be useful was widely acknowledged.
- The Theory of Change demonstrates the breadth of the CTCN's engagement and the need for it to clearly articulate those areas where the CTCN is best positioned to deliver impact from 2019-2022.
- Mention of assets at the disposal of CTCN and its co-hosts helps to communicate the potential of the organization and the importance of its actions to a wide audience.
- It was highlighted that any new areas of focus for the CTCN under the Technology Framework will need to be incorporated/addressed.

Suggestions to sharpen the focus of the second Programme of Work (PoW2):
- Highlighting lessons learned and linking to the Theory of Change will clarify existing weaknesses and demonstrate the changes the CTCN has and will continue to make to improve the effectiveness of its operations.
- This should be supplemented with clear responses to recommendations from Independent and DANIDA reviews (to be made available to the Board asap) to show how recommendations are being addressed.
- Lessons learned and responses to recommendations will bridge the achievements and challenges from CTCN experience under the first PoW to PoW2.
- Long-term outcomes/goals could be reworded to be more distinct from each other and demonstrate how the actions of the CTCN are contributing to their achievement. This will highlight priorities for the next four years. A clearer 'vision' would help in this regard.
- PoW2 will focus on 'what' the CTCN will achieve, the annual operating plans and associated budgets will address the 'how'.
- Importantly, the CTCN needs to demonstrate what it is doing differently in order to achieve greater success and operate more efficiently, delivering impacts that are transparently monitored and effectively communicated.

Areas for further improvement:
- Private Sector Engagement, Resource Mobilization and Monitoring and Evaluation require more detail as to actions to be undertaken, some of which can be annexed.
- Regional approach needs elaboration as to how it will support delivery of CTCN objectives.
- The work the CTCN undertakes to create enabling environments and steps it takes to do so need further emphasis.