FOREWARD

The International Labour Organization, established in 1919 has been at the forefront in developing instruments and guiding nations to evolve improved working practices as a means of mitigating workplace hazards and risks and promoting workers' safety, health and general welfare. The two landmark instruments that focus on Occupational Safety and Health (OSH), are International Labour Organization (ILO) Convention N° 187, (2006) on the Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health and Convention N° 155 on Occupational Safety and Health (1981).

As a Member of the International Labour Organization, Rwanda has developed the National Policy on Occupational Safety and Health to demonstrate its continued commitment and contribution to improving workplace conditions and workers' health and safety, enterprise performance and National Economic Development.

The National Policy on Occupational Safety and Health is a deliberate effort by the Government in conjunction with Employers and Workers Representatives (Trade Unions) to define a clear direction on the design, implementation and continuous improvement of occupational safety and health. This policy creates and provides a clear direction of the Government's mandate in OSH; greater understanding on how the Government will facilitate and promote OSH activities in Rwanda; and a basis on which enterprises and partners will develop and implement OSH programs.

This National Policy provides guidelines to cover areas that support the development and implementation of an effective OSH system that includes; aims and purpose of the policy, principles guiding actions on OSH, areas covered by OSH, types of actions and infrastructure, responsible authorities' commitments to OSH and functions and roles of main actors in OSH.

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Yours Sincerely,

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ACRONYMS AND ABREVIATIONS

CESTRAR:	Centrale des Syndicats des Travailleurs du Rwanda
COSYLI:	Confederation des Syndicats Libres
COTRAF:	Congrès du Travail et de la Fraternité
EWSA:	Energy Water and Sanitation Authority
ILO:	International Labour Organization
MIDIMAR:	Ministry of Disaster Management and Refugees
MIFOTRA:	Ministry of Public Service and Labour
MININFRA:	Ministry of Infrastructure
MINIRENA:	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
MINISANTE:	Ministry of Health
NISR:	National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda
OSH:	Occupational Safety and Health
PSCBS:	Public Sector Capacity Building Secretariat
PSF:	Private Sector Federation
RBS:	Rwanda Bureau of Standards
RDB:	Rwanda Development Board
RHA:	Rwanda Housing Authority
RNP:	Rwanda National Police
RNRA:	Rwanda Natural Resource Authority
RSSB:	Rwanda Social Security Board
GoR:	Government of Rwanda

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Since 1950, the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the World Health Organization (WHO) have shared a common definition of occupational health. It was adopted by the Joint ILO/WHO Committee on Occupational Health at its first session in 1950 and revised at its twelfth session in 1995. The definition reads:

Occupational health should aim at: the promotion and maintenance of the highest degree of physical, mental and social well-being of workers in all occupations; the prevention amongst workers of departures from health caused by their working conditions; the protection of workers in their employment from risks resulting from factors adverse to health; the placing and maintenance of the worker in an occupational environment adapted to his/her physiological and psychological capabilities; and, to summarize, the adaptation of work to man and of each man to his/her job.

The main focus in occupational health is on three different objectives: (i) the maintenance and promotion of workers' health and working capacity; (ii) the improvement of working environment and work to become conducive to safety and health and (iii) development of work organizations and working cultures in a direction which supports health and safety at work and in doing so also promotes a positive social climate and smooth operation and may enhance productivity of the undertakings. The concept of working culture is intended in this context to mean a reflection of the essential value systems adopted by the undertaking concerned. Such a culture is reflected in practice in the managerial systems, personnel policy, principles for participation, training policies and quality management of the undertaking."

Despite various efforts of the Government of Rwanda of assuring safe workplaces for workers through laws and different programs, the phenomenon of OSH persist and has been increasing considerably.

The Country Profile on OSH conducted by the Ministry of Public Service and Labour in 2012, reveals that the National OSH system presents gaps count taken on ILO C187 - Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187). It has revealed that the number of fatalities in the year 2012 is varying from six to seven times greater than their number in the year 2007. It pointed out that the number of injuries in the year 2012 is almost four times greater than their number in the year 2007 and an amount of 1,400,190,808 Rwf has been spent on Occupational hazards for six years (2003-2009/2010).

OSH Country Profile also revealed that existence of OSH Policy, existence of fire team, existence of first aid program, training on fire, maintenance of fire system were at a weak level in different organizations; though existence of sanitary convenience, existence of wash facility, accidents reporting externally and existence of fire extinguishers were at an improved level.

The same survey also pointed out that the highest level of awareness on OSH was in Government institutions, hospitality sector and the lowest level was in transport, mining sectors and NGOs; the highest level of existence of fire extinguishers was in Government institutions, hospitality sector and the lowest level was found in mining and quarrying sector; the highest level of training on fire was in health, hospitality, manufacturing sector and the lowest level was in agriculture, construction, mining, transport sectors, Government and NGOs institutions; the highest level on maintenance of fire system was found in manufacturing, hospitality, Government institutions and the lowest level was in NGOs, mining and agriculture sectors; the highest level of existence of first aid program was reported in health, hospitality, Government institutions; the highest level of accidents reporting internally was found in manufacturing sector and the lowest level was in agriculture and Government institutions; the highest level of accidents reported in manufacturing sector and the lowest level was in agriculture and Government institutions; the highest level of accidents reporting internally was found in manufacturing sector and the lowest level was in agriculture and Government institutions; the highest level of accidents reporting sector and the lowest level was in transport and agriculture sectors.

With regard to workers' exposure to Occupational hazards by economic sectors, the Country Profile revealed the following: mining and quarrying (34%); construction (18%); agriculture, hunting, fishing (13.8) and transport, warehousing and communication (13%).

Though OSH is still new in the Country and still facing the increment of Occupational hazards and injuries, there have been significant achievements by the Government of Rwanda in this regard. Different Legislations such as Ministerial order No. 01 of 17/05/2012 determining the modalities of establishing and functioning of Occupational Safety and Health committees and Ministerial order No. 02 of 17/05/2012 determining conditions for Occupational Safety and Health have been put in place. Rwanda has also developed OSH Country Profile in 2012 to come up with the general picture of OSH in the Country.

In order to provide a solution to OSH related problems, the Government is committed to have a tripartite National Policy on OSH which will be implemented by the following strategies:

- a) To strengthen the coordination and synergy among stakeholders;
- b) To harmonize laws and regulations, standards & guidelines on OSH;
- c) To improve OSH inspection;
- d) To introduce Preventive Workplace Culture;
- e) To maintain and enhance OSH competence;
- f) To establish and implement the integrated OSH information system.

Due to the fact that OSH is a cross cutting discipline, the Policy will be implemented by different centralized stakeholders such as National Labour Council, MINISANTE, MINIRENA, MINICOM, MINAGRI, MIDIMAR, MINIJUST; Public Agencies, Decentralized Entities,

Employers' Organizations (PSF), Trade Unions, Civil Society Organizations, International and National Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Undertaking/Enterprise Level, Self-employed person, Workers themselves and Partners in Development.

In as far as Financing mechanisms are concerned; all concerned Institutions will take the commitment to mainstream OSH issues in their programs. Hence, they will need to mobilize resources to implement their activities.

The allocation of resources will be made according to the specific activities set by each Institution and these Institutions will be accountable for the use of resources. Joint actions (Government and its partners) will be needed to advocate for resources.

—Joint ILO/WHO Committee on Occupational Health [3]

I.SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS

I.1. INTRODUCTION

For the first time an OSH Policy applying to all sectors of the economy has been articulated in Rwanda. The Policy proposes legislation to be enacted to create an integrated National OSH System in accordance with ILO C187 - Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187). This Policy applies to all Public and Private Sectors.

Occupational accidents and diseases impose an enormous cost to Rwanda and are among hindrances of development. With this regard, Rwanda has taken different measures to attacking these challenges. Rwanda is a Member of ILO since 1962 and has ratified a number of conventions in relation with OSH. Rwanda has also conducted a survey on OSH National Profile in 2012 to come up with an image of OSH in the Country.

ILO C187 - Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187) highlights the key elements that should constitute a National Occupational Safety and Health System.

The Country Profile on OSH conducted by the Ministry of Public Service and Labour in 2012 revealed that the number of occupational injuries increased numerically in last six years as follows: 35 (2007), 82 (2008), 93 (2009), 112 (2010), 118 (2011) and 138 (2012).

The number of occupational fatalities also kept on increasing: 41 (2007), 84 (2008), 114 (2009), 194 (2010), 264 (2011) and 263 (2012).

OSH Country Profile also revealed that the amount of money (Rwf) spent on Occupational Hazards in last seven years was 175,581,001 (2003), 182,985,999 (2004), 182,932,862 (2005), 162,567,520 (2006), 215,999,138 (2007), 232,185,746 (2008) and 247,938,542 (2009-2010).

The same survey revealed workers' exposure to Occupational Hazards by economic sectors as follows: Mining and Quarrying with 34%; Construction with 18%; Agriculture, Hunting, Fishing with 13.8% and Transport, Warehousing and Communication with 13%.

OSH Country Profile also revealed that among OSH preventive measures, the existence of sanitary convenience was at highest level with 94.3% and existence of OSH Policy was at the lowest level with 3.8% in the Organizations.

For Occupational hazards, OSH Country Profile revealed that ergonomic lighting, ergonomic ventilation, physical thermal and chemical petrochemicals were very low and ergonomic length of work hours was moderate in the Organizations.

OSH Country Profile also revealed that the highest level of awareness on OSH was in Government Institutions with 18.9% and the lowest level was in Transport sector with 0%; the highest level of existence of fire extinguishers was in Government Institutions with 18.9% and the lowest level was in Mining and Quarrying sector with 0%; the highest level of training on fire was in Manufacturing sector with 9.77% and the lowest level was in Mining, Construction, Transport and Agriculture sectors with 0%.

The same survey also revealed that the highest level of maintenance of fire system was in Manufacturing sector with 9.77% and the lowest level was in Mining, Agriculture and NGOs with 0%; the highest level of accidents recording was in Government Institutions with 18.9% and the lowest level was in Transport sector with 1.50%; the highest level of accidents reporting internally was in Manufacturing with 15.03% and the lowest level was in NGOs with 0%; the highest level of accidents reporting externally was in Government Institutions with 18.9% and the lowest level of accidents reporting externally was in Government Institutions with 18.9% and the lowest level of accidents reporting externally was in Government Institutions with 18.9% and the lowest level was in Transport sector and NGOs with 0%.

There have been considerable efforts to promote OSH in Rwanda. Such efforts include putting in place laws regulating OSH in Rwanda, Labour inspectors in Districts doing inspections in enterprises on OSH, annual trainings on awareness of OSH in different enterprises, putting in place the different National Policies and Strategic Plans on social security and Health to address OSH issues.

However, despite such efforts, OSH challenges still remain due to multiple reasons including; low Institutional capacity for OSH Policy implementation; comprehensive regulations for most hazardous sectors in OSH, limited human resources capacity on OSH; inadequate capacity for OSH inspection and enforcement; lack of updated and disaggregated data on OSH; lack of preventive culture among Institutions; accident reporting, recording, and investigating issues; inadequate mechanisms for OSH activities coordination, etc.

Therefore, to address these challenges, the Government has committed to continuing put in place Policy mechanisms with strategies aiming at promotion of OSH at workplace.

I.2. MAJOR OSH CHALLENGES IN RWANDA

The Rwanda Country profile on OSH (2012) and the information gathered from different Stakeholders revealed that the major challenges on OSH include the following:

a) The rate of work-related accidents, diseases and fatalities is high, imposing a huge cost on Rwanda and its people;

- b) Lack of appropriate Institutional arrangements to minimize overlaps, gaps and duplication;
- c) Lack of enough funding mechanisms for prevention agencies;
- d) Lack of Occupational Safety and Health services;
- e) Servicing SMMEs and the informal sector and protecting workers in marginal employment and vulnerable workers is still a big challenge;
- f) Very limited OSH skills and human resources in the Public and Private Sectors;
- g) Low level of culture of prevention among employers and workers;
- h) Lack of research centers and capacity; and finally;
- i) Lack of a comprehensive reporting system and database for work-related accidents and disease.

I.3. BENEFITS OF OSH POLICY

An integrated OSH Policy is essential for developing a stable and productive work environment. Since 2009, the laws regulating labour in Rwanda have been revised to promote healthier labour relations, appropriate working conditions, equity in the workplace and improved skills. Improved working conditions are necessary to ensure higher labour productivity, better quality work, healthier labour relations and compliance with quality standards.

The economic gains associated with OSH improvements include:

- a) Increased productivity and worker morale;
- b) Reduction of working time lost due to injury and disease;
- c) Reduced equipment down-time, reduced damage to materials and machinery, and savings in the costs of recruiting and training replacement employees;
- d) Reduction in transaction costs such as insurance costs and legal fees.

I.4. RATIONALE FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) is a global concern that seeks to improve the welfare of workers through the transformation of work place environment to make it safe and Healthy to work in. OSH seeks to configure workplace processes and procedures so that workers' interaction with the work environment and equipment achieve standards that guarantee optimum Safety and Health.

The National Policy for Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) should therefore be a key tool, complimenting poverty reduction and other National development programmes. Here is the strong rationale for Rwanda to address OSH issues:

Rwanda's human population is a source of National capital and development that need to be protected from Occupational hazards in order to be useful in future, make better employee motivation, attract investors, and increase productivity and Organizational profitability. Efficient hygiene and industrial Safety measures geared towards reducing industrial accidents and other risks are paramount.

Rwanda's Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) concerns mirror International trends that seek to improve Safety and Health in the work environment as defined by ILO. Rwanda has therefore aligned its OSH response to ILO Convention 187 (2006) on the Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health and Convention 155 on Occupational Safety and Health and the working environment (1981).

Adequate OSH Policy and standards are required for Rwanda's continued integration into the World's economy. International investors who subscribe to World-class OSH standards are reluctant to invest in markets in which local firms are able to compete unfairly through reduced OSH standards. Increasingly, Rwanda exporters – particularly those who export to developed economies will be required to comply with International quality management standards. These standards require World-class performance in areas such as OSH, environmental protection and product Safety.

I.5. NATIONAL POLICY FRAMEWORK

The National Policy on Occupational Safety and Health is supported by a larger Policy framework creating conducive working environment and National Economic Development. Key components of this framework include the Vision 2020, the Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (EDPRS), and other sector policies related to Employment, Social Security and Health.

I.5.1. Vision 2020

The Vision 2020 is a reflection of the aspiration and determination of the Government aiming at transforming the Country into middle -income Nation in which Rwandans are Healthier, educated and generally more prosperous. Rwanda considers its population as its fundamental resource and banks on it for its future development. Rwanda targets to continuously increase life expectancy of its people. For Rwanda's development the emergence of a viable Private sector that can take over as the principle growth engine of the economy, is absolutely key. To achieve

these improvements, envisaged and current population policies should go hand in hand with strategies to overcome problems in the Health Private sectors. Therefore, all these combined efforts will help for the promotion of Occupational Safety and Health which will greatly contribute to these achievements.

I.5.2. Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (EDPRS)

Rwanda's Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (EDPRS) provides a medium term framework for achieving the Country's long term development aspirations as embodied in Rwanda Vision 2020, the Seven Year Government of Rwanda (GoR) programme, and the Millennium Development Goals.

With regard to social-economic sector, EDPRS has four priorities: increase economic growth, slow down population growth, tackle extreme poverty and ensure greater efficiency in poverty reduction. To achieve this, Rwanda is looking for different strategies such as promoting skills development and the Service Sector; mainstreaming Private Sector development and modernizing Agriculture by introducing improved land administration; improving Health care services; among others. Therefore, it is evident that all these strategies will greatly promote Occupational Safety and Health in the Country.

I.5.3. Government Program for 2010-2017

The Government has adopted a Seven (7) year Development Programme which outlines the broad GoR priorities organized in four pillars: Good Governance, Justice, Economy and Social well-being. With regard to social well-being, the Government aims at developing skilled, knowledgeable, Healthy and wealthy citizens; an objective that will be achieved through different measures including promoting job creation, improving Health care services, extending social security, protecting vulnerable people, promoting sports and leisure, improving education and promoting Rwanda cultural values in support of development. All these are contributing and will continue contributing to the promotion of Occupational Safety and Health in Rwanda.

I.5.4. Other Sectoral Policies

The Occupational Safety and Health is a cross-cutting issue for National economic and social development. The National Policy on Occupational Safety and Health is not a standalone initiative. It builds on existing Policy frameworks, including, the Health Sector Policy (2005), the Policy governing the Standards of Health Services in Rwanda (2009), the National Policy for Community Health (2008), the National Policy to Fight against HIV/ AIDS (2005), the National Policy on Condoms (2005), the National Nutrition Policy (2005), the Policy on Community-based Health Insurance (2004), the National Policy on Reproductive Health (2003), Health Policy determining conditions for school hygiene (2008), the Policy on Water and Sanitation

(2004), the National Mining Policy (2004), the National Urban Housing Policy (2008), the National Human Settlement Policy (2009), Rwanda National Construction Industry Policy (2009); the Employment Policy (2007), the National Social Security Policy (2009), the National Social Protection Policy (2004), and others. It is evident that these various policies have greatly contributed to the promotion of Health at large and Occupational Safety and Health in particular.

I.6. NATIONAL LEGAL FRAMEWORK

In addition to the aforementioned Policy context, the Government of Rwanda has put in place National legislation promoting Occupational Safety and Health at workplace. These include:

- a) Rwandan Constitution of 2003 as amended to date which in its article 49 determines that every citizen is entitled to a Healthy and satisfying OSH;
- b) Law no 13/2009 of 27/05/2009 regulating Labour in Rwanda, in its articles 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, and 96, on Health and Safety at Workplace;
- c) Law 86/2013 0f 11/09/2013 establishing the General Statutes for Public Service in its articles 64, 65, 66, 67, 69,70 and especially article 68, provides for Health and Safety at Workplace;
- d) Decree law of 22nd August on the Organization of social security as modified and complemented by law no. 06/2003 of 22/03/2003 especially in its articles 13, 14, and 20;
- e) Law n° 37 /2008 of 11/08/2008 on Mining and Quarry exploitation;
- f) Law n° 47/2012 of 14/01/2013 relating to regulation and inspection of food and pharmaceutical products;
- g) Law n°24/2012 of 15/06/2012 relating to planning of land use and development in Rwanda;
- h) Organic Law N° 01/2012/OL of 02/05/2012 instituting the penal code;
- i) Ordinance n° 41/291 of September 1955 on Exploitation of Hotels, Restaurants, Guest houses and Bars;
- j) Prime Minister's Order no. 125/03 of 25/10/2010 determining the Mission, Organization and functioning of the National Labour Council especially in its article 3;
- k) Ministerial Order no. 07 of 13/07/2010 determining the modalities of the functioning of the Labour Inspector especially in its articles 3 and 7;
- 1) Ministerial Order no. 02 of 17/05/2012 determining conditions for Occupational Safety and Health;

- m) Ministerial Order no. 01 of 17/05/2012 determining the modalities of establishing and functioning of Occupational Safety and Health Committees especially in its articles 3, 10, 11, 12 and 13;
- n) Rwanda Building Control Regulations, May 2012;
- o) Basic housing Construction instructions for protection against natural and manmade disasters in rural areas, October, 2012.

I.7. REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT

I.7.1. Millennium Development Goals

The GoR has expressed its commitment to achieving the Millennium Development Goals. Rwanda has already achieved certain of the MDGs, such as Gender Equality in Primary School enrolment and reducing HIV prevalence, while the Country is on track to attaining several other MDG targets, such as preventing the rise of malaria incidence among others. To eradicate extreme poverty and hunger, Rwanda has put in place different strategies including integrate and extend social protection, raise the contribution of Manufacturing and services to economic development for sustainable growth, improve Health status, among others. The promotion of Occupational Safety and Health will play a great role to support all of these initiatives.

I.7.2. Regional and International Conventions

Rwanda has ratified several regional and International conventions related to Occupational Safety and Health. These include:

- ILO Convention n°12 on Workmen's Compensation (Agriculture), 1921 ;
- ILO Convention n°17 on Workmen's Compensation (Accidents), 1925;
- ILO Convention n°18 on Workmen's Compensation (Occupational Diseases), 1925;
- ILO Convention n°19 on Equality of Treatment (Accident Compensation), 1925;
- ILO Convention n°42 on Workmen's Compensation (Occupational Diseases) (Revised), 1934;
- ILO Convention n°62 on Safety Provisions (Building), 1937;
- ILO Convention n° 118 on Equality of Treatment (Social Security), 1962; and
- ILO Convention n° 81 on Labour Inspection, 1947.

I.8. STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES, OPPORTUNITIES AND THREATS (SWOT)

The following Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) were identified within the National OSH system:

(a) **Strengths**

- The political will of the Leadership of the Country;
- A competent authority in charge of OSH;
- OSH Regulations;
- National Tripartite Advisory Body : The National Labour Council (Representative of employers Organizations, workers Union and Government);
- Existence of some level of Cooperation mechanisms at the level of the enterprise for some enterprises;
- Some elements of Education and Training on OSH;
- Decentralized structures up to village level that facilitate the mobilization, sensitization, monitoring and law enforcement;
- Willing of OSH Partners; and
- Some level of OSH Competencies (OSH professionals)

(b) Weaknesses

- Low Institutional capacity for OSH Policy implementation;
- Lack of Regulations for most hazardous sectors in OSH
- Limited human resources capacity on OSH;
- Limited resources for OSH Policy and strategy implementation;
- Inadequate capacity for OSH inspection and enforcement;
- Lack of updated and disaggregated data on OSH;
- Lack of clear mechanisms for ensuring compliance and inspection;
- Low level of preventive culture among Institutions;

- Inadequate mechanism for collecting, analyzing and reporting and disseminating OSH data and information;
- Accident reporting, recording, and investigating; and
- Inadequate mechanisms for OSH activities coordination.

(c) **Opportunities**

- Goodwill of the Country Leadership in reducing risks and accidents at workplace;
- Peace and stability to implement Government policies;
- General appreciation and awareness of significance of OSH;
- The goodwill of social and development partners to inculcate OSH culture, programs and activities;
- Availability of successful International, Regional, and Local OSH initiatives to learn from;
- A need to ratify of ILO conventions especially C155 Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155) and C187 Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187)

(d) Threats

- Increasing number of injuries and diseases in the Country;
- Increasing number of fatalities;
- Poverty;
- Increase of compensations that is being spent on Occupational hazards;
- Lack of enough and qualified personnel to implement OSH matters.

II. OSH NATIONAL POLICY

II.1. Vision

The vision of the National Policy on Occupational Safety and Health is to have a safe and Healthy workplace for everyone; and a Country where best practices in Occupational Safety and Health are part of daily activities.

II.2. Mission

The mission of the National Policy on Occupational Safety and Health is to provide an enabling environment for the protection and progressive prevention of occupational death, injury and ill-Health.

II.3. Definitions of the key concepts

Under this Policy, the following terms shall have the meaning below:

- a) **Occupational Safety and Health"** is an area concerned with protecting the Safety, Health and welfare of people engaged in work or employment.
- b) **"Occupational Accident"** refers to work or any other related accident that occurs at the work place which may cause injury.
- c) **"Occupational injury"** means any personal injury, disease or death resulting from an Occupational accident.
- d) **"Occupational disease"** means any disease contracted as a result of an exposure to risk factors arising from work activity;
- e) **"Occupational fatality"** means a death that occurs while a person is at work or performing work related tasks.
- f) "Hazard" means any source of/ or exposure to danger.
- g) **"Risk"** means the probability that injury or damage will occur in relation to work and workplaces.
- h) **"Occupational Safety and Health Committee"** means a joint working team whose primary objective is to improve health and safety, as well as prevent occupational diseases and accidents.

II.4. Policy Objectives

- a) The primary objective of the National Policy on OSH is to reduce the number of work-related accidents and diseases in Rwanda. This requires the adoption and implementation of a culture of prevention by Government, employers and workers. The effective prevention of work-related accidents and ill-health will have enormous social and economic benefits. These include improvements in productivity and competitiveness and the quality of life of the working population;
- b) The secondary objective of the Policy is to provide equitable compensation benefits to those who may get injured in work-related accidents or contract Occupational diseases. These compensation benefits include medical aid, financial compensation and access to rehabilitation services. The compensation system, in particular the contributions paid by employers, must be sensitive to an employer's OHS performance so as to act as an incentive for improved performance.

II.5. Scope of OSH National Policy

The Policy will apply nationally in Public and Private sectors, Civil Societies and International Organizations in order to ensure consistent and coherent understanding of OSH practices. It will cover both Formal and Informal sectors. It guides OSH authorities who are duty-bound to oversee the implementation and full compliance of OSH laws, which are put into effect through the National administrative structure up to the enterprise level. In this regard therefore, the OSH Policy shall:

- a) Apply to all business enterprises and include workers, employers and Stakeholders in all occupations and sectors of the economy;
- b) Spell out the core rights and responsibilities of employers and workers in promoting OSH for a safer and Healthy work OSH;
- c) Promote and nurture a Safety culture where '*Safety is the responsibility of all*' in the workplace;
- d) Oblige employers to ensure that the workplaces, machinery, equipment and processes under their control are safe and no or minimum risk to the Health of workers shall be condoned; and
- e) Place the responsibility of cost of accidents, injury and diseases on employers, who must bear the cost of medical treatment, compensation and rehabilitation of affected workers.

II.6. Guiding Principles

The core principles informing the National Policy on Occupational Safety and Health are:

- a) *Universal coverage* OHS legislation must cover workers and employers in all sectors of the economy and in all forms of employment relationships;
- b) *Universal application of core rights and duties* the core rights and duties of employers and workers in relation to OSH must be spelt out in legislation;
- c) *Prioritization of prevention and the promotion of a culture of prevention* all accidents and Health incidents are preventable;
- d) *Appropriate and fair compensation and rehabilitation benefits* the provision of meaningful, accessible and equitable compensation and rehabilitation to workers in all sectors of the economy and in all forms of employment relationships;
- e) *Application of the "polluter pays" principle* employers bears the cost of accidents and disease in their workplaces, including the cost of medical treatment, compensation and rehabilitation.

II.7. Occupational Safety and Health Policy Strategies

In light of the above mentioned overall objective, specific objectives and general principles, the Policy statements that should be given weight and strategic actions to be undertaken are as follows:

II.7.1. Co-ordination and alignment of Institutions' roles and activities strategies

Government's leadership role involves promoting a high level of workplace Health and Safety performance in Rwanda. The Government shall set expectations, provide information and support to workplaces, and ensure that regulatory standards are achieved. The Government shall continue to lead by example, through having excellent Health and Safety practices in its own workplaces.

An important part of this strategic objective is that Government Institutions will collaborate with one another and co-ordinate their intervention activities. They will also work effectively with employer and industry associations, Trade Unions, and other key Stakeholders. This will ensure that Government resources are used to best effect and help reduce compliance costs to business.

The co-ordination and alignment shall be implemented through the following actions:

1. Improve Institutional co-ordination for the management of hazardous substances and risks in workplaces;

- 2. Clarify and, where appropriate, realign the roles and responsibilities of central Government and districts with workplace Health and Safety responsibilities, and strengthen inter-Institutional relationships at both central and district levels;
- 3. Decentralizing OSH at District level;
- 4. Establish an entity in Public and Private sectors with a mandate to coordinate OSH in the Country;
- 5. Establishment of OSH National Steering Committee in Public and Private Sectors, Civil Societies and International Organizations encompassing both formal and informal sectors;
- 6. Improve cooperation among Government Ministries/Agencies, Private sector Federation and Trade Unions;
- 7. Increase joint planning by Government Institutions to ensure better co-ordination and alignment of work programs.

II.7.2. Harmonization of legislations and standards strategies

A legal framework is one of the pillars of a National OSH system for the realization of National OSH Policy. A Nationally consistent approach to OHS regulation is essential for employers and employees. Regulatory requirements must remain relevant, effective, clear and practicable and not unnecessarily prescriptive.

It is important that OSH legislation covers all workers in all economic activities and also clarifies the responsibilities of employers and the rights and duties of workers. Placing duties upon the designers, manufacturers, importers and suppliers of products and substances is another important aspect of modern OSH legislation. Such legislation should also ensure that there is necessary collaboration on OSH matters between employers and workers at the enterprise level.

The actions below shall be undertaken:

- 1. Studying and analyzing all OSH laws and regulations that are no longer in alignment;
- 2. Amendment to Law N° 13/2009 of 27/05/2009 regulating labour in Rwanda, other ministerial orders and regulations on OHS;
- Initiation of ratification of ILO conventions on OSH, that is, C155 Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155), C187 - Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187) and C161 - Occupational Health Services Convention, 1985 (No. 161);

- 4. Formulation of specific regulations/guidelines on OSH by involving related technical Institutions, giving priority to Industrial, Agriculture, Forestry, Energy, Transportation, Mining, Construction and service sectors;
- 5. Developing OSH National standards by involving related technical Institutions like Rwanda Standards Board (RSB);
- 6. Monitoring implementation of National standards and reviewing regulatory National Standards and codes.

II.7.3. OSH inspection strategies

Multiple approaches shall be required to overcome challenges related to ensuring compliance with OSH legislation. The Government is committed to increasing and improving compliance with OSH legislation, through OSH inspection as a basic requirement in the implementation of an OSH management system.

The following actions shall be undertaken:

- 1. Improving coordination among Public interdepartmental inspectors;
- 2. Developing responsibilities of OSH Inspectors;
- 3. Establishing OSH Inspectors at District level;
- 4. Developing prevention-oriented services advice backed up with sanctions;
- 5. Developing the use of professional procedures for targeted enterprises;
- 6. Publishing Annual Report on inspection results & analyses indicating the Level of compliance in the implementation of OSH;
- 7. Stocktaking of OSH inspectors, improving their quality & quantity at National and District levels inspectors' function as OSH inspectors, partners and tutors in companies.

II.7.4. Preventive strategies

A preventive workplace culture is a shared set of values, beliefs, attitudes, and ways of behaving that supports the prevention of harm to people at work.

Workplaces with preventive cultures have a strong management commitment to Health and Safety, effective Health and Safety management systems, involvement of workers and their unions, communications based on good faith, and a willingness to learn from past mistakes. Preventive cultures are ones where Health and Safety is integrated into everyday business practice. In context of preventive strategies, various actions shall be undertaken.

The following actions shall be undertaken under dissemination of information on OSH:

- 1. Organizing OSH Day every 28 April & filling it with activities aimed at disseminating and informing the general Public on OSH;
- 2. Encouraging all the media to contribute to OSH awareness;
- 3. Organization of trainings, workshops and conferences on OSH.

The following action shall be undertaken to increase recognition among business owners, directors and senior managers that Health and Safety benefits to their business:

- 1. Review the literature and conduct research into the business benefits of a preventive approach to workplace Health and Safety;
- 2. Develop and promote practical tools to help workplaces identify and quantify business benefits;
- 3. Strengthening the culture of conducting medical check-ups for workers;
- 4. Strengthening the culture of conducting OSH related risks assessment;
- 5. Communicate benefits of workplace Health and Safety to business owners, directors and senior managers through industry networks and business leaders;
- 6. Promote investments and Public Private Sector Partnership (PPP) in OSH and professional bodies;
- 7. Promote more extensive reporting of Health and Safety performance in Public documents (such as annual reports), to enable benchmarking and encourage best practices;
- 8. To raise awareness among Institutions' top managements to establish Safety and Health measures in order to protect their clients and visitors.

The following action shall be undertaken to increase the commitment and capability of managers to systematically and effectively manage workplace Health and Safety:

- 1. Provide practical guidance and tools to support a systematic and effective management of Health and Safety;
- 2. Build the capability of managers to manage effectively Health and Safety systems, particularly in small businesses and high-risk industries;
- 3. Raise managers' awareness about the benefits of workplace Health and Safety, and about employers' legal obligations to provide safe working environments;

- 4. Increase the reach and effectiveness of incentive programs;
- 5. Promote systematic and effective management of Health and Safety through industry accreditation programs and industry training programs;
- 6. Acknowledge Excellence in Health and Safety management through recognition schemes and awards.

The following actions shall be undertaken to ensure that workers participate effectively in processes for improving workplace Health and Safety:

- 1. Raise awareness about the benefits of employee participation, and also about employers' legal obligations to involve workers in workplace Health and Safety;
- 2. Provide practical guidance for workplaces on employee-participation systems and practices to support effective involvement of workers in Health and Safety matters;
- 3. Recognize the role that Health and Safety representatives play in productive workplaces, and provide them with support, resources, and practical tools;
- 4. Build the capability of Health and Safety representatives through training;
- 5. Promote and enforce legal requirements relating to employee-participation system.

The following actions shall be undertaken to ensure that OSH elements are integrated in Institutions to prevent OSH related injuries:

- 1. Mobilize institutions to develop and implement internal policies and OSH preventive programs;
- 2. Mobilize institutions to put in place fire extinguishers, fire teams, training on fire, maintenance system of fire prevention tools and first aid programs;
- 3. Increase workers' level of awareness on OSH;
- 4. Develop a culture and systems of accidents recording and reporting among institutions;
- 5. Increase knowledge and skills of workers on OSH through trainings, seminars and workshops.

The following actions shall be undertaken to protect informal sector workers:

- 1. To mobilize informal sector institutions to put in place a healthy and safe working environment;
- 2. To mobilize informal sector institutions to contribute social security insurances for their workers;

3. To mobilize informal sector Institutions to involve their workers in the promotion of Occupational Safety and Health.

II.7.5. Skills development and competence strategies

Investing in skills development will be required to ensure that ongoing capacity building programs meet current and emerging OSH issues. Skills and competence need to be developed in all workplaces and among all partners in OSH matters.

The following actions shall be undertaken to improve OSH competence standards & OSH skills development:

- 1. Improving the knowledge and skills of OSH personnel and practitioners;
- 2. Advocating for the integration of OSH in National Curriculum;
- 3. Integrating Health and Safety into vocational, professional and inspectorate training arrangements;
- 4. Promoting the integration of OHS competencies into management training, including small businesses;
- 5. Encouraging development of suitable OHS training resources;
- 6. Researching improved methods of OHS skills development;
- 7. Establishing research priorities, cooperative arrangements and network;
- 8. Exploring partnerships between areas concerned with Public and Occupational Health;
- 9. Improving communication with National and International OHS research bodies;
- 10. Developing Rwanda National Standards of Occupational Competence in OSH.

II.7.6. Integrated information system strategies

Regular reporting is vital in highlighting major sources of injury and disease and targeting prevention efforts. Comprehensive data also help identify benchmarks for assessing OHS performance.

Below are the proposed activities to be undertaken:

- 1. Develop integrated information system for more effective processes of sharing data and information between Government and Districts;
- 2. Extending Data coverage;
- 3. Establishment of OSH Committees at both formal and informal sectors;
- 4. Develop consistent definitions and measurement principles;
- 5. Extend systems to allow timely reporting and provision of information.

III.POLICY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

III.1. INTRODUCTION

Occupational Safety and Health Policy covers several sectors of activity. Its implementation involves all the Stakeholders in the social, political and economic life of the Country. It will require the establishment of an appropriate Institutional and legal framework and an adequate system for monitoring and evaluation of impact and outcomes of the objectives set out in the Policy. In addition, the actual implementation of the Policy will require mobilization of financial, human and material resources and, to become more effective, it will be carried out through a participatory and decentralized approach.

III.2. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIFFERENT OSH ACTORS

The implementation of OSH Policy will require a participatory approach. Therefore, the following are actions to be undertaken by OSH Actors:

III.2.1. Action at the National level/Central Government

The implementation of the National Policy on Occupational Safety and Health will be a concerted responsibility of Ministries and affiliated Institutions sharing the responsibility of reducing occupational risks and accidents. The following Institutions shall have specific responsibilities as below:

- a) The Ministry in charge of Labour will continue to coordinate and guide the implementation of programs and activities related to Occupational Safety and Health;
- b) The Ministry in charge of Health will ensure that OSH is taken into consideration in Health Laws and Policies and develop OSH regulations for Health Sector. It also has the responsibility of qualifying Occupational accidents, diseases and fatalities and raising awareness on OSH among Health sector workers and the population at large;
- c) The Ministry in charge of Natural Resources will ensure that OSH is integrated in Mining Laws and Policies and develop OSH regulations for Mining and Quarrying Sector. It will also raise awareness on OSH among Mining and Quarrying Sector workers;
- d) The Ministry in charge of Infrastructure has the responsibility of ensuring that OSH is mainstreamed into Laws and Policies governing Transport, Energy and Construction and develop OSH Regulations for Transport, Energy and Construction Sectors. It will also ensure awareness raising among Transport, Energy and Construction sector workers.

- e) The Ministry in charge of Industry and Trade will ensure that OSH is mainstreamed into Laws and Policies governing Industry and Trade and develop OSH regulations for Industry and Trade as well as Hospitality Sectors.
- f) The Ministry in charge of Agriculture will ensure that OSH is integrated into Laws and Policies governing Agriculture and develop OSH regulations for Agriculture sector. It will also have the responsibility of raising awareness on OSH among Agriculture Sector workers;
- g) The Ministry in charge of Disaster Management will ensure that OSH is taken into consideration Laws and Policies governing Disaster Management and develop OSH regulations for Disaster Management;
- h) The Ministry in charge of Justice will have a lead role in ensuring consistent application of OSH governing laws and promote development and application of protective and preventive legislations.
- i) The National Labour Council will continue to advocate and give advice on Occupational Safety and Health Legislations and Policies.

III.2.2. Public Agencies

- a) Rwanda Social Security Board will provide compensations in case of Occupational hazards; collecting OSH data in comprehensive forms which contain all necessary information; analyzing OSH data and communicate OSH situation to the Public;
- b) Rwanda Natural Resources Authority/Geology and Mines Department will play a role of the implementation of laws and policies on OSH among Mining and Quarrying sector, conducting OSH inspections, collecting OSH data and make analysis to show the situation of OSH in Mining and Quarrying sector;
- c) Rwanda Housing Authority will ensure the implementation of laws and policies in Construction sector related to OSH issues, conducting inspections on OSH for Construction Sector and collecting OSH data and making analysis to show the situation of OSH in Construction sector;
- d) Energy Water and Sanitation/EWS Ltd will be involved in implementation of laws and policies on OSH among Energy Water and Sanitation Sector, conducting inspections on OSH, collecting OSH data and making analysis to show the situation of OSH in Energy sector;

- e) Rwanda Standards Board will have the responsibility of developing standards on OSH;
- Rwanda National Police has the responsibilities of developing preparedness and response strategies for fire and Transport emergencies, awareness creation on OSH and collecting and analyzing OSH data for Transport and Fire sectors and provide the situation in these sectors;
- g) Rwanda Development Board will ensure that OSH is taken into consideration in prerequisites to obtain business permit, including OSH among guidelines of the Hospitality sector;
- h) Rwanda Education Board and The National Capacity Building Secretariat will play a role of providing trainings for OSH personnel.

III.2.3. Decentralized Structures/Local Government

Local Government structures (districts, sectors and cells) have the mandate to implement and coordinate Government policies and develop programs at their respective levels. Under decentralization context, the District Development Plans (DDPs) and District Performance Contracts (DPCs) are the main frameworks for planning, financing, and implementing service delivery.

Local Governments' development committees will be used to integrate OHS issues within local Government activities. For the implementation of the National Policy on OHS, the main role of local Governments will be to:

(a) Raise awareness on OHS;

- (b) Conduct inspections on OSH;
- (c) Carry out a situational analysis to find out OHS problems;
- (d) Participate in developing and implementing National policies on OHS;

(e) Strengthen existing district Organizations and set up Institutional coordination mechanisms; and

(f) Provide trainings on OSH among workers and create awareness on OHS in communities and workplaces.

III.2.4. Employers' Organizations (PSF)

Employers' Organizations shall keep playing an important role of awareness raising on OSH among employers and conducting inspections on OSH.

III.2.5. Trade Unions, Workers' and Professional Associations

Trade Unions and Professional Associations will participate in awareness creation, mainstreaming OHS into policies and programs of workers' groups, monitoring risks and accidents, and promoting enforcement of OHS laws and advocating for employees' rights on OSH.

III.2.6. Civil Society Organizations

Civil Society Organizations will have the responsibility of creating awareness on OSH among their members and the population at large.

III.2.7. International and National Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)

NGOs will have the responsibility of creating awareness on OSH among their workers and the population at large and will reinforce and compliment Government interventions through advocacy, resource mobilization and programs implementation.

III.2.8. Action at undertaking/Enterprise Level

The enterprise shall provide and maintain all equipment that is necessary to perform work and all systems according to which work must be done, in a condition that will not affect the Health and Safety of employees. Protective equipment shall be provided where it is required to mitigate risks and hazards.

To ensure that these duties are complied with, the employer must:

- a) Take measures to protect employee's Health and Safety against hazards that may result from the production, processing, use, handling, storage or Transportation of articles/substances i.e. anything that employees come into contact with at work;
- b) Ensure that contingency officers' are equipped with the first aid kit that would be accessible to all employees in case of emergency;
- c) Identify potential hazards which may be present while work is being done, a product is being produced, processed, used, stored or Transported;
- d) Provide precautionary measures and means to implement the measures that are necessary for any equipment, which is being used to protect employees against hazards. This must be done by providing the necessary information, instructions, training and supervision while keeping the extent of employee's competence in mind. i.e. a list of what employees may and may not do;

- e) Take steps to ensure that every employee within his/her employment complies with the requirements of this Policy, enforce the necessary control measures in the interest of Health and Safety;
- f) Ensure that each employee is trained and understands hazards associated with the work he / she is performing;
- g) Ensure that Occupational Safety and Health precautionary measures are implemented and maintained.

III.2.9. Self-employed person

- a) The employer shall conduct his/her undertaking in such a manner as to ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, that persons other than those in his/her employment who may be directly affected by his/her activities are not thereby exposed to hazards to their Health or Safety;
- b) Self-employed persons shall conduct his/her undertaking in such a manner as to ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, that he/she and other persons who may be directly affected by his/her activities are not thereby exposed to hazards to their Health or Safety.

III.2.10. Employees themselves

It is the duty of all employees to:

- a) Take care of their own Health and Safety, as well as that of other employees who may be affected by their actions or negligence at work;
- b) Give information to Labour Inspectors and OSH staff MIFOTRA;
- c) Wear prescribed Safety clothing or use prescribed Safety Equipment where necessary;
- d) Report unsafe or unhealthy conditions to the employer or labour inspector as soon as possible;
- e) Report as soon as practically possible an incident that may affect their Health or cause an injury, they shall report that incident to the employer and authorized person or the labour inspector/OSH experts as soon as possible;
- f) Carry out any lawful order given and comply with the health and safety rules and procedures laid down by the employer or by any other authorized person in the interest of Health and Safety;
- g) Execute good housekeeping in the workplace and ensure that there is no Health and Safety hazard due to bad housekeeping; and
- h) Make sure that there is a place for everything and everything is in its place.

III.2.11. Partners in Development

Close collaboration with partners in development will enhance Government interventions on OSH. The GoR will work with International Agencies so as to mobilize necessary technical and financial support.

III.3. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

With a view to ascertaining and evaluating the impact of actions carried out in the implementation of the Policy, a gradual Monitoring and Evaluation will be done. Policy statements and strategic actions will be adjusted as and when necessary to changes dictated by various circumstances that will occur in the future. Moreover, it is important to evaluate the effectiveness of the proposed strategies and the progress achieved in their implementation as resources become available and programs and/or projects for the promotion of OSH are implemented.

MIFOTRA will develop systems for Monitoring and evaluating the performance of the all concerned Institutions to ensure that all programs and activities set are being achieved successfully. There will be a need to set up an information system with adequate and up to date data. It will also be necessary to establish progress benchmarks for all the programs and activities and define properly annual objectives and plans. The capacities of Actors in the field of monitoring and evaluation will also be strengthened.

The production and publication of periodic reports on the state of OSH will facilitate the evaluation of progress made in the promotion and management of OSH and will inform the adoption of the necessary measures as and when necessary.

III.4. FINANCING MECHANISMS

The implementation of OSH Policy needs a mult-sectoral approach and the integration of OSH issues in the programs of all Actors. Therefore, the financial implications for the implementation of OSH Policy will be shared by all Actors who have responsibilities.

All concerned Institutions will take the commitment to mainstream OSH issues in their programs. Hence, they will need to mobilize resources to implement their activities.

The allocation of resources will be made according to specific activities set by each Institution and these Institutions will be accountable for the use of resources. Joint actions (Government and its Partners) will be needed to advocate for resource.

IV. CONCLUSION

Occupational Safety and Health is a vital component for the economic development of any Country. Therefore, OSH promotion through protection of workers from any kind of Occupational injuries, diseases and fatalities will contribute greatly to the development of our Country. Due to the fact that OSH is a mult-sectoral discipline, the implementation of OSH Policy will need commitment by the Government and all concerned partners. To achieve this, all concerned Institutions need to mainstream OSH promoting strategies and programs into their annual programs as well as mobilizing resources to deliver these activities.

The Government of Rwanda in partnership with its partners has made enormous efforts in as far as OSH promotion is concerned. These efforts are reflected in laws and regulations as well as policies developed by the Government of Rwanda to promote OSH. Rwanda has also joined International dimension and ratified OSH related conventions even though the relevant general convention C155 is yet to be ratified.

All these efforts have greatly promoted OSH in the Country. However, statistics show that Occupational injuries, diseases and fatalities are still increasing in the Country. Hence, there is need of more efforts by the Government and all concerned Institutions to control these Occupational hazards. The implementation of OSH Policy will play a great role in promoting OSH in the Country. Therefore, ownership of OSH issues and ensuring compliance with OSH requirements by both Employers and Employees will at the Centre of OSH Promotion strategies. Moreover, all Concerned Institutions will need to play their roles effectively in the implementation of OSH Policy.

LOGICAL FRAMEWORK OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN AND BUDGET

The logical framework of the strategic plan highlights strategic objectives, outputs and activities to deliver these objectives and outputs. It also provides for indicators, means of verification, actors responsible, timeframe as well as the estimated budget to implement the activities.

Table 1: Logical framework of the strategic plan and budget

Outputs and	Indicators	Means of verification	Actors responsible	Time/Year				Budget	in	
Activities			for						USD	
			implementation							
				1	2	3	4	5		
SO1: To Improve co-or	SO1: To Improve co-ordination and alignment of institutions roles and activities									
Output 1: Improving	100% of OSH activities	MIFOTRA Annual	MIFOTRA							
National OSH	are well coordinated in	Reports								
coordination among	central and									
Central and District	decentralized									
Institutions	Institutions									
Activities										
1. Improve	By 2018, Management	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,						60,000	
Institutional	of hazardous substances	MINISANTE,	MINISANTE,							
co-ordination	and risks at workplaces	MINIRENA,	MINIRENA,							
for the	is improved	MININFRA,	MININFRA,							

management of		MINAGRI,	MINAGRI,		
hazardous		MINICOM,	MINICOM, RSSB,		
substances and		RSSB,RNRA/GMD,	RNRA/GMD, RBS,		
risks at		RBS, EWS Ltd,	EWS Ltd, Districts		
workplaces.		Districts and GoR	and GoR Partners		
		Partners Reports			
2. Clarify and,	By 2016, the flow and	MIFOTRA Report	MIFOTRA,		40,000
where	order of work,		MINISANTE,		
appropriate,	duties,		MINIRENA,		
realign the	responsibilities		MININFRA,		
roles and	& competences of all		MINAGRI,		
responsibilities	OSH Actors are drawn		MINICOM,		
of Government	up.		MIDIMAR,		
and Districts			RNRA/GMD,		
with workplace			RSSB, RNP, EWS		
Health and			Ltd, RED		
Safety			CROSS/RWANDA		
responsibilities			,RDB, RHA and		
, and			GoR Partners		
strengthen					
inter-					
Institutional					

relationships at						
both central						
and district						
levels.						
3. Establishment	By 2016, steering	MIFOTRA Report	MIFOTRA,		 	 30,000
of OSH	committee in Public and	-	MINISANTE,			
steering	Private institutions is		MINIRENA,			
committee in	established		MININFRA,			
Public and			MINAGRI,			
Private			MINICOM,			
institutions;			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions and			
			other GoR Patners			
4. Improving	By 2018, Cooperation	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			40,000
cooperation	among Government	MINISANTE,	MINISANTE,			
among	Ministries/Agencies,	MINIRENA,	MINIRENA,			
Government	Private sector federation	MININFRA,	MININFRA,			

Minis	stries/Age	and Trade	Unions is	MINAGRI,	MINAGRI,			
ncies	Private	improved		MINICOM,	MINICOM,			
sector	r			MIDIMAR,	MIDIMAR,			
federa	ation and			RNRA/GMD, RSSB,	RNRA/GMD,			
Trade	Unions.			RNP, EWS Ltd, RED	RSSB, RNP, EWS			
				CROSS/RWANDA,R	Ltd, RED			
				DB, RHA, PSF, Trade	CROSS/RWANDA			
				Unions and other GoR	,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
				Partners Reports	Trade Unions and			
					other GoR Partners			
5. Increa	ase joint	By 2017, je	oint planning	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			40,000
plann	ing by	in	Government	MINISANTE,	MINISANTE,			
Gove	rnment	Institutions	is increased	MINIRENA,	MINIRENA,			
Institu	utions to			MININFRA,	MININFRA,			
ensur	e better			MINAGRI,	MINAGRI,			
co-or	dination			MINICOM,	MINICOM,			
and a	lignment			MIDIMAR,	MIDIMAR,			
of wo	ork			RNRA/GMD, RSSB,	RNRA/GMD,			
progr	ams.			RNP, EWS Ltd, RED	RSSB, RNP, EWS			
				CROSS/RWANDA,R	Ltd, RED			
				DB, RHA, PSF, Trade	CROSS/RWANDA			
				Unions and other GoR	,RDB, RHA and			

		Partners Reports	other GoR Partners			
6. Providing OSH	By 2019, OSH is	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			40,000
advocacy to	mainstreamed in	MINISANTE,	MINISANTE,			
Policymakers	activities of Government	MINIRENA,	MINIRENA,			
from Central	at Central and Local	MININFRA,	MININFRA,			
Government to	Levels.	MINAGRI,	MINAGRI,			
Local		MINICOM,	MINICOM,			
Government.		MIDIMAR,	MIDIMAR,			
		RNRA/GMD, RSSB,	RNRA/GMD,			
		RNP, EWS Ltd, RED	RSSB, RNP, EWS			
		CROSS/RWANDA,R	Ltd, RED			
		DB, RHA, PSF, Trade	CROSS/RWANDA			
		Unions and other GoR	,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
		Partners Reports	Trade Unions and			
			other GoR Partners			
SO2: To harmonize lav	ws and regulations, standa	rds & guidelines on OS	H			
Output 1: Evaluation	OSH laws and	OSH Laws and	MIFOTRA			
of all OSH laws and	regulations are	Regulations published				
regulations.	evaluated	in the Official Gazette				
Activities						
1. Studying and	By 2016, OSH laws and	Official Gazette and	MIFOTRA,			115,000

analyzing all	regulations are aligned	specific regulations	MINISANTE,			
OSH laws and			MINIRENA,			
regulations that			MININFRA,			
are no longer			MINAGRI,			
in alignment.			MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions and			
			other GoR Partners			
Output 2:	100% of OSH laws and	MIFOTRA Report	MIFOTRA			
Formulation of OSH	regulations are					
laws and regulations.	reformulated					
Activities						
1. Amendment of	By 2016, Law N°	Official Gazette	MIFOTRA			55,000
Law N°	13/2009 of 27/05/2009					
13/2009 of	and OSH Ministerial					
27/05/2009	orders are amended					
regulating						

labour in						
Rwanda, other						
Ministerial						
orders and						
regulations on						
OSH.						
2. Initiation of	By 2016, ILO	MIFOTRA Annual	MIFOTRA			45,000
ratification of	conventions on OSH,	Report on ratified	MIIOTKA			-5,000
ILO	which is, C187, C155,	conventions				
conventions on	C161, and C81are	conventions				
OSH, which is,	ratified					
C187, C155,						
C161, and C81.						
Output 3:	Guidelines on OSH	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			
Formulation of	formulated and are	MINISANTE,	MINISANTE,			
implementing	implemented	MINIRENA,	MINIRENA,			
guidelines on OSH		MININFRA,	MININFRA,			
		MINAGRI,	MINAGRI,			
		MINICOM,	MINICOM,			
		MIDIMAR,	MIDIMAR,			
		RNRA/GMD, RSSB,	RNRA/GMD,			

		RNP, EWS Ltd, RED CROSS/RWANDA,R DB, RHA, PSF, Trade Unions, RBS and other GoR Partners Reports	RSSB, RNP, EWS Ltd, RED CROSS/RWANDA ,RDB, RHA, PSF, Trade Unions, RBS and other GoR Partners			
Activities						
1. Formulation of	By 2019, 100% of OSH	Specific regulations	MIFOTRA,			75,000
implementing	Guidelines are	from different	MINISANTE,			
specific	formulated and	institutions on OSH	MINIRENA,			
regulations/gui	implemented	guidelines	MININFRA,			
delines on			MINAGRI,			
OSH by			MINICOM,			
involving			MIDIMAR,			
related			RNRA/GMD,			
technical			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
institutions (in			Ltd, RED			
an integrated			CROSS/RWANDA			

manner) and by			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
giving priority			Trade Unions, RBS			
to industrial,			and other GoR			
Agriculture,			Partners			
forestry,						
Energy,						
Transportation,						
Mining,						
Construction						
and service						
sectors.						
Output 4: Developing	OSH Standards are	OSH Guidelines	RBS,MIFOTRA,M			
OSH	developed	Document	INISANTE,MINIR			
standards	-		ENA,MININFRA,			
			MINAGRI,			
			MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, and RHA,			

Activi	ties						
1.	Developing	By 2017, OSH	National OSH	RBS,MIFOTRA,M			60,000
	OSH National	Standards are developed	Standards Documents	INISANTE,MINIR			
	standards			ENA,MININFRA,			
	where need is			MINAGRI,			
	demonstrated			MINICOM,			
	and putting			MIDIMAR,			
	them into			RNRA/GMD,			
	Rwanda			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
	National			Ltd, RED			
	Standards by			CROSS/RWANDA			
	involving			,RDB, and RHA,			
	Rwanda						
	Standards						
	Board (in an						
	integrated						
	manner).						
2.	Monitoring	By 2019,	RBS Annual Reports	RSB and			60,000
	implementation	implementation of 90%		MIFOTRA			

of National	of National OSH					
standards and	standards is monitored					
reviewing						
National						
standards and						
codes.						
SO3: To improve the r	oles & functions of OSH i	nspection				
Output 1:	Roles and functions of	MIFOTRA Report	MIFOTRA			
Strengthening the roles	OSH inspection					
and functions of OSH	department are					
inspection	strengthened					
department						
Activities						
1. Improving	By 2019, inspections in	MIFOTRA Reports	MIFOTRA			70,000
coordination	Public Institutions are					
among Public	coordinated					
interdepartmental						
inspectors.						

2.	Annual Report on	By 2019, analysis and	MIFOTRA	Annual	MIFOTRA,			60,000
	inspection results	Publication of annual	Reports		MINISANTE,			
	& analysis is	inspection reports are			MINIRENA,			
	published and used	made on annual basis			MININFRA,			
	as indicator of				MINAGRI,			
	compliance in the				MINICOM,			
	implementation of				MIDIMAR,			
	OSH.				RNRA/GMD,			
					RSSB, RNP, EWS			
					Ltd, RED			
					CROSS/RWANDA			
					,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
					Trade Unions, RSB			
					and other GoR			
					Partners			

Output2:	By 2018, roles and	MIFOTRA and	I MIFOTRA,
Strengthening the roles	functions of human	Partners Annua	1 MINISANTE,
and functions of	resources involved in	Reports	MINIRENA,
human resources	OSH activities are		MININFRA,
involved in OSH	strengthened		MINAGRI,
activities in order to			MINICOM,
develop OHS Skills.			MIDIMAR,
			RNRA/GMD,
			RSSB, RNP, EWS
			Ltd, RED
			CROSS/RWANDA
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,
			Trade Unions, RSB
			and other GoR
			Partners
Activities			
1. Stocktaking of	By 2017, Quality and	MIFOTRA Annua	1 MIFOTRA, 80,000
OSH inspectors,	quantity of OSH	Reports	MINALOC,
improving their	inspectors are improved		MINISANTE,
quality & quantity	at National and district		MINIRENA,
at National and	level		MININFRA,
district levels.			MINAGRI,

			MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions,			
			RSB, Self-			
			employed persons			
			and other GoR			
			Partners			
2. Capacity building	By 2016, 100% of OSH	MIFOTRA Reports	MIFOTRA,			90,000
of OSH	inspectors are trained on		MINISANTE,			
Inspectors.	inspection skills		MINIRENA,			
			MININFRA,			
			MINAGRI,			
			MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			

			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions, RSB			
			and other GoR			
			Partners			
3. Integrating Health	By 2019, OSH is	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			60,000
and Safety into	integrated into	MINEDUC and WDA	MINISANTE,			
vocational,	vocational, professional	Annual Reports	MINIRENA,			
professional and	and inspectorate training		MININFRA,			
inspectorate	arrangements		MINAGRI,			
training			MINICOM,			
arrangements.			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions, RSB			
			and other GoR			
			Partners			

4. Promoting the	By 2019, OSH	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA,			120,000
integration of OSH	competencies are	Trade Unions annual	MINISANTE,			
competencies into	integrated into	Reports	MINIRENA,			
management	management training,		MININFRA,			
training, including	including in small		MINAGRI,			
in small business.	business		MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions, RSB			
			and other GoR			
			Partners			
5. Encouraging	By 2019, OSH training	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			70,000
development of	resources are developed	MINEDUC and PSF	MINISANTE,			
suitable OSH		Reports	MINIRENA,			
training resources.			MININFRA,			
			MINAGRI,			
			MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			

			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions, RSB			
			and other GoR			
			Partners			
6. Researching	By 2019, 80% of OSH	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			90,000
improved methods	skills are developed	MINEDUC and PSF	MINISANTE,			
of OHS skills		Reports	MINIRENA,			
development.		-	MININFRA,			
-			MINAGRI,			
			MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions, RSB			
			and other GoR			
			and other GoR			

			Partners			
SO4: To introduce Pre	ventive Workplace Cultur	res				
Output1. Increase the	100% of employers and	MIFOTRA and PSF	MIFOTRA			
recognition among	workers are trained on	Reports				
business owners,	the benefits of OSH in					
directors and senior	business					
managers						
that Health and Safety						
benefits their business						
Activities						
1. Review the	By 2019, 100% of	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA, PSF			80,000
literature and	employers and workers	Trade Unions Reports	and Trade Unions			
conduct	are trained on the					
research into	benefits of prevention of					
the business	workplaces hazards					
benefits of a						
preventive						
approach to						
workplace						
Health and						

Safety.						
2. Develop and	By 2019, 100% Of	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA, PSF			70,000
promote	employers are trained on	Trade Unions Reports	and Trade Unions			
practical tools	how to identify and					
to help	quantify OSH benefits					
workplaces	in business					
identify and						
quantify						
business						
benefits.						
3. Communicate the	By 2019, 100% of	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA,			65,000
benefits of	business owners are	Trade Unions Reports	MINISANTE,			,
workplace Health	communicated to OSH		MINIRENA,			
and Safety to	benefits through media		MININFRA,			
business owners,			MINAGRI,			
directors and			MINICOM,			
senior managers			MIDIMAR,			
through industry			RNRA/GMD,			
networks and			RSSB, RNP, EWS			

	business leaders.						Ltd, RED			
							CROSS/RWANDA			
							,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
							Trade Unions, RSB			
							and other GoR			
							Partners			
4.	Promote more	By	2019,	OSH	MIFOTRA	Annual	MIFOTRA,			30,000
	extensive	perfor	rmance is r	eported	Reports		MINISANTE,			
	reporting of	by Ins	stitutions on	annual			MINIRENA,			
	Health and Safety	basis					MININFRA,			
	performance in						MINAGRI,			
	Public documents						MINICOM,			
	(such as annual						MIDIMAR,			
	reports), to						RNRA/GMD,			
	enable						RSSB, RNP, EWS			
	benchmarking						Ltd, RED			
	and encourage						CROSS/RWANDA			
	best practice.						,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
							Trade Unions, RSB			
							and other GoR			
							Partners			
Out	put2: Increase the	The	commitme	ent of	MIFOTRA,	PSF and	MIFOTRA,			

commitment and	managers is increased	Trade Unions Reports	MINISANTE,			
capability of managers	with regard to OSH		MINIRENA,			
to systematically and	management		MININFRA,			
effectively manage			MINAGRI,			
workplace Health and			MINICOM,			
Safety			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions,			
			RSB, Decentralized			
			entities and other			
			GoR Partners			
Activities						
1. Provide	By 2019, 100% of	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA, PSF			75,000
practical	employers and workers	Trade Unions Reports	and Trade Unions			
guidance and	are trained on OSH					
tools to support	management					
the systematic						
and effective						

	management of						
	Health and						
	Safety.						
		D 0010 1 1					10.000
2.	Increase the	By 2019, reach and	MIFOTRA Report	MIFOTRA,			40,000
	reach and	effectiveness of		MINISANTE,			
	effectiveness	incentive programs is		MINIRENA,			
	of incentive	increased		MININFRA,			
	programs.			MINAGRI,			
				MINICOM,			
				MIDIMAR,			
				RNRA/GMD,			
				RSSB, RNP, EWS			
				Ltd, RED			
				CROSS/RWANDA			
				,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
				Trade Unions,			
				RSB, Decentralized			
				entities and other			
				GoR Partners			

3.	Promote the	By 2019, industries are	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,		40,000
	systematic and	accredited and trained	MINICOM and RDB	MINICOM and		
	effective	on OSH	Reports	RDB		
	management of					
	Health and					
	Safety through					
	industry					
	accreditation					
	programs and					
	industry					
	training					
	programs.					
4.	Build the	By 2019, 100% of	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA, PSF		80,000
	capability of	managers, especially	Trade Unions Reports	and Trade Unions		00,000
	managers to	form small businesses				
	manage	and high-risk industries				
	effectively	are trained on OSH				
	Health and	management				
	Safety systems,					
	particularly in					
	small					
	businesses and					

	high-risk						
	industries.						
5.	Raise	By 2019, 100% of	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA, PSF			70,000
	managers'	managers are aware of	Trade Unions Reports	and Trade Unions			
	awareness	legal obligations to					
	about the	provide safe working					
	benefits of	environments and its					
	workplace	benefits					
	Health and						
	Safety, and						
	about						
	employers'						
	legal						
	obligations to						
	provide safe						
	working						
	environments.						
		D 2017					10.000
6.	Acknowledge	By 2017, recognition	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA,			40,000
	excellence in	schemes and awards are	Trade Unions Reports	MINISANTE,			
	Health and	developed		MINIRENA,			
	Safety			MININFRA,			

management			MINAGRI,			
through			MINICOM,			
recognition			MIDIMAR,			
schemes and			RNRA/GMD,			
awards.			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions,			
			RSB, Decentralized			
			entities and other			
			GoR Partners			
Output3: Ensure that	By 2019, trainings are	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA,			
workers participate	conducted on workers	Trade Unions Reports	MINISANTE,			
effectively in	OSH at workplace		MINIRENA,			
processes for			MININFRA,			
improving workplace			MINAGRI,			
Health and Safety			MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			

				CROSS/RWANDA			
				,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
				Trade Unions,			
				RSB, Decentralized			
				entities and other			
				GoR Partners			
Activi	ties						
1.	Raise	By 2019, 100% of	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA,			90,000
	awareness	workers are trained on	Trade Unions Reports	MINISANTE,			
	about the	their participation in		MINIRENA,			
	benefits of	improving workplace		MININFRA,			
	employee	Health and Safety		MINAGRI,			
	participation,			MINICOM,			
	and also about			MIDIMAR,			
	employers'			RNRA/GMD,			
	legal			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
	obligations to			Ltd, RED			
	involve			CROSS/RWANDA			
	workers in			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
	workplace			Trade Unions,			
	Health and			RSB, Decentralized			
	Safety			entities and other			

						GoR Partners			
2.	Build the	By 2019, 100%	of	MIFOTRA,	PSF and	MIFOTRA,	PSF		70,000
	capability of	Safety representati	ves	Trade Unions	Reports	and Trade Uni	ons		
	Health and	are trained on OSH							
	Safety								
	representatives								
	through								
	training								
3.	Provide	By 2019, 100%	of	MIFOTRA,	PSF and	MIFOTRA,	PSF		80,000
	practical	workers are provid		Trade Unions		and Trade Uni	ons		
	guidance for	with practical guida	nce						
	workplaces on	on OSH matters							
	employee-								
	participation								
	systems and								
	practices to								
	support								
	effective								
	involvement of								
	workers in								
	Health and								

	Safety matters						
4.	Recognize the	By 2017, 100% of	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA,			110,000
	role that Health	Health and Safety	Trade Unions Reports	MINISANTE,			
	and Safety	representatives are		MINIRENA,			
	representatives	provided with required		MININFRA,			
	play in the	resources and practical		MINAGRI,			
	workplace, and	tools		MINICOM,			
	provide them			MIDIMAR,			
	with support,			RNRA/GMD,			
	resources, and			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
	practical tools			Ltd, RED			
				CROSS/RWANDA			
				,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
				Trade Unions,			
				RSB, Decentralized			
				entities and other			
				GoR Partners			
5.	Promote and	By 2019, 100% of	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA,			120,000
	enforce legal	employers and workers	Trade Unions Reports	MINISANTE,			
	requirements	are aware of legal		MINIRENA,			
	relating to	requirements relating to		MININFRA,			
	employee-	employee-participation		MINAGRI,			

participation	systems			MINICOM,			
systems				MIDIMAR,			
				RNRA/GMD,			
				RSSB, RNP, EWS			
				Ltd, RED			
				CROSS/RWANDA			
				,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
				Trade Unions,			
				RSB, Decentralized			
				entities and other			
				GoR Partners			
Output4:	Government sector is	MIFOTRA	Annual	MIFOTRA,			
Implementing OSH in	implementing OSH	Reports		MINISANTE,			
the Government sector				MINIRENA,			
				MININFRA,			
				MINAGRI,			
				MINICOM,			
				MIDIMAR,			
				RNRA/GMD,			
				RSSB, RNP, EWS			
				Ltd, RED			
				CROSS/RWANDA			

			,RDB, RHA, RSB,			
			Decentralized			
			entities and other			
			GoR Partners			
Activities						
Mainstreaming OSH	By 2017, OSH is	MIFOTRA Annual	MIFOTRA,			
into Government	mainstreamed into	Reports	MINISANTE,			
Institutions Activities	100% of Government		MINIRENA,			
	Institutions		MININFRA,			
			MINAGRI,			
			MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, RSB,			
			Decentralized			
			entities and other			
			GoR Partners			
SO5: To maintain and	enhance OSH competence	e	<u> </u>			
Output1:	OSH information is	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			

Dissemination of	disseminated	MINISANTE,	MINISANTE,			
information on OSH		MINIRENA,	MINIRENA,			
		MININFRA,	MININFRA,			
		MINAGRI,	MINAGRI,			
		MINICOM,	MINICOM,			
		MIDIMAR,	MIDIMAR,			
		RNRA/GMD, RSSB,	RNRA/GMD,			
		RNP, EWSA, RED	RSSB, RNP, EWS			
		CROSS/RWANDA,R	Ltd, RED			
		DB, RHA, PSF, Trade	CROSS/RWANDA			
		Unions, Civil Society,	,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
		NGOs, RBS and other	Trade Unions, Civil			
		actors' Reports	Society, NGOs,			
			RBS and other			
			actors			
Activities						
1. Organizing	By 2019, OSH Day is	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA, PSF			50,000
OSH Day	organized on 28 April	Trade Unions Reports	and Trade Unions			
every 28 April	annually					
& filling it						
with activities						
aimed at						

disseminating						
and informing						
the general						
Public on						
OSH.						
	D 2010 1000/ C					10.000
2. All effort made	5		, , ,			10,000
to encourage	media are encouraged to	PSF Reports	MINISANTE,			
all the media to	disseminate the		MINIRENA,			
have a special	information on OSH		MININFRA,			
section/			MINAGRI,			
column on			MINICOM,			
OSH.			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			, RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions, Civil			
			Society, NGOs,			
			RSB and other GoR			
			Partners			
Output2:	OSH competence	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA			

Establishment of OSH	standards and training	MINEDUC and PSF				
competence standards	institutions are	Reports				
& OSH training	established					
institutions						
Activities						
1. Establishing	By 2019, Research on	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			50,000
research	OSH is promoted	MINEDUC and PSF	MINISANTE,			
priorities,		Reports	MINIRENA,			
cooperative			MININFRA,			
arrangements			MINAGRI,			
and network.			MINICOM,			
			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions, Civil			
			Society, NGOs,			
			RSB and other GoR			
			Partners			
2. Exploring	By 2019, partnerships	MIFOTRA annual	MIFOTRA,			30,000

partnerships	with OSH partners is	Reports	MINISANTE,			
between areas	improved		MINIRENA,			
concerned with			MININFRA,			
Public and			MINAGRI,			
Occupational			MINICOM,			
Health.			MIDIMAR,			
			RNRA/GMD,			
			RSSB, RNP, EWS			
			Ltd, RED			
			CROSS/RWANDA			
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
			Trade Unions, Civil			
			Society, NGOs,			
			RSB and other GoR			
			Partners			
3. Improving	By 2019,	MIFOTRA and PSF	MIFOTRA,			40,000
communication	Communication with	Reports	MINEDUC, PSF			
with National	National and		and other GoR			
and	International OSH		Partners			
International	bodies is improved					
OHS research						
bodies.						

4. Developing	By 2019, Rwanda	MIFOTRA Annual	MIFOTRA and	50,000
Rwanda	National Standards of	Report	RSB	
National	Occupational			
Standards of	Competence in OSH are			
Occupational	developed			
Competence in				
OSH.				
Output3: Introduction	Awareness on OSH is	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA,	
-				
of OSH in all sectors	raised to all sectors	Trade Union Reports	MINISANTE,	
through websites,			MINIRENA,	
books, trainings and			MININFRA,	
other mediums			MINAGRI,	
			MINICOM,	
			MIDIMAR,	
			RNRA/GMD,	
			RSSB, RNP, EWS	
			Ltd, RED	
			CROSS/RWANDA	
			,RDB, RHA, PSF,	
			Trade Unions, Civil	
			Society, NGOs,	
			RSB and other GoR	

				Partners			
Activi	ties						
1.	Introduction of	By 2019, OSH is	MIFOTRA and	MIFOTRA and			30,000
	OSH budget to	mainstreamed in	MINECOFIN Reports	MINECOFIN			
	Government	National budget					
		annually					
2.	Introduction of	By 2019, awareness on	MIFOTRA, PSF and	MIFOTRA, PSF			90,000
	OSH to	OSH is raised among	Trade Unions Reports	and Trade Unions			
	employers &	100% of employers &					
	workers	workers					
		2 2010					
3.	Introduction of	By 2019, awareness on	MIFOTRA,	MIFOTRA,			50,000
	OSH from	OSH is raised from	MINEDUC and other	MINEDUC and			
	early age,	primary school to	partners Reports	other partners			
	school age	University					
	until						
	university.						
	T 1 1	D 2010 1 1 6					20.000
4.	Improving the	By 2019, the role of		MIFOTRA, RGB			20,000
	role of	professional	Annual Reports	and PSF			
	professional	Organizations is					
	Organizations	strengthened					

5. Improvir	ng the	By 2018, 809	% of the	MIFOTRA,			MIFOTRA,			38,000
competer	nce of	competence	of OSH	MINEDUC	and P	SF	MINISANTE,			
OSH		practitioners	is	Report			MINIRENA,			
practition	ners	strengthened					MININFRA,			
							MINAGRI,			
							MINICOM,			
							MIDIMAR,			
							RNRA/GMD,			
							RSSB, RNP, EWS			
							Ltd, RED			
							CROSS/RWANDA			
							,RDB, RHA, PSF,			
							Trade Unions, Civil			
							Society, NGOs,			
							RSB and other GoR			
							Partners			
SO6: To establi	ish and	implement the	integrated	OSH informa	ation sy	sten	n			
Output:		Integrated		MIFOTRA	Ann	ual	MIFOTRA, NISR			
Establishment	of	National	OSH	Reports			and other GoR			
integrated		information					Partners			
National	OSH	system is estab	lished							
information										

system						
Activities						
1.Develop integrated information system for more effective processes of sharing data and information between Government and districts	By 2018, Integrated OSH information system is developed	MIFOTRA Report	MIFOTRA and other partners			110,000
2. Extending data coverage	By 2019, Data is covered in the Country annually	MIFOTRA Report	MIFOTRA and other partners			150,000
 Developing consistent definitions and measurement 	By2017,cleardefinitionsandmeasurementprinciplesare developed	MIFOTRA Report	MIFOTRA, NISR, RSSB and other partners			20,000

	principles							
4.	Extending	By 2017, OSH reporting	MIFOTRA Report	MIFOTRA,	PSF			50,000
	systems to	system is developed		and Districts				
	allow timely							
	reporting and							
	provision of							
	information.							

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