



Promoting Accountability of Public Resources

AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT

**On the Financial Statement Audit of the Youth
Entrepreneurship & Employment Project (YEEP)
Project SAT Number: P-LR-KB0-001
Grant Number: FAPA: 5700155002551
&
TSF: 5900155010401**

for the period December 31, 2021

June 2023

**P. GARSWA JACKSON SR., ACCA, CFIP, CFC
AUDITOR GENERAL, R. L.**



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June 30, 2023

Hon. Dester Zeogar Wilson
Minister
Ministry of Youth and Sports
Monrovia, Liberia

Dear Hon. Wilson:

**RE: AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT OF THE
YOUTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP & EMPLOYMENT PROJECT (YEEP).**

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Youth Entrepreneurship & Employment Project (YEEP) for the period ended December 31, 2021. These financial statements comprise the statement of Receipts and Payments, statement of financial performance, statement of financial position for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting Policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements (Project SAT Number: P-LR-KB0-001; Grant Number: FAPA: 5700155002551/ TSF: 5900155010401) present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Youth Entrepreneurship & Employment Project (YEEP) for the period December 31, 2021 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) Cash Basis of Accounting.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements Section of our report. We are independent of the entity in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Supreme Audit Institutions together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in accordance with the World Bank guideline and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IPSAS Cash Basis, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing its ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The YEEP Management is responsible for overseeing the Project's financial reporting process.

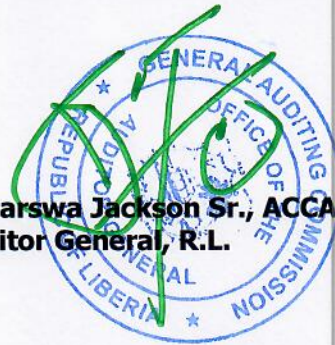


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Auditor's Responsibility

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISSAIs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

**P. Garswa Jackson Sr., ACCA, CFIP, CFC
Auditor General, R.L.**



Monrovia, Liberia
June 2023



**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
 FOR THE PERIOD ENDED December 31, 2021**

<i>In United States Dollars</i>	Notes	2021 Dec
Receipt		
AfDB Grant	4	1
Total Receipt		<u>1</u>
Payment		
Skills Development, job readiness & MYS Institutional Support	5	
Entrepreneurship Development	6	
Capacity building of PIU	7	
Other Administration costs and contingency	8	
Project Evaluation	9	
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Total Payments		<u> </u>



**STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE AND CASH STATUS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED December 31, 2021**

In United States Dollars

Notes **D.**

A Fund Balance

Balance of Project Fund

Add: Total Receipts during the period

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Total Fund available for operations

Less: Total Payments during the period

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Balance of project fund at the end of the year

B Cash Status:



STATEMENT OF COMPARISON OF BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR E

11. Ananlysis of Variance

Activities Within Components

**Project
Allocation**

US\$

1,055,000

Skills Development, job readiness & MYS Institutional Support

599,050

Entrepreneurship Development

106,791

Capacity building of PIU

526,617

Other Administration costs and contingency

88,052

Project Evaluation

15,000

Audit

2,390,510

Grand Total



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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT DECEMBER 3, 2021**

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<i>In United States Dollars</i>	Notes	2021 DECEMBER	2021 June
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalent		<u>39,401</u>	<u>1,372</u>
Total Assets		<u>39,401</u>	<u>1,372</u>
Fund Balance			
Grants		<u>39,401</u>	<u>1,372</u>
Accumulated Fund Balance		<u>39,401</u>	<u>1,372</u>

Papin Daniels, Jr.
**Director, Donor Financed Projects
PFMU, MFD**

Jesse H. Bengu
**Project Manager -PMU
YEEP**



**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED December 31, 2021**

<i>In United States Dollars</i>	Notes	2021 December
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalent		<u>39,40</u>
Total Assets		39,40
Fund Balance		
Grants		<u>39,40</u>
Accumulated Fund Balance		39,40



NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Background and Information of the Project

With support from the African Development Bank (AfDB); the YEE-project youth entrepreneurship through improving their business skills and improving their income and empowering them with relevant skills required by the job market. The YEEP was approved by the African Development Bank on September 28, 2016 with a grant amount of \$10 million. The project is

- i. To improve youth entrepreneurship through improving their business skills and increasing their income;
- ii. To improve youth employability by empowering them with relevant skills;
- iii. To expand businesses started by young people;
- iv. Increased employment and income of young people; and
- v. Establishment of innovative and sustainable programs on youth entrepreneurship in Liberia.

2. Use of Grant Proceeds

The table below sets out the categories of items to be financed out of the grant amounts of the grant to each category and the percentage of expenditures in each category:

Category	Amount	Percentage of Grant	Percentage of Expenditures
Skills Development, job readiness & MYS Institutional Support			
Entrepreneurship Development			
Capacity building of PIU			
Other Administration costs and contingency			
Audit			



• **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** *(continued)*

3. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Cash Basis Accounting Standards (IPSAS) as adopted by the Government of Liberia and Project Agreement as required by the African Development Bank Policies Financial Management manual.

Reporting currency

Financial reports have been presented in United States Dollars. Transactions denominated in other currencies are translated into United States Dollars and recorded at the rate of exchange prevailing on the reporting date. Balances denominated in other currencies are translated into United States Dollars at the rate of exchange prevailing on the reporting date.

Loan Receipts

Loan from donors for the YEE project is recognized and reported in the Statement of Financial Position as income when received and held in a bank account called Special Income Account for the YEE project purposes. All payments for the YEE project and activities are made from the special income account.

Cash and bank balances

Cash consist of cash in hand and balance at bank.

Recognition of expenditure

All expenditures are expensed whether they are revenue or capital in nature as long as the funds are received from the African Development Bank.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

In United States Dollars

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Dec

4 Grant Receipt

TSF No.5900155011455

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AfDB-Direct Payments

Other

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**5 Skills Development & MYS Institutional Support
 Job readiness**

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6 Entrepreneurship Development

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7 Capacity building of PIU

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8 Other Administration costs and contingency

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8 Project Evaluation

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9 Audit

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*
PROJECT DESIGNATED ACCOUNT STATEMENT

Account Number:	6100063462/6100063732
Account Type:	Current Account
Depository Bank:	Ecobank Lineria Limited
Address:	11th Street Sinkor Monrovia, Liberia

Currency: United States Dollar

Total Grant Received

Total grant income reported

Amount spent

Balance as at beginning

