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Ms. Brenda Gael McSweeney  
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and  
Mr. Pedro Medrano  
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*Brenda & Pedro*  
Dear Ms. McSweeney and Mr. Medrano:

On behalf of the Executive Director, it is a pleasure for me to thank you for your joint letter informing the World Food Programme that the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) for India has been finalised.

I take this opportunity to congratulate you on the collaborative work to prepare the contents of which reflect the commitment of the United Nations to highlight and implement our common development priorities.

I look forward to sharing in the progress of these activities and confirms the importance it places on the UNDAF process.

Sincerely,

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Dear Brenda,


*Re: The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) for India*

I am writing on behalf of Jim Wolfensohn, who asked me to follow up on your letter of August 14, enclosing the final UNDAF document for India.

The completion of the UNDAF document, following intensive consultations with the government and the broader development community, should indeed be a major source of pride for both the Government of India and the UN agencies in India. The fact that these consultations resulted in agreement to focus on gender inequalities and decentralization issues, both of which are central to India's future progress, is of course of great interest to us at the Bank. It is particularly helpful to know that the 18+ UN organizations working in India have agreed to use the UNDAF framework to work in concert, with shared objectives and actions, in these areas. After all, we are similarly engaged in an effort to set the strategic directions for the World Bank in India, to maximize synergies with partners such as yourselves, and to use our limited development resources where they can have the greatest impact. Since we are currently updating our own Country Assistance Strategy (CAS), we look forward to the continued input of you and your colleagues, and other partners, while we evaluate the ways in which the World Bank Group can be most useful in supporting India's economic development.

Please pass on my congratulations to your team for successfully completing this phase of such an important process. I can assure you that the Bank will continue to work in partnership with both GOI and the UN to make real progress against your selected UNDAF goals, as well as the ultimate goal of reducing poverty and improving lives in India.

With regards.

*Regards,*  
Sincerely,  


Edwin R. Lim  
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8 September 2000

Dear Ms McSweeney,


**Subject: United Nations Development Assistance  
Framework (UNDAF) - India Document**

Thank you for your note of August 14, 2000 to Executive Director, UNAIDS, attaching the final official UNDAF - India Document.

The UNDAF Task Force and your Office are to be complimented on an excellent Framework that spells out in clear and concise terms the areas for collaborative action for the UN system in India. Clearly, the UNDAF goals of promoting gender equality and of strengthening decentralization are of particular significance for, among others, an effective national HIV/AIDS prevention and care response. In this regard we look forward to the further strengthening of the joint UN system effort on HIV/AIDS within the new UNDAF Framework.

Best regards.

Yours sincerely,

  
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cc: Chairperson, UN Theme Group on HIV/AIDS, India  
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