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Abstract

Monitoring and evaluation is a key feature in contracting relationships between government, donors, private sector, NGOs and the wider civil society in law and justice service provision. However, less effort are placed on evaluating the impacts of NGO-Government collaborative projects funded with contestable grants to create safer, more peaceful communities. This research explores the role of monitoring and evaluation of projects funded with contestable grants focusing on issues and challenges raised by the lack of evaluation and identifies ways in which local communities define a successful collaborative NGO-Government project. The research proposes a potential evaluation pathway as a culturally appropriate monitoring and evaluation tool.

Acronyms

AUSAID	Australian Aid for International Development
CJLU	Community Justice Liaison Unit
CS	Correctional Services
CSO	Civil Society Organisation
DIFID	Department for International Development
GOA	Government of Australia
GOPNG	Government of Papua New Guinea
JAG	Justice Advisory Group
LJS	Law and Justice Sector
LJSP	Law and Justice Sector Programme
MBCSA	Milne Bay Counselling Services Association Inc
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
MEF	Monitoring and Evaluation Framework
NGO	Non-Government Organisation
NLJP	National Law and Justice Policy
PMF	Performance Monitoring Framework
PNG	Papua New Guinea
RBM	Results-Based Management
SSF	Sector Strategic Framework

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