COUNCIL OF MINISTERS REGULATION No. 281/2013

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS REGULATION TO
PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
NATIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AND THE
NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

This Regulation is issued by the Council of Ministers pursuant to Article 5 and Article 34 of the Definition of Powers and Duties of the Executive Organs of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia Proclamation No. 691/2010.

PART ONE

GENERAL

1. Short Title

This Regulation may be cited as the "National Planning Council and the National Planning Commission Establishment Council of Ministers Regulation No. 281/2013".

2. Definition

In this Regulation "Regional State" means any state referred to in Article 47(1) of the Constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and includes the Addis Ababa and Dire Dawa city administrations.
3. Establishment

The National Planning Council (hereinafter the "Council") is hereby established.

4. Members of the Council

The Council shall have the following members:

1/ The Prime Minister .................................... Chairperson;
2/ Cabinet Ministers ........................................ Members;
3/ Chief Executives of Regional States .................... Members;
4/ Deputy Chief Executives of Regional States ............... Members;
5/ Governor of the National Bank of Ethiopia ................. Members;
6/ Other organs to be designated by the Prime Minister ....... Members.

5. Powers and Duties of the Council

The Council shall have the powers and duties to:

1/ set overall targets of growth of gross domestic products and gross domestic products per capita for the long term period of fifteen years and the breakdown of successive five-year periods therein;
2/ provide guidance for planning and development priorities at the commencement of each five-year plan and finally approve the plan;
3/ review the periodic evaluation results of the plan submitted by the National Planning Commission and ensure its integrated implementation by federal and regional executive organs.

6. Meetings of the Council

1/ The Council shall hold its regular meetings once every year; provided, however that it may hold extraordinary meetings at any time where necessary.
2/ There shall be quorum where more than half of the members of the Council are present at a meeting.
3/ The Council shall pass its decisions by majority vote; in case of a tie, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote.
4/ Without prejudice to the provisions of this Article, the Council may adopt its own rules of procedure.
PART THREE

THE NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

7. Establishment

1/ The National Planning Commission (hereinafter the "Commission") is hereby established as an autonomous federal government organ having its own legal personality.

2/ The Commission shall be accountable to the Prime Minister.

8. Head Office

The Commission shall have its head office in Addis Ababa.

9. Objective

The objective of the Commission shall be to prepare five-year plans of national development in the framework of country wide balanced growth within the context of a long term perspective plan of fifteen years, and conduct periodic evaluation of the implementation of the plans.

10. Powers and Duties of the Commission

The Commission shall have the powers and duties to:

1/ serve as secretariat of the Council and provide support as needed;

2/ conduct assessment of growth factors in terms of increase in capital and productivity necessary for the attainment of the annual growth in gross domestic products set in the plan;

3/ formulate macro-economic targets of savings, investment, exports and imports which are consistent with the growth target of gross domestic products, and reform measures pertaining to policies and legislations;

4/ set the breakdown of gross domestic products into its component sectors of agriculture, industry and services;

5/ disaggregate the sectors referred to in sub-article (4) of this Article into their sub-sectors, and further down to groups of products or branches of industry to enable the plan to guide the implementation;

6/ analyze the inter-industry demand for the agricultural and manufacturing sectors so as to particularly assess availability of inputs both from domestic sources and through imports;
7/ draw out sector plans iteratively in consultation with the relevant federal and regional executive organs, detailing programs and projects to be undertaken as well as reform measures pertaining to policies and legislations;

8/ formulate plan implementation matrix by line ministries at the federal level and regional bureaus showing actions to be undertaken covering the entire sector plan;

9/ conduct periodic monitoring and evaluation of the plan implementation;

10/ perform other activities necessary for the attainment of its objective.

11. Organization of the Commission

The Commission shall have:

1/ a Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner to be appointed by the government; and

2/ the necessary staff.

12. Powers and Duties of the Commissioner

1/ The Commissioner shall be the chief executive officer of the Commission and shall direct and administer the activities of the Commission.

2/ Without limiting the generality of sub-article (1) of this Article, the Commissioner shall:

a) exercise the powers and duties of the Commission stated under Article 10 of this Regulation;

b) employ and administer employees of the Commission in accordance with the federal civil service laws;

c) prepare the work programs and budgets of the Commission and implement same upon approval by the government;

d) effect payments in accordance with the approved work program and budget of the Commission;

e) represent the Commission in all its dealings with third parties;

f) prepare and submit to the Office of the Prime Minister the performance and financial reports of the Commission.
3/ The Commissioner may delegate part of his powers and duties to the Deputy Commissioner and other officers and employees of the Commission to the extent necessary for the efficient performance of the activities of the Commission.

13. Budget

The Commission's budget shall be allocated by the government.

14. Books of Accounts

1/ The Commission shall keep complete and accurate books of accounts.

2/ The books of accounts and financial documents of the Commission shall be audited annually by the Auditor General or by auditors designated by him.

15. Effective Date

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date of publication in the Federal Negarit Gazette.

Done at Addis Ababa, this 11th day of February, 2013.

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