M&E Decentralization Reforms Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Monitoring and Evaluation	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Understand the principles and types of decentralization reforms and their governance implications.
2. Apply results-based M&E frameworks to track local government performance.
3. Utilize data-driven decision-making tools for policy evaluation.
4. Conduct impact assessments of decentralization on service delivery.
5. Design participatory evaluation strategies involving local stakeholders.
6. Assess financial accountability and resource allocation in decentralized systems.
7. Integrate performance indicators for monitoring reform effectiveness.
8. Employ digital M&E platforms for real-time data collection and reporting.
9. Analyze policy coherence and institutional capacity at local levels.
10. Conduct risk assessments and identify bottlenecks in decentralization initiatives.
11. Implement feedback loops to improve program design and outcomes.
12. Evaluate equity, inclusion, and gender responsiveness in decentralized governance.
13. Produce evidence-based policy recommendations for continuous reform improvements.

Target Audience

- Local government officials and policymakers
- M&E officers and specialists
- Development practitioners and program managers
- Governance and public administration consultants
- Civil society and community-based organization representatives
- Donors and development partners
- Academic researchers in governance and decentralization
- Technology specialists supporting M&E systems

Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Decentralization Reforms

- Overview of decentralization models: political, administrative, fiscal
- Drivers and challenges of decentralization reforms
- Global best practices and lessons learned
- Governance frameworks for decentralized systems
- Case study: Kenya’s devolution under the 2010 Constitution

Module 2: M&E Frameworks for Decentralized Systems

- Principles of results-based monitoring and evaluation
- Logical frameworks and theory of change
- Selecting relevant indicators for decentralization
- Designing data collection tools
- Case study: Uganda’s local government performance assessment

Module 3: Data Collection and Analysis in Decentralized Contexts

- Quantitative vs. qualitative methods
- Community-based participatory evaluation
- Integrating GIS and digital tools in M&E
- Data quality assurance strategies
- Case study: Philippines’ Local Government Performance Measurement

Module 4: Financial Accountability and Resource Tracking

- Budget tracking and fiscal decentralization
- Public expenditure monitoring
- Transparency and anti-corruption measures
- Citizen engagement in resource management
- Case study: Brazil’s participatory budgeting experiences

Module 5: Performance Evaluation and Outcome Measurement

- Developing and applying performance indicators
- Outcome mapping for service delivery improvements
- Benchmarking and comparative assessments
- Reporting and visualization of results
- Case study: South Africa’s municipal service delivery evaluation

Module 6: Risk Management and Bottleneck Analysis

- Identifying governance and operational risks
- Bottleneck analysis methodologies
- Mitigation strategies for decentralized programs
- Scenario planning and contingency measures
- Case study: Indonesia’s decentralized health services challenges

Module 7: Equity, Inclusion, and Gender in Decentralization

- Gender-responsive and inclusive planning
- Equity audits in local governance
- Social accountability mechanisms
- Participatory community monitoring
- Case study: Rwanda’s gender mainstreaming in local councils

Module 8: Using Findings for Policy and Reform

- Translating M&E results into actionable reforms
- Developing evidence-based recommendations

- Advocacy and stakeholder engagement
- Lessons learned documentation
- Case study: Nepal’s decentralized governance reform adaptation

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
- Analysis of case studies to bridge theory and practice.
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking.
- Expert-led Q&A sessions.
- Continuous feedback and personalized guidance.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000

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23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000

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