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Payment of salaries a priority

Recovering from an 18-month oil production shutdown, the Ministry of Finance, Commerce, Investment and Economic Planning continues to prioritize payment of all the spending agencies. October salaries are currently being disbursed.

The ministry is taking comprehensive measures to ensure revenues are available to cover November and December salaries. Actions include increased spending discipline, refinancing loans incurred by government during the oil shutdown and increasing non-oil revenue.

In October, the ministry collected 98 million SSP in non-oil revenue, exceeding the monthly target of 90 million SSP, set in September 2013.

Concerning fiscal discipline, non-salary spending has been held within approved budgets. The approved budget for non-salary spending for the first four months of the fiscal year (July-Oct.) was 600 million SSP. Actual spending was 555 million SSP.

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