

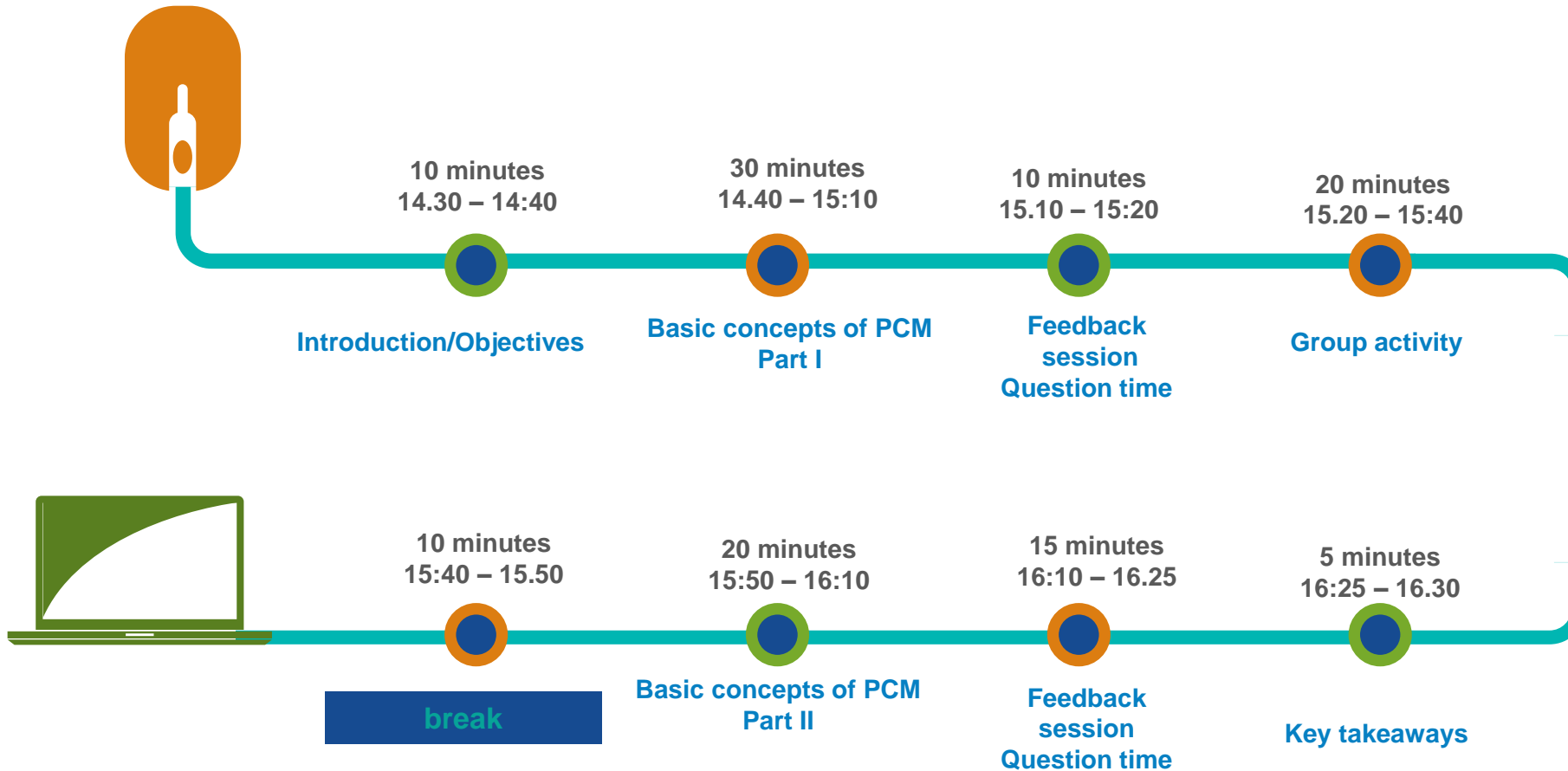
# **Project Cycle Management (PCM) Part I**

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# Agenda



# Overall Learning Objective



## Knowledge

- Introduction to PCM
- PCM related tools



## Skills

- Logframe/Theory of change Logic
- Project Design Monitoring Plan



## Confidence and Appreciation

- Oneself
- Team members

After this training, participants will be able to



# Ground rules

- 1. There are sessions in which there will be questions and answers
- 2. BUT if something is unclear, please stop me and we go over the concept again
- 3. Let's try to enjoy the Webinar, even if it is a somewhat boring topic!!!



# Module 1: Basic concept on Project Cycle Management (PCM) – PART I

## Learning Objectives

After this session, participants will be able to:

- ✓ Refer to keywords used in Project Cycle Management
- ✓ Identify each phase in PCM, key action and deliverables
- ✓ Discuss and agree on common characteristics of roles and responsibilities in PCM

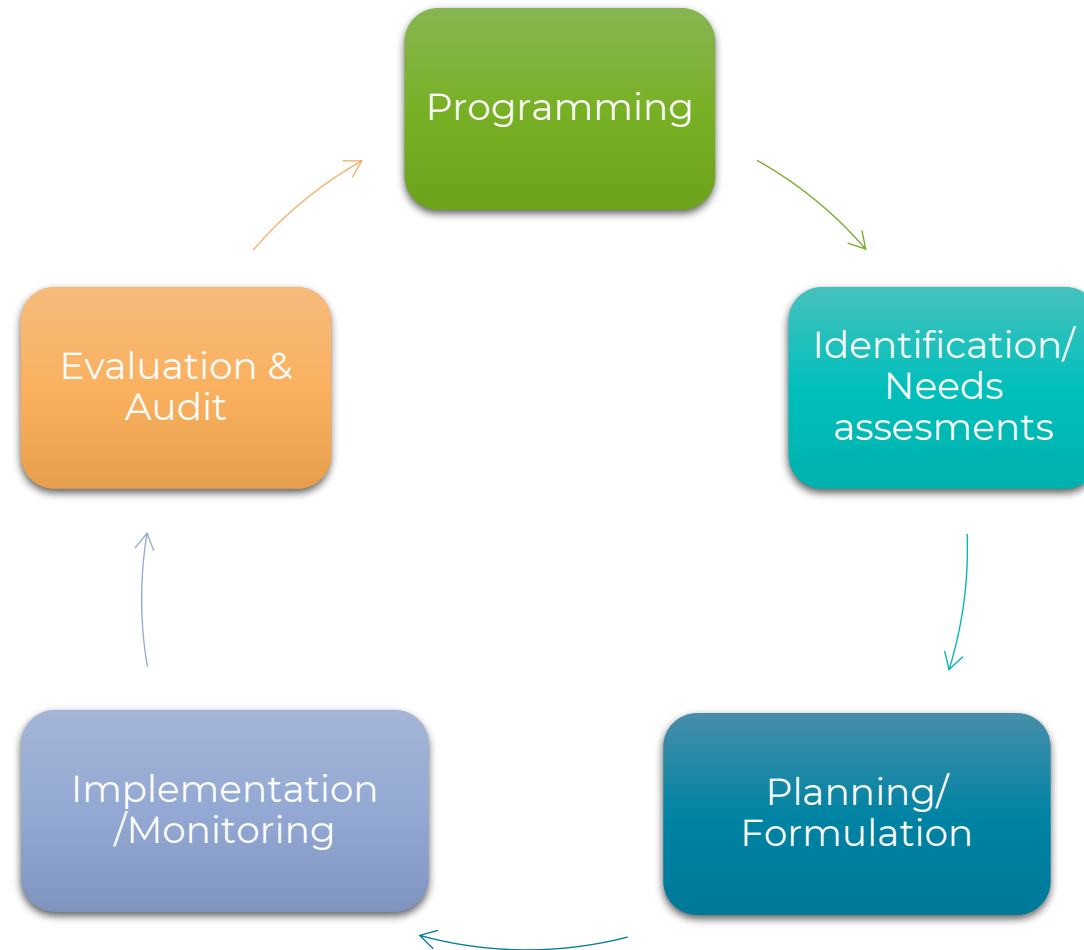
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## What is Project?

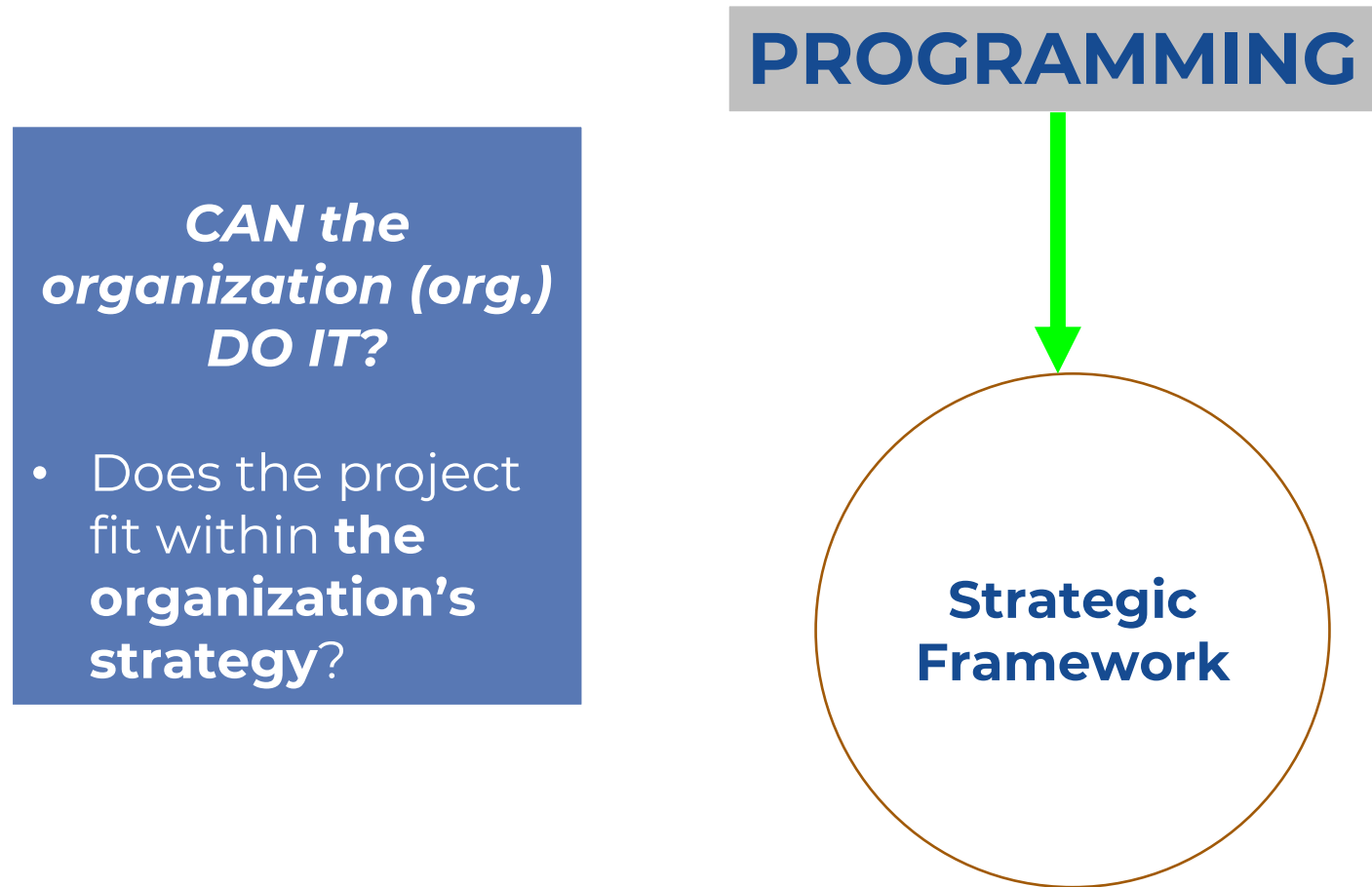
A project can be defined as 'a series of activities aimed at bringing about clearly specified objectives within a defined time period and with a defined budget'.

*(Source: EU (2004) Aid Delivery Methods. Volume 1 Project Cycle Management Guidelines)*

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## ***WHAT ARE THE NEEDS?***

- What are the needs of the **people serve**?
- What **resources** are needed to respond ?
- Who are the **stakeholders**?

## **IDENTIFICATION**



**Needs  
assessment**



Output: Needs  
Assessment Report  
Findings and  
Recommendations

# JRS Priorities

*Where the greater need is*

*Where the more severe misery and suffering are*

*Where the poorest among the poor*

*With the most vulnerable*

*With the most forgotten, invisible and abandoned people by  
other organisations are*

*Where the more universal good and greatest fruits are followed  
in our service, etc.*

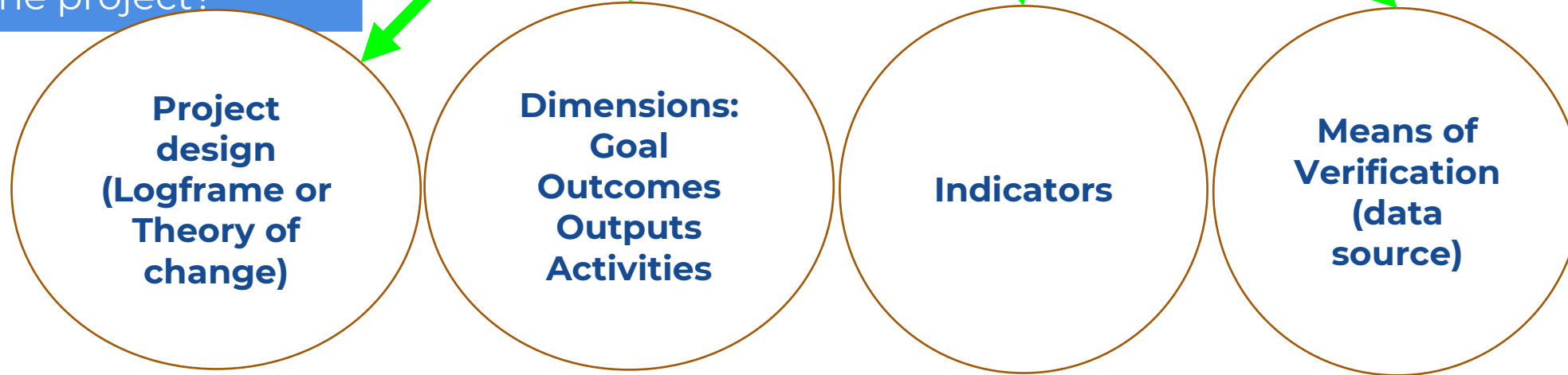
(Source: Fr Mark Raper SJ, "Criteria and priorities of JRS", *Everybody's Challenge*, p. 115)

## WHAT IS the organization GOING TO DO?

- What is the **goal, objectives, indicators** and **activities**?
- How much does the **project cost**?
- How do we **fund** the project?

# PLANNING

Output: Annual Plan, Project Proposal (planned activities and budget)



# IMPLEMENTING / MONITORING

***WHAT IS the org.  
DOING?***

- What **activities** is org. conducting?
- Is org. **responding to people's needs?**

Output:  
Implem  
entation  
and  
Project  
Report

**Reporting  
(monthly, 6  
months and  
annual)**

**Dimensions:  
Goal  
Outcomes  
Outputs  
Activities**

**Indicators**

**Means of  
Verification**

# Zoom in!



**Dimensions:**  
**Goal (Impact)**  
**Outcomes**  
**Outputs**  
**Activities**

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- Answer the following questions.
- Choose True or False

## GOAL/Impact

They make up **the “big picture” of the changes that you are working towards** but that your activities alone may not achieve. They represent the underlying aim of your work and justify the intervention.

Impacts are the **primary long-term effects of an intervention**, be they positive or negative, direct or indirect, intended or unintended.

## OUTCOME

- **Immediate outcome (short term)**

an increase in awareness/skills of... or access to... among beneficiaries

- **Intermediate outcome (medium term)**

change of behavior or practice level among people served

- **Ultimate outcome (long term)**

the 'reason of being' of a project and takes the form of a sustainable change of state among people served.

## OUTPUT

**Outputs:** Direct products or services of the activities of a project (e.g., Trained teachers, meeting participants, people receiving visits, etc.) .

## Activity

**Activities:** Actions/processes taken, or work performed through which inputs are mobilized to produce outputs (e.g., trainings, meetings, visits, counselling activities/sessions).

# EVALUATION

## *WHAT HAS the organization DONE?*

- Did the org. **respond to** people's **needs**?
- What where the **lessons learnt** for org.?

Output: Findings and Recommendations, Lesson Learned

Evaluation  
process



# Monitoring VS Evaluation

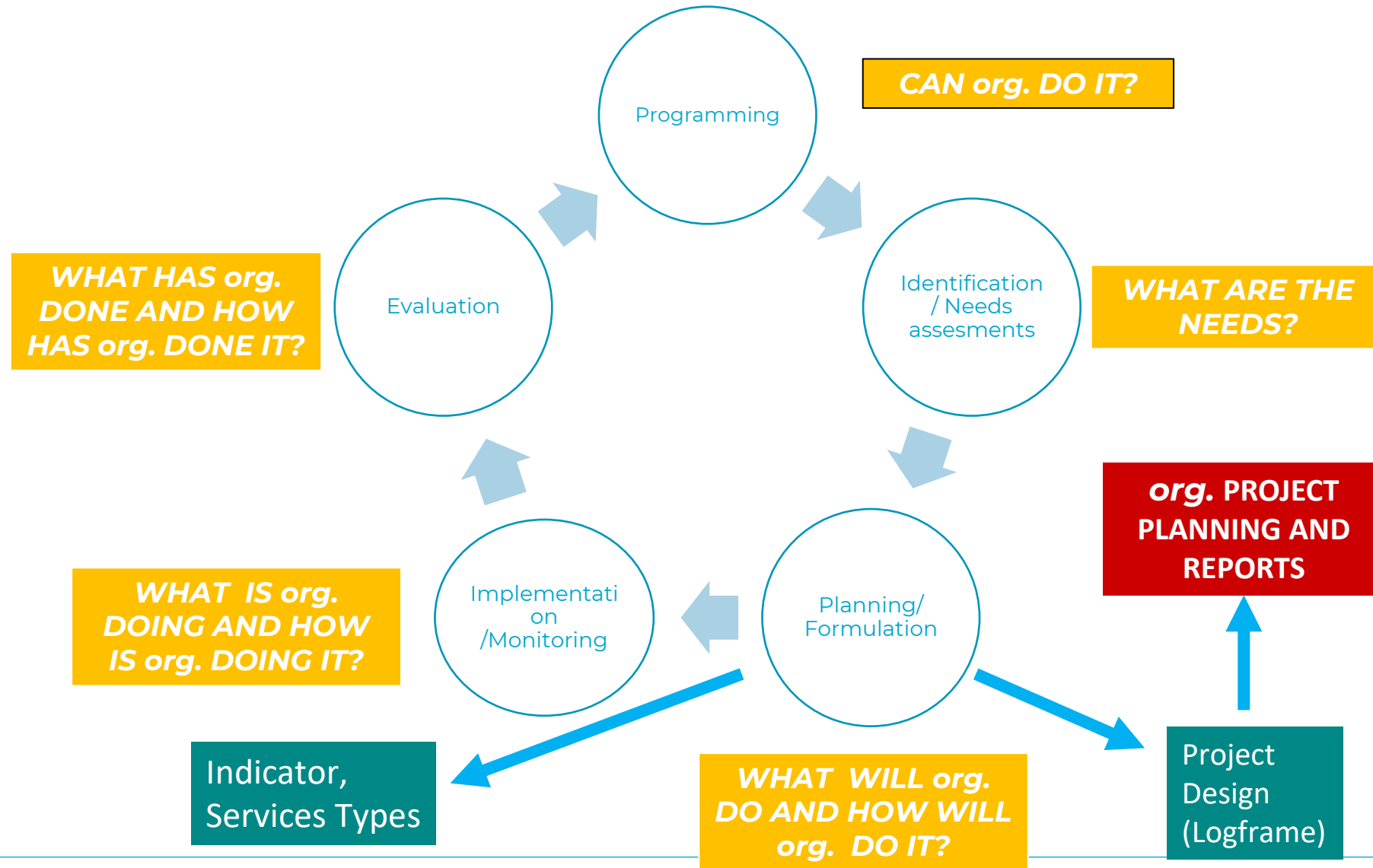
## Monitoring

- Continuously (throughout the project cycle)
- Tracking progress against indicators
- Measure: use of input, activities, output
- To make minor changes

## Evaluations

- Occasionally (at the end or beyond the phase of project)
- In-dept analysis
- Measure: long-term impact + sustainability
- To make MAJOR changes in future work
- JRS Evaluation = External (outside organization or project)

# PROJECT CYCLE MANAGEMENT



# Feedback Session

- Clarifications
- Positive Feedback
- Suggestions (specific and constructive)

# Group Activity

- Group: Group 1: Project Coordinators, Group 2: Field-based position, Group 3: Others.
- Each group will discuss and answer questions as follows.
  - 1) Which PCM phase am I currently involved in? How?
  - 2) Which PCM phase should I be more involved in? Why?
  - 3) How can I work together with my colleagues in the project?

*\*\*\*Assign 1 note taker , 1 facilitator and 1 presenter\*\*\**

- 20 mins for group work