



**PEACEBUILDING FUND (PBF)
ANNUAL PROGRAMME¹ NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT
REPORTING PERIOD: 1 JANUARY – 31 DECEMBER 2013**

Programme Title & Project Number	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programme Title: Support to Women’s Peacebuilding in South Sudan. Programme Number (if applicable): PBF/IRF-51 MPTF Office Project Reference Number: 82725 	
Participating Organization(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizations that have received direct funding from the MPTF Office under this programme. UN WOMEN 	
Programme/Project Cost (US\$)	
MPTF/JP Contribution:	531,790
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> by Agency (if applicable)USD 	
Agency Contribution	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> by Agency (if applicable) 	
Government Contribution (if applicable)	
Other Contributions (donors) (if applicable)	
TOTAL:	
Programme Assessment/Review/Mid-Term Eval.	
Assessment/Review - if applicable <i>please attach</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Date: <i>dd.mm.yyyy</i>	
Mid-Term Evaluation Report – if applicable <i>please attach</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Date: <i>dd.mm.yyyy</i>	

Country, Locality(s), Priority Area(s) / Strategic Results²
(if applicable) Country/Region: South Sudan / Eastern Equatoria State
Priority area/ strategic results <i>Area 2: Promote Coexistence and Peaceful Resolution of Conflict, Outcome 5: National reconciliation processes that promote culture inclusion and peaceful resolution of conflict addressed, including responsible media.</i>
Implementing Partners
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National counterparts (government, private, NGOs & others) and other International Organizations. UN WOMEN / UNDP
Programme Duration
Overall Duration (months) 24 months
Start Date ³ (<i>dd.mm.yyyy</i>) February 2012
Original End Date ⁴ (<i>dd.mm.yyyy</i>) 30th January 2014
Current End date ⁵ (<i>dd.mm.yyyy</i>) 30th January 2014.
Actual end date 30th January 2015
Report Submitted By
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¹ The term “programme” is used for programmes, joint programmes and projects.

² Strategic Results, as formulated in the Performance Management Plan (PMP) for the PBF, Priority Plan or project document;

³ The start date is the date of the first transfer of the funds from the MPTF Office as Administrative Agent. Transfer date is available on the [MPTF Office GATEWAY](#)

⁴ As per approval of the original project document by the relevant decision-making body/Steering Committee.

⁵ If there has been an extension, then the revised, approved end date should be reflected here. If there has been no extension approved, then the current end date is the same as the original end date. The end date is the same as the operational closure date which is when all activities for which a Participating Organization is responsible under an approved MPTF / JP have been completed. As per the MOU, agencies are to notify the MPTF Office when a programme completes its operational activities.

NARRATIVE REPORT FORMAT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Peacebuilding processes provide a critical opportunity to reshape the political, security and broader socio-economic landscape of South Sudan. However, women's participation in mitigating conflicts, mediating disputes and building trust have long been neglected in processes to building peace. The PBF project focuses on strengthening and enhancing community-based conflict mitigation mechanisms and peacebuilding initiatives in Eastern Equatoria. Eastern Equatoria State is selected as pilot project site due to the high level of Violence Against Women as reflected in the UNDP community consultation reports conducted across the 10 states.

The PBF agreement was signed in April 2012, however the project funds were not received by the UN Women South Sudan Country Office until November 2012. The delay in resource disbursement necessitated a rephasing of activities to 2013. Therefore this report covers a three-month period of project implementation, January to March 2013.

To date, a women's needs assessment has been undertaken in Ikwotos County to generate information and inform the livelihood strategy for Eastern Equatoria. Specifically the assessment looked into whether women had access to economic opportunities and business enterprises including all forms of Income Generating Activities (IGAs) and employment generation. The assessment established enterprises/businesses owned by women in Ikwotos, challenges faced and how the project would best address those challenges. Results from this needs assessment would help the programme to make evidence-based decisions and informed choices. The results have further provided a design and sequencing of alternative options that are being undertaken by UN Women and UNDP.

A baseline survey to ascertain security threats to women is recently completed in four counties of Eastern Equatoria (Magwi, Lopa, Ikwotos and Torit). Using a combination of community consultations, data collection, focus group discussions and interviews with Government officials, CSOs and communities women and men, the survey will establish a detailed and comprehensive picture of the security situation of women in Eastern Equatoria State.

I. Purpose

The overall aim of the intervention is to promote Peaceful Coexistence and Peaceful Resolution of Conflict. This would be achieved through National Reconciliation Processes that promote culture of inclusion and peaceful resolution of conflicts are strengthened and the most urgent human rights legacies of the conflict addressed, including responsible media. Though Gender responsiveness of community driven conflict resolution mechanism improved. The project is piloting with new approach and mechanism to promote peace and security for women and girls at Payam in Eastern Equatoria State with the aim of promoting sustainable development. The approach will be replicated at Payam and Boma level after refinement and improvements based on the lessons learned in implementing the pilot phase.

II. Results

- Not results reported at this stage of early project implementation.

i) Narrative reporting on results:

Nil

- **Outcomes:**

Nil

- **Outputs (January – March 2013):**

- A women's needs assessment has been undertaken in Ikwotos County to generate information and inform the livelihood strategy for Eastern Equatoria. Specifically the assessment looked into whether women had access to economic opportunities business enterprises (or opportunities?) including all forms of Income Generating Activities (IGAs). The assessment established enterprises/businesses owned by women in Ikwotos, challenges faced and how the project would best address those challenges. Results from this needs assessment would help the program to make evidence-based decisions and informed choices. The results have further provided a design and sequencing of alternative options that are being undertaken by UN Women and UNDP.
- A Security Baseline Survey was completed to ascertain security threats to women is currently being undertaken in four counties of Eastern Equatoria (Magwi, Lopa, Ikwotos and Torit). Using a combination of community consultations, data collection, focus group discussions and interviews with government officials, CSOs and community women and men, the survey will establish a detailed and comprehensive picture of the security situation of women in Eastern Equatoria.
- **Explain, if any delays in implementation, challenges, lessons learned & best practices:**
Delay in project funds transfer to South Sudan UN Women Country Office bank account has hampered the....The funds were received in November 2012, despite the contract signing in 19th of April 2012. The delay in resource disbursement necessitated the rephasal of activities and funds to 2013. Therefore it has been only three month in actual project implementation starting in January 2013.

Qualitative assessment:

ii) Indicator Based Performance Assessment:

Using the **Programme Results Framework from the Priority Plan, or Logframe of the Project Document** - provide an update on the achievement of indicators at both the output and outcome level in the table below. Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, clear explanation should be given explaining why, as well as plans on how and when this data will be collected.

	<u>Achieved</u> Indicator Targets	Reasons for Variance with Planned Target (if any)	Source of Verification
<p>Outcome 1</p> <p>National Reconciliation Processes that promote culture of inclusion and peaceful resolution of conflicts are strengthened and most urgent human rights legacies of the conflict addressed, including responsible media.</p> <p>Indicator: Number and % of peacebuilding activities that target women and girls</p> <p>Baseline: TBD:10% above baseline</p> <p>Planned Target: Number of women participating in peace and security dialogues and planning</p>	Nil	Nil	Nil
<p>Output 1.1 Gender Responsiveness of community driven conflict resolution mechanism improved</p> <p>Indicator 1.1.1.Provision of technical support on on Gender and peacebuilding.</p> <p>Baseline: Completed</p> <p>Planned Target:</p> <p>Indicator 1.1.2</p> <p>Baseline:</p> <p>Planned Target:</p>	<p>Baseline survey consultations finalized and data analysis underway</p> <p>Women’s needs assessment has been undertaken in Ikwotos County to generate information and inform the livelihood strategy for Eastern Equatoria.</p>		<p>Mission report on Baseline consultations. (Awaiting final report)</p> <p>Economic Needs Assessment Report</p>

Output 1.2 Indicator 1.2.1 Baseline: Planned Target:			
	Indicator 1.2.2 Baseline: Planned Target:		

iii) Success Story

- Project currently in early implementation stage. Success story to be documented and reported in December 2013.
- Attachment of supporting documents, including photos with captions, news items etc, is strongly encouraged. The MPTF Office will select stories and photos to feature in the Consolidated Annual Report.

Conflict dynamics being addressed: Project in Early implementation stage

Project Interventions: -

Result: - Currently no measurable results are reported

III. Monitoring Arrangements

- Provide details on the monitoring system(s) that are being used and how you identify and incorporate lessons learned into the ongoing programme, including corrective actions that may have been taken.
- Report on any assessments, evaluations or studies undertaken.

Programmatic Revisions (if applicable) The PBF agreement was signed in April 2012, however the project funds were not received by the UN Women South Sudan Country Office until November 2012. The delay in resource disbursement necessitated a rephasal of activities to 2013. Therefore this report covers a three-month period of project implementation, January to March 2013.

V. Resources (Optional)

- Provide any information on financial management, procurement and human resources.
- Indicate if the Project mobilized any additional resources or interventions from other partners.