



PEACEBUILDING FUND
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PROJECT HALF YEARLY PROGRESS UPDATE

AS OF JANUARY – JUNE 2013

Project No & Title:	PBF/IRF/58 Empowering Women for Peace & Recovery in East Sudan (83818)		
Recipient Organization(s)¹:	UN Women /ILO		
Implementing Partners (Government, UN agencies, NGOs etc)	State ministers of Social Welfare , State Universities , NGOs/CSOs/CBOs		
Location:	Gadarif and Kassala States ,Eastern Sudan		
Total Approved Budget²	348,285		
Funds Committed³	180,000	% of funds committed / total approved budget:	
Expenditure⁴:	150,000	% of expenditure / total budget: (Delivery rate)	
Project Approval Date:	2012	Possible delay in operational closure date (Number of months)	
Project Start Date:	1 August 2012		
Expected Operational Project Closure Date:	31 August 2013		
PBF Outcome Area⁵	Outcome Area (from Priority Plan or Project Document): <i>Early revitalization of the economy, e.g. through promotion of partnerships with private sector to develop micro enterprises and youth employment schemes; revitalizing agricultural sector, technical support to design more inclusive and sustainable policies for the management of natural resources, etc</i>		
Qualitative assessment of achievements and challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Provide a qualitative assessment of the level of progress towards overall achievements of the Project at both the outcome and output level</i> <p><i>On the ILO's side , implementation on</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Use the project indicators and target for the measuring of achievements (see target table at the end)</i> 		

¹ Please note that where there are multiple agencies, only one consolidated project report should be submitted.

² Approved budget should be the amount transferred to Recipient Organisations

³ Funds committed are defined as the commitments made through legal contracts for services and works according to the financial regulations and procedures of the Recipient Organisations.

⁴ Actual payments (contracts, services, works) made on commitments.

⁵ Reference to be made to outcomes of the Priority Plan or PBF Performance Management Plan (PMP)

- *What are the major - expected and/or unexpected – highlights of results?*
- *commitment of the government to support women’s empowerment agenda at the state and federal level , number of trainers are equipped with enough knowledge to expand in the area , better understanding to the women economic empowerment with enhancement. Did the results impact the causes and drivers of conflict?*

Yes as the trend used was to bring different villages and tribes talking about one issue , settlement and economic empowerment.

Were there catalytic effects – additional funding commitments or unleashing peace relevant processes? No, at this stage , but for sure there is arise need to finish the work and expand to other villages , plus counseling and mentoring for the groups that has been supported.

- *What are the risks / challenges – and how to address them?*

Lack of education and the segregated data about women , plus the shredded villages which scatter in a very far distances from the center of the state that makes reaching them difficult especially that ILO does not own a vehicle , this could be addressed by reaching more groups and add to the training packages some tools to rase awareness in life skills , as well train more locals to reach as far areas with a specified vehicle.

- *What can be expected as additional results by the end of year?*
- *Buy in from community leaders and relevant community leaders and stakeholder for enhancing role of women in tribal economy and land tenure systems*
- *Recommendations generated for value addition and value chain linkages for women entrepreneurs*
- *Relevant state and reconstruction planning actors sensitized on gender sensitive planning and capacity built to influence state reconstruction plans*
- *Is there any need to adjust project strategies?*

No

INDICATOR BASED PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT: *Using the Programme Results Framework from the Project Document - provide an update on the achievement of indicators at both the outcome and output 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.*

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baselines	Planned Indicator Targets	Achieved Indicator Targets	Reasons for Variance (if any)	Risks
Outcome 1⁶	Indicator	<p><i>Increased investment of private sector, e.g. numbers of new jobs and businesses created for women</i></p> <p><i>Microfinance services are accessible to women.</i></p> <p><i>Increased overt role of women in effective resolution of land disputes (property rights) to resume agricultural production</i></p> <p><i>Equal rights to economic assets for women is clearly advocated.</i></p>				

⁶ Either country relevant (from the Priority Plan or Project Document) or PMP specific.

Output 1.1	Indicator 1.1.1	<i>Livelihoods of conflict affected vulnerable households/women stabilized through income generation and vocational training</i>	<i>A rapid assessment for livelihoods in the targeted locations to identify existing and potential market opportunities</i>	A rapid assessment was conducted by a national consultant in January 2013 , the report was shared with partners and Government		
		<i>No. of women, men and households provided with information and grants;</i>	<i>Building national/local capacity of female trainers through 2 ToTs on Get Ahead in the two locations (Gadaref & Kassala States) including the preparation of simplified business plans</i>	<i>2 ToT sessions was conducted in December 2012 in two ILO packages – Entrepreneurship in agro businesses – Get Ahead for women 25 participants targeted from each state , have been equipped to train women entrepreneurs in different villages , target groups was a mix of women and ment from different affiliations Gov , Academia , NGOs , CBOs</i>		
		<i>No. of affected women (returnees, rural and nomad) benefitting from vocational (skills development) training;</i>	<i>-Training of women entrepreneurs on starting income generating activities (IGAs)</i>	10 training sessions was conducted in the two targeted areas by the participants from the ToTs , training activities was		

				conducted in different location / villages , a number of 300 woman was trained in both locations		
			<i>Establish linkages with NGOs/ Institutions providing micro credit to set up revolving funds for trained entrepreneurs</i>	48 women in the two targeted location was trained on technical skills and was linked to funding institutions besides getting grants from ILO on their suggested plans		
		<i>Number of men sensitized to project through advocacy for redress to structural barriers against women's economic empowerment</i>	Training package designed by academic institution to target community and state stakeholders to sensitize on women's role in the economy	Ongoing		
Output 2	Indicator 2.1	<i>No. of state plans and projects integrate women's priorities and needs</i>	Technical support provided to relevant state	Ongoing		
	Indicator 2.2	<i>No. of decision makers, especially men, sensitized on gender and reconstruction approaches</i>	Authorities from relevant state level institutions and from East reconstruction fund to be sensitized in a workshop on	Ongoing		

			reconstruction approaches.			
Output 3	Indicator 3.1	<i>No. of tribal and community leaders championing for women economic rights</i>	Workshops targeting community leaders to sensitize and to soliciting recommendations for enhancing women's role in the economy and stimulating peace building and recovery	Ongoing		
	Indicator 3.2	<i>No. of men and youth involved in fora addressing masculinities and non-violent approaches</i>				
		<i>No. of community initiatives supporting women economic empowerment</i>				
		<i>Baseline study on women in the tribal economy and land tenure system completed</i>	Research institute to conduct baseline study	Ongoing		
Output 4	Indicator 4.1	<i>Design of a clear organigram for the project and link to CO</i>				

	Indicator 4.2	<i>Recruitment of human resources (consultants) for the project</i>		Ongoing		
		<i>Development of an M & E system;</i>				
		<i>Communication strategy for the project undertaken two months after project startup date.</i>				